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## B12 KARTING AUSTRALIA LIFE MEMBERSHIP, HONORS AND AWARDS

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### Introduction

By establishing a relevant Honors and Awards program, Karting Australia not only immortalises our unsung heroes, but also fosters a greater sense of pride and camaraderie in the Australian Karting community. It is an integral component in the Karting Australia 'Volunteer Management Framework' and 'Strategic Plan'.

This Bylaw sets out the criteria and nomination requirements for the four highest honours bestowed by Karting Australia: Life Membership, the Lifetime Achievement Award, the Impact On Karting Award and Service Awards.

Recognising the exceptional commitment, leadership, and passion that individuals have demonstrated in their contribution to Australian karting. These awards represent the pinnacle of acknowledgement from Karting Australia.

**Life Membership** is awarded by the Member States upon recommendation of the Board to individuals whose accomplishments in karting signify exceptional leadership, commitment, and passion. Recipients of this honour have significantly enhanced the value and standing of Australian karting. Nominations are evaluated on stringent criteria, which ensures that this prestigious award is reserved for those who have truly made an indelible mark on the sport.

**Karting Australia Lifetime Achievement Award** recognises those who have reached the pinnacle of recognition in karting on a national basis. This award serves to acknowledge outstanding contributions to the sport, including exceptional achievements, notable innovations, or significant advancements in the field.

**Karting Australia Impact On Karting Award** recognises those whose achievements in karting have been an outstanding individual contribution, and demonstrated leadership, commitment and passion which has added greatly to the value and stature of Australian karting on a state and/or national basis.

**Karting Australia Service Award** is conferred upon a member who has demonstrated diligent service at the national level over specified periods of time. Nominees for this award must have consistently been involved in national level karting officiating, events, or activities for a minimum of five (5) years. These individuals are characterised by a high level of dedication and made an unwavering commitment to the sport making them deserving of this acknowledgment.

These Awards and Honors form an essential part of our commitment to recognising and honouring the efforts of those who devote themselves to the growth and elevation of karting in Australia. It is our belief that such recognition motivates and inspires both the awardees and their peers, fostering a culture of excellence and achievement within the Karting Australia community.

Recognising excellence, length, and quality of service within the sport is crucial, as it instils a culture of striving for the best, thereby uplifting the overall standard of Australian Karting.

## CRITERIA, NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING:

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF KARTING AUSTRALIA

Life Membership represents a prestigious recognition bestowed upon those individuals who are of good standing and have demonstrated an exceptional degree of dedication and service to karting in Australia and Karting Australia. The rigorous selection process and evaluation standards guarantee that this distinguished honour is conferred solely upon the most meritorious members of the Karting Australia fraternity.

#### Criteria for Life Membership

1. **Service Duration:** The nominee must have been actively involved in karting in Australia for at least **8 years**, demonstrating sustained and significant service to the karting community.
2. **Contribution:** The nominee must have made a positive, and enduring impact on the sport. This could be at the local, regional, or national level.
3. **Integrity:** The nominee must have always acted with honesty and integrity, upholding the values of Karting Australia, and never having been found guilty of a severe violation of the rules or code of conduct.
4. **Innovation:** The nominee has shown consistent dedication towards the growth, development, or enhancement of karting in Australia.
5. **Leadership:** The nominee has shown exemplary leadership and has acted as a role model to others within the karting community.

#### Nomination Requirements

1. Nominations can be made by any Director, the CEO, any existing member of Karting Australia, including Individual Members and Life Members.
2. Nominations must be submitted in writing using the online form to the Karting Australia Board of Directors and should include a detailed account of the nominee's service and contributions to karting.
3. Nominations should include evidence of the nominee's contributions, which might be in the form of CMC/KOMP records, newspaper articles, photographs, testimonies, or other relevant documents.
4. Nominations should be seconded by at least two other members of Karting Australia.
5. Nominations must be received by the Board at least three months prior to the Annual General Meeting of Karting Australia.

