

PWA - By Laws - June 2026

1. Incorporated Association

- 1.1 Our organisation was first incorporated as association A1006279V on 27th June 1997 with the original name of “The Western Australian Petanque Association Incorporated “
- 1.2 On 20th December 2002 the name of our association was changed to “ Petanque WA Incorporated “
- 1.3 Annual Information statement to be submitted to the Association by the Treasurer.

2. Annual affiliation fee

- 2.1 The annual affiliation fee agreed at our last AGM was \$300 per club.
- 2.2 Each club is required to have paid the annual fee by the end of September.

3. Banking

- 3.1 PWA currently bank with Commonwealth Bank BSB 066-159 A/C 11198338
- 3.2 Any 2 of the Treasurer, President and Vice President to authorise all payments.
- 3.3 A second account 11203619 has been established to control the use of the Business Debit Card held by the Treasurer.

4. State Coach Manager

- 4.1 Our state coach manager having attained the required qualifications is appointed by PWA, in conjunction with PFA.
- 4.2 PWA have appointed Eric Carbonell as our interim State Coach Manager.
- 4.3 The state coach manager is responsible for –
 - Assisting the development of players by organising training sessions as required.
 - Coordinate the current process to select players to represent WA in interstate / national competitions.

5. State Umpire Manager

- 5.1 This position is appointed by PWA, in conjunction with PFA.
- 5.2 PWA have appointed Eric Carbonell as State Umpire Manager.
- 5.3 Who is responsible for –
 - Allocating an umpire to each competition on the PWA competition calendar.
 - Liaising with the PFA Chair of Umpire Commission
 - Organising training sessions / meetings for umpires as required.
 - Managing the exam process for umpire qualifications.

6. Umpire fees

- 6.1 PWA agree that all non playing umpires are to be paid the daily rate of \$100 for state comps & \$75 for club comps, regardless of their level of qualification.
- 6.2 It is further agreed that playing umpires should be paid 50% of the agreed fee.
- 6.3 The organising club is to pay the umpire and provide the umpire with a free lunch.

7. Competitions

- 7.1 The PWA competition calendar for next year to be agreed by November
- 7.2 PWA competitions are open to all licensed players, although anyone holding a licence from outside WA must join a WA club by the AGM of PFA, unless just visiting WA.
- 7.3 Teams are expected to complete all games of the competition as per the agreed format.
- 7.4 Should an emergency arise that would prevent a player continuing to play eg illness, the player must immediately advise the Tournament Director who would consult with the jury, who would review the reasons for the premature exit from the competition.
- 7.5 Should the jury decide not to validate the reasons for a premature exit from the competition, the following sanctions would apply –
 - For a state competition you will lose the ladder points for that competition and/or be banned from the next state competition.
 - For a club competition, you will be prohibited from registering for the next club competition.
- 7.6 PWA have agreed the following guidelines for all competitions included on the PWA competition calendar including –
 - All flyers to be circulated at least 2 weeks prior to the competition date
 - All daytime competitions to have an 8.30am for 9.00am start time
 - Registration cut off time 5pm on the prior Thursday, however a club may accept an additional team in order to avoid a bye.
 - Lunch orders to go directly to the organising club
 - All competitions to be run as per PWA's " competition formats "
 - Jury to be made up of a minimum of 3 players from different clubs.
- 7.7 Registration fee for all competitions (inc state) to be \$15.
- 7.8 Clubs may set their own registration fee if lunch is included.
- 7.9 Most clubs allocate 70% of registration fees to prizes
- 7.10 All competitions to award prizes to 1st, 2nd, 3rd & consolante as a minimum.
- 7.11 When a computer is used to run the control table at a state competition, it will be manned by a non playing person.
- 7.12 Shooters comp – players must select to play in either open or veterans, not both.
- 7.13 Interclub comp – associated members may be used but only if their original club does not require them to play for their own club.

- 7.14 State Veterans comps – a reserve player may be registered as part of a team.
- 7.15 Play offs for 1st v 2nd and 3rd v 4th to be untimed to 13 points for all state competitions.
- 7.16 Trophies / medals for all state comps to be awarded on the day of the competition, with \$15 awarded to consolation winners.
- 7.17 The only reasons for postponing a State or Veterans competition are when –
- Severe weather is forecast or
 - An additional international competition is scheduled, as we are required to not run our own competitions on the same date as an international comp.
 - Should the only rescheduled date available clash with another competition, then no ladder points would be awarded for that competition.
- 7.18 The decision to cancel any competition must be announced by 6pm on Friday
- 7.19 Reserves for club competitions may be used provided they are registered and paid as part of one team prior to the start of the competition and their utilisation must follow the FIPJP rules. Points will be awarded to all registered players of that team.

8. PWA competition ladder

- 8.1 Points to be awarded to the top 8 teams in accordance with the current guidelines.
- 8.2 The top 2 All Ladies teams will also be awarded points
- 8.3 Trophies / medals are to be awarded to the “player of the Year”, runner up and third place for both men and women, in both open and veteran categories
- 8.4 Only players with a WA licence will be included on the ladder.

9. Financial assistance

- 9.1 PWA will award any player chosen to represent WA \$150, or Australia \$300, funds permitting. However, to be refunded if unable to travel to the competition.

10. Conflict of Interest

In the event of a club representative having a conflict of interest in a topic to be discussed by PWA, it is agreed that person is to excuse him/her self from any discussion or voting on that issue.

11. Heat Policy

If the temperature is forecast to be over 35 degrees on the day of the competition, then it will be cancelled at least one day before the competition is due to be played.

12. Voting at PWA committee meetings

Only member clubs present may vote on any matter raised at a PWA committee meeting.

13. Communications

- 13.1 When clubs are requested to circulate emails from PWA to their members, the standing PWA President is to be included on their circulation list.
- 13.2 Social Media can be a valuable tool if used positively. All members are expected to use social media responsibly, respectfully and in a manner that upholds the reputation of PWA, clubs, officials and volunteers.
PWA will not tolerate or condone any form of bullying, accusations or defamatory comments directed at individuals, clubs or PWA on Social Media.
Any alleged breach of this code will be assessed by PWA and may result in disciplinary action.
- 13.3 Anyone wishing to raise a complaint should first seek to resolve their issue with their affiliated club.
Where the complaint can not be resolved at club level, or where the club considers the complaint warrants further consideration, the club may refer the complaint in writing to PWA for investigation.
All complaints submitted to PWA will be managed in accordance with the PWA constitution.

14. Behaviour register

Any unacceptable behaviour reported to PWA will be reviewed and classified as either –

- **Noted** – details recorded onto the register but without any further actions or
- **Actioned** – details recorded, together with any follow up actions that are considered appropriate.

An email will be sent to the person involved (and a copy to their club) advising that they have been placed on the register and confirming the actions taken.

Should the same person receive multiple **noted** entries, PWA reserve the right to further review the entries and possibly issue a follow up action.

