



## <u>Rationale</u>

This policy aims to create a clear and consistent set of rules relating to the allocation of financial support to its members who are selected in and participate at higher level competitions.

## <u>Policy</u>

Caboolture Sports Softball Association (CSSA) shall provide, at this ultimate discretion, financial support to its members who are selected into recognised higher level representative events, based on the following conditions.

- 1. Members who may be considered for funding shall include players, coaches, statistician on the proviso that such members must not have any outstanding fees owing to the Association.
- 2. Events for which funding is available shall include state or national representative level teams and training camps for which a genuine merit-based selection is used rather than an open invitation.
- 3. The amount of funding provided shall be determined from time to time by the Executive Committee and may vary depending of level of selection (junior, senior, state, national) selected role (player, coach, statistician) type of event (training camp or competition), distance to and related costs of event.
- 4. This application form, as approved by the Committee, must be completed and submitted to the Association Secretary before any funding support will be considered. The Association Secretary shall note the application as part of the next Executive Meeting of the Committee. Retrospective allocations shall be considered for events that took place within the previous three months.
- 5. A member can apply for more than one allocation of funding in any one year, however the Committee may choose to limit the total of money allocated to any member in any one year.
- 6. The Committee may choose to pay money to the member directly or to any organising body or agency approved to collect player levies.
- 7. A member, before receiving any funding must:7.1 agree to renew their membership with the Association for its next full competition season.

7.2 agree to use the funds to offset costs directly related to the nominated event.

7.3 agree that if they do not participate in the event, they must repay the full value of the funding to the Association within 14 days of either (a) the date on which it is known that they were to no longer attending , or (b) the first date of the representative event, whichever is the earlier.

7.4 agree to repay the full value of the funding if they wish to leave the Association during the next competitive season.

7.5 when the funding is paid directly to them, complete a form that declares that their payment relates to a private recreational pursuit or hobby which exempts it from tax withholdings.

- 8. Any member who has amounts owing to the Association may forego their rights of membership, including the right to seek clearance of transfer to another Association.
- 9. In special circumstances such as illness or unforseen personal circumstances, the Committee has the right, at its ultimate discretion, to defer the payment of unpaid funds until the matter has been considered and decided upon at the next Executive Meeting.
- 10. Where the Committee has deferred the payment of unpaid funds, the Committee at its next Executive meeting may choose to reduce or waive the debt, and or set new terms of repayment, and to take any other action as it sees fit.
- 11. The member has the right of appeal any decision made under this policy so long as such appeal shall be in writing to the Committee and be received within 28 days of such decision being made known to the member

I, hav	re read and agree to the above terms and
conditions to the "Application + Policy – Financial A	Assistance – Representative & Official"
Member's Signature:	Date:
Guardian Signature:Date:	
CSSA OFFICE USE ONLY:	
LETTER OF REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	
COPY OF INVOICE/S	
DATE OF EXECUTIVE MEETING:	
AMOUNT APPROVED – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:	
Executive Signature	Executive Signature