

Policy Number	D.4
Policy Name	Membership
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See also Constitution point 6 Membership

1. Policy
  - 1.1. GBWA values their partnership with GBA and will therefore align their membership policies with those of GBA.
  - 1.2. GBWA members will automatically be members of GBA as per the GBA constitution.
  - 1.3. GBWA values the importance of well trained, resourced and supported Leaders in their companies.
2. People
  - 2.1. State Commissioner is responsible
    - 2.1.1. To notify the Board of changes to the National Constitution and/or Policies that reflect a change in the membership requirements of GBA.
  - 2.2. The Board is responsible to
    - 2.2.1. Recommend changes to the Constitution or make changes to the Policies in line with GBA changes.
  - 2.3. Leadership members are responsible to
    - 2.3.1. Continue their spiritual development and regularly attend church.
    - 2.3.2. Maintain their GB training and other training as appropriate.
    - 2.3.3. Remain accountable to and under the authority of the partner church.
3. Procedures
  - 3.1. All Leaders are responsible for the payment of their State, National, Fellowship and International fees as set by these bodies. These fees will be invoiced directly to the company or in the case of Supernumerary Leaders, directly to the Leader.
  - 3.2. Captains (Voting Members – see Constitution 6.1)
    - 3.2.1. Leaders who are appointed by the partner church to be the Captain of their company.
    - 3.2.2. Must complete Level 2 training before taking on this position and continue personal and spiritual development. They remain accountable to the partner church.
  - 3.3. Leadership members (Constitution 6.2)
    - 3.3.1. Non-voting members who are over 18 years of age, have completed Level 2 training and have their names on the State register and a company roll.
  - 3.4. Assistant Leadership Members (Constitution 6.2)
    - 3.4.1. Non-voting members who are over the age of 18, have their names on the State register and a company roll and
      - have only completed Level 1 training or
      - Do not meet the partner church requirements for a full leadership role.
  - 3.5. Supernumerary Leaders

- 3.5.1. Leadership members who are not active in a company and whose name does not appear on a company roll, may continue to be a non-voting member only if they hold an International, National, State or Regional position, including GBA or GBWA Board or committee member.
- 3.5.2. They need to notify the Operations Manager and have their names and position recorded on the State register.
- 3.5.3. They remain accountable to the State Commissioner for ongoing personal and spiritual development including regular church attendance.
- 3.6. Associate Members
  - 3.6.1. Persons who have been elected or appointed to hold office in GBWA but are not Leadership members.
  - 3.6.2. They must complete the GBA Application to be an Associate Member form, prior to the election or appointment.
  - 3.6.3. They do not pay fees and have no voting rights but may attend the AGM and speak.
- 3.7. Life Members of The Girls' Brigade Australia who reside in Western Australia.
  - 3.7.1. Will be invited to all GBWA Events and GBA events held in WA.
  - 3.7.2. Will receive a copy of the GBWA Annual report.
  - 3.7.3. They do not pay fees and have no voting rights but may attend the AGM and speak.

#### 4. Papers

Date of approval by the Board \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of State Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

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