



AMENDMENT – THA BY-LAWS 2011

PART 2 ANNUAL, SUBSCRIPTION AND PLAYING FEES

2.1 ACCESS FEE, THA REGISTRATION FEE (including THA affiliation fee, insurance and Hockey Queensland registration fee)

The Board of Directors may impose an access fee at a rate determined by the Board of Directors. This will be notified in writing to all affiliated clubs prior to the commencement of the senior premiership competition.

The player's member club or sub-association will pay the access fee to the Association.

The access fee will be charged by calculating the average player number for each member club and sub-association over the previous three years multiplied by the access fee set by the Board of Directors. Each member clubs total player access fee will be divided into five equal payments with the fifth final payment being adjusted, either plus or minus, to account for the current years actual registered players.

The invoices for each of the five payments will be due on:

- 21 April;
- 21 May;
- 21 June;
- 21 July;
- 21 August.

The THA registration fee will comprise Insurance, Hockey Queensland registration fee and a THA affiliation fee. The amount for insurance and Hockey Queensland registration fee will be set annually by the Board of Directors after Hockey Queensland has decided the level of its registration fees and insurance payments and prior to the commencement of the senior premiership competition.

The Board of Directors may impose a THA Affiliation Fee at a rate determined by the Board of Directors. This will be notified in writing to all affiliated clubs prior to the commencement of the senior premiership competition.

The player's member club or sub-association will pay the player's THA registration fee to the Association.

The THA registration fee will be charged by calculating the average player number for each member club over the previous three years multiplied by the rate set by the Board of Directors. Each member clubs total insurance and Hockey Queensland registration fee will be divided into three equal payments with the third final payment being adjusted, either plus or minus, to account for the current years actual registered players.

The invoices for each of the three payments will be due on:

- 30 April;
- 31 May;
- 30 June.

2.2 ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FEE

Each player who is eighteen (18) years or older must apply to become an Ordinary Member of the Association and pay an annual Association membership fee. Membership shall be affected either on or before the first game of a premiership competition or the day of his/her turning eighteen (18).

The amount of the Association membership fee shall be established by Board of Directors. This will be notified in writing to all affiliated clubs prior to the commencement of the senior premiership competition.

The player's member club or sub-association will pay the player's Association membership fee to the Association.

The Association membership fee will be charged by calculating the average number of players over the age of 18 for each member club over the previous three years multiplied by the rate set by the Board of Directors. Each member clubs total Association membership fee will be divided into three equal payments

with the third final payment being adjusted, either plus or minus, to account for the current years actual registered players.

The invoices for each of the three payments will be due on:

- 30 April;
- 31 May;
- 30 June.

2.3 PLAYING FIELD USAGE FEES

The Board of Directors may impose field usage fees for the use of the grass and artificial playing fields that are part of the Toowoomba Hockey Centre, Clyde Park.

These fees shall apply to each club and sub-association and to other bodies that use these facilities.

The amount of playing field usage fees shall be determined by the Board of Directors and paid on receipt of an official invoice. This will be notified in writing to all affiliated clubs prior to the commencement of the senior premiership competition.

Field usage fees shall be payable no later than fourteen (14) days following the issuance of an invoice.

2.4 ANNUAL FEE

The Board of Directors may impose an annual fee for each member club or sub-association to assist in funding either the hockey program or capital improvements to the hockey facilities. The Board of Directors of the Association shall forward details of the amount of such annual fee to each club and sub-association no later than fourteen (14) days following the date of adoption at a general meeting. The annual fee shall be paid in the manner determined by the Board of Directors.

2.5 FEES IN ARREARS

2.5.1 Access Fee, THA Registration Fee, Association Membership Fee and Playing Field Usage Fees

In the case of any club failing to pay the access fee, THA registration fee, Association membership fee and playing field usage fee before the due date as specified by the Board of Directors, that club will be deemed to have forfeited all matches won.

The forfeited matches will continue during the period that such fees remain unpaid.

The exception to this is if prior arrangements have been made with the Board of Directors for an extension of the time for payment.

2.5.2 Player Registration and Player Association Fees

In the case of any THA fees being unpaid by the due date specified by the Board of Directors, the player concerned shall be ineligible to participate in a premiership competition game.

2.6 FORFEITURE PAYMENTS

In the event of any team forfeiting a premiership competition match, the club concerned shall pay to the Association a forfeiture payment, which shall be an amount equal to the total cost of the playing field usage fees for that game.

The exception to the payment of a forfeiture payment shall be in the case of a 'Notified Forfeit' where a club provides an electronic notification in the form of an e-mail to office@toowoombahockey.com.au and informs the Chair of the Toowoomba Hockey Committee either in writing or in person at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled match that it will be unable to play the match for just cause. Under these just cause circumstances there will be no fees paid by either club. The Toowoomba Hockey Committee will determine at their absolute discretion whether the just cause is acceptable or unacceptable.

However, the 'Notified Forfeit' ruling will not apply to teams participating in the men's and women's first divisions. Teams in these divisions are required to inform the Association by providing an electronic notification in the form of an e-mail to office@toowoombahockey.com.au and inform the Chair of the Toowoomba Hockey Committee either in writing or in person at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled match that it will be unable to play. Teams forfeiting in the first divisions, notified or otherwise, will have a fine of \$250 imposed. All attempts must be made, in liaison with the Toowoomba Hockey Committee, to avoid such forfeits.