

1. Purpose

The purpose of these **Operating Policies** is to document the policies, procedures, and protocols of the Ringette Calgary Association (the "Association" or "Ringette Calgary") to provide background information, continuity, and transparency to its operations. This document is updated periodically to reflect the Association's actual operations.

These Policies and Procedures are intended to be used in complement to the Association Bylaws, Association Rules & Regulations and the rules of Ringette Canada and Ringette Alberta.

While it is intended that these policies are kept up to date, decisions made at the Board level may or may not appear in this document as soon as they happen.

Any changes to the Operating Policies are to be approved by the Association Board of Directors (Board). In cases where questions arise concerning interpretation of these Policies the final authority will be the Board.

2. Membership Types

All Members must abide by the Bylaws, Operating Policies, and Rules & Regulations of the Association and conduct themselves in a manner that does not jeopardize the Association, its reputation, or its best interest.

2.1 Full Members

- Individuals and/or their guardians on teams operated by the Association, or on teams or committees operated by Affiliate Member Groups.
- Individuals on the Board of Directors or on committees operated by Affiliate Member Groups.
- Full Members have full voting privileges

2.2 Affiliate Member Groups

Approved Sub-Committees, Sub-Associations, or other organizations connected with Ringette Calgary. For example, but not limited to:

Officials Committee, The AA Calgary Ringette Foundation, Esso Golden Ring Tournament Committee, Northwest Calgary Ringette Society, South Calgary Ringette Association, Bow View Ringette Association.

2.3 Associate Members

Individuals registered with the Officials Committee, Adult Teams, Out-of-zone Organizations, and other groups connected with Ringette Calgary, upon approval of the Board and who are in good standing. Associate Members have no voting privileges.

2.4 Interim Members

Interim Membership is temporarily granted to any individual who volunteers for an Association Event, Bingo, or Casino. The membership shall be for the duration of the duties as required. Interim Members have no voting privileges.

2.5 Life Members

Granted by resolution at a General Meeting, Life Members have full voting privileges.