

# Koeki Shadan Hojin The Yokohama Country and Athletic Club

# **Membership Regulations**

#### **Chapter I: General Provisions**

# **Article 1. Objectives**

In furtherance of Article 5 of the Articles of Association of the Koeki Shadan Hojin The Yokohama Country and Athletic Club (hereinafter, the "YC&AC"), these Membership Regulations set forth certain matters concerning the composition of the membership of the YC&AC.

# **Article 2. Composition of Membership**

The Members of the YC&AC shall consist of Full Members, Associate Members, and Honorary Members in accordance with Article 5 of the Articles of Association.

## **Chapter II: Full Members**

# **Article 3. Categories**

Any person who (a) having approved the objectives and activities of the YC&AC becomes a new Member pursuant to Article 6 of the Articles of Association under any of the following membership categories, or (b) after having been on the Absent Member List or pursuant to paragraph e) or paragraph g) of Article 6-5 of the By-Laws resumes active status as a Member under any of the following membership categories, or (c) is a Member who changes membership status to any of the following membership categories, shall, for the purposes of Article 5 of the Articles of Association, be categorized as a Full Member and accordingly shall constitute a "member" (*shain*) of the YC&AC for the purposes of the Act on General Incorporated Associations and General Incorporated Foundations:

1.	Full Single Member:	An inc	divid	dual	at	least	20	years of	age w	ho l	has paid	
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any applicable Acceptance Fee in full.

2. Full Family Members: Spouses or partners, each of whom is at least 20

years of age, who have paid any applicable

Acceptance Fee in full.

3. Senior Single Member: An individual who has been a Full Member for at

least 20 years and is at least sixty 65 years of age.

4. Senior Family Members: Spouses or partners, each of whom has been a Full

Member for at least 20 years and is at least 65 years

of age.

5. Honorary Life Single Member: An individual qualifies for Honorary Life Single

Membership if they have maintained active Full Membership status for a minimum of 40 years and

having reached the age of 75 or older.

6. Honorary Life Family Members: Spouses or partners qualify for Honorary Life Family

Membership if each have maintained active Full Membership status for a minimum of 40 years and

having each reached the age of 75 or older.

The criteria for Honorary Life Single or Honorary Family Membership is determined by the principal requirement of being 75 years of age or older, with a cumulative membership duration of 40 years or more. Application forms must be submitted to the Club Management for approval.

In cases where one member of a family membership meets the specified criteria while the spouse does not, the qualifying member shall ascend to Honorary Life Membership status while the spouse shall continue to pay single member subscription fees until they meet the eligibility criteria.

Honorary Life Members are strongly encouraged to support the Club's endeavors by contributing a subscription fee at a sustainable level of their choosing. This support aids in covering the operational expenses incurred in carrying out the YC&AC's activities.

Each individual member in good standing who has achieved the qualification for Honorary Life Membership must fulfill the requirement of paying the Honorary Life Transfer Fee as specified in the Regulations Concerning Fees.

# **Chapter III: Associate Members**

# **Article 4. Categories**

Any person who becomes a Member under any of the following membership categories to support the activities of the YC&AC shall, for the purposes of Article 5 of the Articles of Association, be categorized as an Associate Member and accordingly shall not constitute a "member" (*shain*) of the YC&AC for the purposes of the Act on General Incorporated Associations and General Incorporated Foundations:

1. Corporate Sponsored Single Member: An individual at least 20 years of age who has been

introduced by a corporation which the YC&AC deems eligible and for whom the corporation agrees

to be liable for the Acceptance Fee, Monthly

Subscription Fees and Deposit.

2. Corporate Sponsored Family Members: Spouses or partners, each of whom is at least 20

years of age, who have been introduced by a

corporation which the YC&AC deems eligible and for whom the corporation agrees to be liable for the Acceptance Fee, Monthly Subscription Fees and

Deposit.

3. Term Single Member: An individual at least 20 years of age who has

applied to pay the Acceptance Fee in instalment payments over a period not to exceed 36 months.

4. Term Family Member: Spouses each of whom is at least 20 years of age

who have applied to pay the Acceptance Fee in

instalment payments over a period not to exceed 36

months.

5. Junior Member: An individual at least 14 years of age and less than

23 years of age who has been accepted for

membership with the consent of any parent or legal

guardian of the individual.

6. Young Adult Member: An individual at least 23 years of age and less than

30 years of age.

7. Young Professional Member: An individual at least 30 years of age and less than

36 years of age.

8. Reciprocal Club Introduced Member An individual at least 20 years of age who has been

introduced by another club which the YC&AC

recognizes as a Reciprocal Club.

## **Chapter IV: Honorary Members**

# **Article 5. Eligibility**

Any individual who has been nominated by two Full Members as an individual who would be suitable as an Honorary Member of the YC&AC and who has been approved by the Board of Directors as an Honorary Member:

#### **Chapter V. Other Provisions**

#### **Article 6. Transfer of Membership**

Membership of the YC&AC is not transferrable.

#### **Article 7. Amendments**

These Membership Regulations may be amended by a resolution of the Board of Directors. Amendments to these Membership Regulations once approved shall take effect 21 days after posting on the YC&AC's Notice Board. Additional means of notifying Members may also be used. A copy of any amendments to these Membership Regulations during any fiscal year shall be included with the notification of the applicable annual General Meeting of Members for such fiscal year.

#### **Article 8. Transitional measures**

Treatment of any Member who belongs to a membership category that is revised in a manner that results in the Member no longer falling under the terms of the revised membership category will be determined by the Board of Directors separately.

## **Auxiliary Provisions**

This amended version of the Membership Regulations was approved by the Board of Directors on 6 April, 2020 and is effective from 1 May 2020.

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