

Forestville Hockey Club

Membership and playing fees Policy

1. Overview

- 1.1. This policy outlines the various membership and playing fees payable by members of the Club.

2. Scope

- 2.1. This policy applies to all financial members of the Club.

3. Policy Details

Background

- 3.1. Membership and playing fees are required from members to cover costs such as team entry, match fees, pitch hire and facilities maintenance. From 2020 the club has billed players for match fees and taken responsibility for paying match fees due to venues.
- 3.2. The Management Committee will set a fee structure prior to the commencement of each season, taking into account known costs and anticipated costs as well as other revenue sources planned for the season.
- 3.3. The fee structure will be published prior to the commencement of each season including due dates and payment methods.
- 3.4. Forestville Membership and playing fees are not inclusive of fees charged by Hockey SA and Hockey Australia. Hockey SA and Hockey Australia fees are required to be paid separately to those organisations.

Payments

- 3.5. Membership and playing fees are due in 2 equal instalments:
 - Instalment 1 due by 30 April 2021
 - Instalment 2 due by 30 June 2021.

Failure to pay membership and playing fees may result in players being deemed ineligible to continue playing.

- 3.6. Any member finding it difficult to pay membership and playing fees by the due date must contact the Treasurer prior to the due date to arrange a payment plan. The Treasurer is delegated authority to approve payment plans for individuals, so long as the full membership and playing fee amount is paid prior to the end of the minor round of games for that player. Any payment plan which extends past the end of the minor round must be considered by the Management Committee.

Membership and playing fee Types

- 3.7. The Management Committee may set membership and playing fee types for different teams in the Club, and these may have varying fees. The membership and playing fee will take into account the varying amount charged for different competition levels by Hockey SA. Appendix One provides the current membership and playing fee structure.
- 3.8. The Club pays entry fees for each team entered into Hockey SA competitions. As a result, any member regularly playing in more than one team is expected to contribute to entry fees for each team. The Management Committee will provide a membership and playing fee type for these members.

Casual Playing Members

- 3.9. The Club acknowledges that some players will assist teams by playing one or two games through the season where regular players are unavailable.
- 3.10. Anyone who plays for the Club must be appropriately registered as a member prior to taking the field. The appropriate Hockey SA playing fee and Hockey Australia playing fee must be paid to ensure that the player is covered for insurance purposes. Junior players who are playing in the Senior competition as a casual must ensure that they have upgraded their Hockey SA playing fee so they are also covered for insurance purposes.
- 3.11. A reduced fee will be available on application to ensure these players can appropriately be registered as members. This membership is designed for any player who plays less than six minor round games.
- 3.12. Any member who utilises this membership and playing fee type, but subsequently plays more than six minor round games will be invoiced at the end of the season based on the number of games played:

Six games or less	Casual Player Membership
More than 6 games, but less than 50% of games	\$35 for each additional game
More than 50% of games	Full relevant membership and playing fee rate

Associate Members (Non-playing)

- 3.13. The Club acknowledges its many past players and other supporters who would like to continue their association with the Club. An Associate membership fee type will be made available for supporters of the Club to make a financial contribution to the Club and enjoy the benefits from Club sponsors.

Membership and playing fee reductions and waivers

3.14. The Management Committee may approve a reduction or waiver of membership and playing fee fees for individuals or groups. Such reductions are at the absolute discretion of the Management Committee. The following are examples of members who will be considered for reduced membership and playing fee fees:

- Team coaches
- Full-time students
- Goalies who provide their own equipment
- Families where three or more members from the same household play for the Club.
- Hardship

3.15. Any individual who believes they could be eligible to receive a fee reduction or waiver should provide these reasons to the President prior to the 30th of April 2021 for membership and playing fees. All membership and playing fee reductions or waivers must be approved by the Management Committee.

4. Roles and Responsibilities

Management Committee	Set membership and playing fee fees prior to the commencement of each season.
President	Receive membership and playing fee reduction submissions and present these to the Management Committee.
Treasurer	Approve fee payment plans for individuals or refer to the Management Committee.
Members	Pay appropriate membership and playing fee fees by due date. Make contact with the Treasurer before the due date to receive consideration of a payment plan. Make contact with the President before the due date to receive consideration of a fee reduction.

5. Compliance

5.1. Failure to comply with this Policy may result in members being deemed ineligible to play.

6. References / Links

6.1. This policy is in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Forestville Hockey Club.

7. Approval

7.1. This policy was approved by the Management Committee on 24 February 2021

7.2. This policy will be reviewed each year prior to the playing season commencement.

Appendix 1: Current Membership and playing fee Structure (2021)

Category	Membership fee	Match fees	Total FHC Membership and playing fee
Full Seniors PL & M1s	\$ 490	\$ 255	\$ 745
Full Seniors M3-M6s	\$ 420	\$ 225	\$ 645
Senior concessions	\$ 400	\$ 225	\$ 625
Dual registrations-PL and M1	\$ 250	\$ 255	\$ 505
Dual registration-M2-M6	\$ 250	\$ 225	\$ 475
Masters and Grass	\$ 250	\$ 185	\$ 435
Goalkeepers-PL & M1-own gear	\$ 50	\$ 255	\$ 305
Goalkeepers-Non PL & M1-own gear	\$ 50	\$ 225	\$ 275
Masters plus senior-addition to regular fee	\$ 100	\$ 185	\$ 285
Casuals	\$ 150	\$ 65	\$ 215
Juniors playing seniors	\$ 390	\$ 340	\$ 730
U18	\$ 290	\$ 185	\$ 475
U15	\$ 220	\$ 185	\$ 405
U13- <u>not</u> claiming Sports Voucher	\$ 220	\$ 185	\$ 405
U13-claiming Sports Voucher	\$ 120	\$ 185	\$ 305
U11- <u>not</u> claiming Sports Voucher	\$ 220	\$ 55	\$ 275
U11-claiming Sports Voucher	\$ 120	\$ 55	\$ 175
U9- <u>not</u> claiming Sports Voucher	\$ 120	\$ -	\$ 120
U9-claiming Sports Voucher	\$ 20	\$ -	\$ 20
Goalkeeper using club gear	The fees applicable to a field player in that team		
Goalkeeper playing on field in a second team	The fees applicable to a field player in the second team		
Associate member	\$10	\$ -	\$ 10

Note: In accordance with the provisions of this policy for Casual Playing members, these players must register under the category that applies to them (e.g. Senior, Student,) and pay the \$200.00 Casual Player fee and the Hockey SA player registration fee to be eligible to play. Casual players will then be invoiced for any additional fees owing under 3.11 in this policy after the 31st May 2021.

* For information on eligibility for school sports vouchers please refer to

https://sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/499600/factsheet2019changes.pdf