

Manitoba Runners' Association Inc.

Membership Policy

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ARTICLE 1: GENERAL

- 1.1 Application Requirements: Applications for Membership shall be by submission of a completed MRA Membership Application form (or electronic equivalent), along with payment of the annual Membership dues as set by the Board for the respective category of Membership. The Application for Membership shall stipulate that the applicant agrees to abide by the MRA's Bylaws and Policies.
- 1.2 No Residence Requirement: Interest and involvement in the Manitoba running community are the determining factors for MRA membership. Members need not reside in Manitoba.
- 1.3 Member in Good Standing: A Member is in good standing if, having completed the application requirements, the Member abides by the MRA's Bylaws and Policies.
- 1.4 Membership Categories: There are 4 membership categories: Adult, Student, Organization and Life.
- 1.5 Membership Year: The Membership Year for the MRA shall be from January 1 to December 31.
- 1.6 Annual Membership: Except for Life Members, Membership duration is accorded on an annual basis, and Members shall re-apply for Membership annually.
- 1.7 Membership Dues: A Membership dues schedule shall be determined annually by the Board.
- 1.8 Reduced Race Entry Fees: Members shall be eligible to enjoy reduced race entry fees and other benefits that may be offered from time to time by individual running events.
- 1.9 Board Offered Membership: The Board may offer membership and waive membership dues to deserving individuals including but not limited to race directors, sponsors, and volunteers.
- 1.10 No Transfers: Membership in the MRA is non-transferable.
- 1.11 Termination: Membership in the MRA shall terminate immediately upon:
 - 1.11.1 The expiration of the Member's annual Membership on December 31 unless renewed in accordance with this Policy.
 - 1.11.2 The Member's death or dissolution of the school, club, or running event associated with the Organization Member.
 - 1.11.3 Resignation by the Member by giving Written Notice to the MRA.
 - 1.11.4 Decision of the Executive Committee following disciplinary action.
 - 1.11.5 Dissolution of the MRA.

ARTICLE 2: ADULT MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 Eligibility: Adult Membership is open to any individual aged 17 years or older as of January 1.
- 2.2 Voting: An Adult Member shall have one vote at any Meeting of Members.
- 2.3 Race Series: An Adult Member is eligible to join the Classic Race Series.

ARTICLE 3: STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Eligibility: Student Membership is open to any full-time student aged 24 years or under as of January 1.
- 3.2 Application: The parent or guardian shall submit the Application for Membership on behalf of a student aged 16 years or under as of January 1.
- 3.3 Voting: A Student Member aged 17 years or older as of January 1 shall have one vote at any Meeting of Members. A Student Member aged 16 years or younger as of January 1 shall not be eligible to vote at a Meeting of Members.
- 3.4 Race Series: A Student Member aged 16 years and under as of January 1 is eligible to join the Youth Race Series. A Student Member aged 17 years and older as of January 1 is eligible to join the Classic Race Series.

ARTICLE 4: ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP

- 4.1 Eligibility: Organization membership is open to any elementary or high school, any running club, and any running event in Manitoba that has a teacher, coach, race director, or similar delegate.
- 4.2 Application: By applying for organization membership, the teacher, coach, race director, or similar delegate agrees that the organization and its representatives shall abide by the MRA's Bylaws and Policies.
- 4.3 Voting: An Organization Member shall have one vote at any Meeting of Members. The school, club, or event is entitled to appoint one adult delegate who may cast their vote on behalf of the organization.
- 4.4 No Individual Membership: Organization Membership does not automatically confer MRA membership or voting rights to individual teachers, coaches, organization executives, students, club members or event participants. Such individuals shall only gain individual membership and voting rights by obtaining Adult or Student memberships.

ARTICLE 5: LIFE MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 Bestowed by Board: The Board shall bestow Life Membership upon individuals who have excelled in running or have provided exemplary service to the running community in Manitoba, and who are deemed by the Board to be worthy of such an honour. Hall of Fame Inductees shall automatically be granted Life Membership.
- 5.2 Full Members: Life Members shall have full Adult membership, with all rights and privileges as applicable.

ARTICLE 6: MEMBERS OF ATHLETICS MANITOBA

- 6.1 Complimentary MRA membership: Members of Athletics Manitoba are eligible for a complimentary MRA membership with full MRA benefits. On receipt of a completed complimentary membership form (found on the Athletics Manitoba and MRA websites), the MRA accepts the applicant as a full MRA Member.
- 6.2 Adults: An applicant from Athletics Manitoba aged 17 years or older as of January 1 shall gain Adult membership.
- 6.3 Students: An applicant from Athletics Manitoba aged 16 years or under as of January 1 shall gain Student membership.

Appendix 1: Membership Dues

MRA Membership Dues (effective 2024-01-01)			
Membership Type	Fee	GST	Total
Adult (or first Member in the household)	\$50.00	\$2.50	\$52.50
Student (or first Member in the household*)	\$20.00	\$1.00	\$21.00
Each Additional household Member (adult or student)	\$10.00	\$0.50	\$10.50
Organization	\$50.00	\$2.50	\$52.50
Student (Affiliated with an Organization Member)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Life Member	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

“Household” is a group of people living at the same address.

*A student is the first Member in a household where there is no Adult Member.