

OCEANIA ASSOCIATION OF VETERAN ATHLETES
POLICY STATEMENT - No. 1.5

This Policy Statement was endorsed by the Council at its meeting on 21 January, 2001.

ADMINISTRATION GRANTS BY AFFILIATES

BACKGROUND:

The current Constitution of OAVA provides for the payment of Affiliation Fees by Affiliates, and excludes any Affiliates which have not paid those fees from voting.

This lack of voting rights does not prevent athletes from any unfinancial Affiliate from competing in Oceania Regional Championship competitions.

In 1998, advice was received from WAVA that Regional Associations are not permitted to charge Affiliation Fees.

Council was, as a result, required to review the general and financial issues arising from that situation.

POLICY STATEMENT:

Payment of Affiliation Fees remains part of OAVA's Constitution at the present time.

Council considers the payment of such fees to be a fair charge on Affiliates to assist in financing the basic administration costs of the association.

However, it accepts the authority of WAVA on this matter and no longer requires payment of Affiliation Fees by Affiliates.

Instead, it encourages Affiliates to pay a *voluntary* Administration Grant in order to provide income to meet basic administration costs.

It is accepted that voting rights cannot be suspended in the event of non-payment by any Affiliate.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES:

Alterations to the Constitution appear to be required to tidy up this matter.

Relevant Resolution:

Council 29 March, 1997