#### Procedure for Awarding Life Membership

1. The Karting Australia Board of Directors reviews all nominations.
2. Each nomination is evaluated against the established criteria. The Board will contact the referees for more information if required.
3. The Board will vote on each nominee. A nominee must receive votes from at least two-thirds of the Board to be recommended to the Member States to be granted life membership.
4. The list of recommended nominees will be brought before the next Annual General Meeting of Karting Australia.
5. The Member States will vote on each recommended nominee. A recommended nominee must receive votes from at least 51% of the Member States to be granted life membership.
6. Successful nominees will be notified by the Board and invited to the annual Karting Australia Awards ceremony where they will be officially awarded their life membership.
7. The decision of the Board is final, and no discussions regarding the decision will be entered into post-judgement.

## CRITERIA, NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING:

### KARTING AUSTRALIA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Karting Australia Lifetime Achievement Award represents the pinnacle of recognition any individual can receive from Karting Australia. There is a strict limit of no more than one (1) Lifetime Achievement Award to be bestowed annually. The Board is responsible for granting this Honor in acknowledgement of an individual's exceptional contribution and longstanding service towards the growth and management of Australian karting on a national scale.

Nominees worthy of this prestigious award must be of good standing, have a history of extensive service, evidence of notable accomplishments at the highest echelons, and a distinct and surpassing contribution to the sport of karting.

#### Criteria for the Lifetime Achievement Award

1. **Service Duration:** The nominee must have been actively involved in karting in Australia for at least twelve (12) years, demonstrating sustained and outstanding service to the karting community.
2. **Contribution:** The nominee must have made a profound, positive, and enduring impact on the sport. This must be at the national level.
3. **Integrity:** The nominee must have always acted with honesty and integrity, upholding the values of Karting Australia, and never having been found guilty of a severe violation of the rules or code of conduct.
4. **Innovation:** The nominee has shown consistent dedication towards the growth, development, or enhancement of karting in Australia.
5. **Leadership:** The nominee has shown exemplary leadership and has acted as a role model to others within the karting community.

#### Nomination Requirements

1. Nominations can be made by any Director, the CEO, any existing member of Karting Australia, including Individual Members and Life Members.
2. Nominations must be submitted in writing using the online form to the Karting Australia Board of Directors and should include a detailed account of the nominee's service and contributions to karting.
3. Nominations should include evidence of the nominee's contributions, which might be in the form of CMC/KOMP records, newspaper articles, photographs, testimonies, etc.
4. Nominations should be seconded by at least two other members of Karting Australia.
5. Nominations must be received by the Board by no later than 28 February in the year that the award will be made.

#### Procedure for Awarding the Lifetime Achievement Award

1. The Karting Australia Board of Directors reviews all nominations.
2. Each nomination is evaluated against the established criteria. The Board will contact the referees for more information if required.
3. The Board will vote on each nominee. A nominee must receive votes from at least two-thirds of the Board to be granted the Award Of Merit.
4. Successful nominee will be notified by the Board and invited to the annual Karting Australia Awards ceremony where they will be officially awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award.
5. The decision of the Board is final, and no discussions regarding the decision will be entered into post-judgement.

## CRITERIA, NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING:

### KARTING AUSTRALIA IMPACT ON KARTING AWARD

The Karting Australia Impact on Karting Award will be awarded by the Board to a person or persons who is of good standing and whose achievements in karting have demonstrated leadership, commitment and passion which has added greatly to the value and stature of Australian karting. It is awarded by the Board for outstanding individual contribution and duration of service to the development and administration of Australian karting, on a state and/or national basis.

Nominees worthy of this award must have showcased considerable positive impact on karting, a longstanding dedication to service, significant accomplishments at either State or National levels, and contributions to karting that are remarkably superior to others.

#### Criteria for the Impact On Karting Award

1. **Service Duration:** The nominee may have been actively involved in karting in Australia for at least ten **(10) years**, demonstrating sustained and significant service to the karting community.
2. **Contribution:** The nominee must have made a significant, positive, and enduring impact on the sport on a state and/or national basis.
3. **Integrity:** The nominee must have always acted with honesty and integrity, upholding the values of Karting Australia, and never having been found guilty of a severe violation of the rules or code of conduct.
4. **Innovation:** The nominee has shown consistent dedication towards the growth, development, or enhancement of karting in Australia.
5. **Leadership:** The nominee has shown exemplary leadership and has acted as a role model to others within the karting community.

#### Nomination Requirements

1. Nominations can be made by any Director, the CEO, any existing member of Karting Australia, including Individual Members and Life Members.
2. Nominations must be submitted in writing using the online form to the Karting Australia Board of Directors and should include a detailed account of the nominee's service and contributions to karting.
3. Nominations should include evidence of the nominee's contributions, which might be in the form of CMC/KOMP records, newspaper articles, photographs, testimonies, etc.
4. Nominations should be seconded by at least two other members of Karting Australia.
5. Nominations must be received by the Board by no later than 28 February in the year that the award will be made.

#### Procedure for Awarding the Impact on Karting Award

1. The Karting Australia Board of Directors reviews all nominations.
2. Each nomination is evaluated against the established criteria. The Board will contact the referees for more information if required.
3. The Board will vote on each nominee. A nominee must receive votes from at least two-thirds of the Board to be granted the Impact on Karting Award.
4. Successful nominee will be notified by the Board and invited to the annual Karting Australia Awards ceremony where they will be officially awarded the Award Of Merit.
5. The decision of the Board is final, and no discussions regarding the decision will be entered into post-judgement.

## CRITERIA, NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR AWARDING:

### KARTING AUSTRALIA SERVICE AWARD

The Karting Australia Service Award is awarded for service to Australian Karting at the National Level.

A nominee for the KA Service Award must be a member of good standing who has demonstrated diligent service to the sport by being involved in National Level Karting officiating, events and/or activities on a continual basis and by the display of a high level of dedication to the sport over designated periods of time.

To be made at 5-year increments, starting at 5 years, then 10 years, 15 years, 20 years and 25 years.

#### Criteria for Service Award

1. **Service Duration:** The nominee should have been actively involved in karting in Australia for at least:
  - 5 years for 5 Year Award;
  - 10 years for the 10 Year Award;
  - 15 years for the 15 Year Award;
  - 20 years for the 20 Year Award;
  - 25 years for the 25 Year Award.and have demonstrated sustained and significant service to the karting community.
2. **Contribution:** The nominee must have made a positive impact on the sport at the national level.
3. **Integrity:** The nominee must have always acted with honesty and integrity, upholding the values of Karting Australia, and never having been found guilty of a severe violation of the rules or code of conduct.
4. **Innovation:** The nominee has shown consistent dedication towards the growth, development, or enhancement of karting in Australia.
5. **Leadership:** The nominee has shown leadership and has acted as a role model to others within the karting community.

#### Nomination Requirements

1. Nominations can be made by the CEO, and any existing member of Karting Australia, including Individual Members and Life Members.
2. Nominations must be submitted in writing using the online form to the Karting Australia Board of Directors and should include a detailed account of the nominee's service to karting at the National level and evidence of achievement of the nominee's service duration which should include CMS/KOMP and may include records, newspaper articles, photographs, testimonies, etc.
3. Nominations must be received by the Board by no later than 28 February in the year that the award will be made.

#### Procedure for Awarding the Service Award

1. The Karting Australia Board of Directors reviews all nominations.
2. Each nomination is evaluated against the established criteria.
3. The Board will vote on each nominee. A nominee must receive votes from at least two-thirds of the Board to be granted the Service Award.
4. The decision of the Board is final, and no discussions regarding the decision will be entered into post-judgement.

#### State Service Awards

State Associations are recommended to follow the same criteria, nomination requirements and procedures with Nominations being considered by each State Executive.