



Awards Guidelines

These are the guidelines that may be used to assist in the preparation of nominations for these awards.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP (BY-LAWS 13.1a)

1. This is the highest award that Athletics Victoria bestows upon members.
2. The award signifies a minimum of 15 years of outstanding service to AV.
3. The following criteria are indicative areas of such service:
 - **Member of the Committee of Athletics Victoria**
 - **Chairman, Secretary, active member of an Athletics Victoria Sub-Committee, Regional Centre or Competition Venue.**
 - **Manager, Asst Manager, Member of Management of Victorian Teams at National Championships.**
 - **Athletics Australia registered coach who: -**
 - **offers and provides service for clinics in Country and Metropolitan regions.**
 - **has a proven coaching record of Victorian representative athletes.**
 - **An official with an Athletics Australia grading who: -**
 - **regularly officiates at Athletics Victoria championships in any capacity.**
 - **is selected by Athletics Australia to be a Technical Official or hold a position of responsibility at any Athletics Australia controlled event.**
 - **regularly officiates at AV events (ie Summer or Winter competition).**
 - **assists in the organization of AV events (ie: LOC's).**
 - **An athlete registered with Athletics Victoria who has represented Victoria with distinction at National Championships and represented Australia at Commonwealth Games and/or World Championships and/or Olympic Games**
4. The following are areas, which in isolation, are not considered to qualify for this award but may be included in support of the above activities:
 - **Club President, Secretary, Life Member**
 - **Club Technical Official**
 - **Club Coach**
 - **Club Athletics Victoria delegate**

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MERIT AWARD (BY-LAWS 13.1b)

This award is available to a member who has given notable service to Athletics Victoria over a minimum 10-year period*.

The following criteria are considered noteworthy and should have been performed over a number of years:

- **Member of the Committee of Athletics Victoria**
 - **Membership of an Athletics Victoria Sub-Committee, Metropolitan Venue or Regional Centre Board**
 - **Manager, Asst Manager, Member of Management of Victorian Teams at National Championships.**
 - **An official who:**
 - **is selected to officiate at Athletics Victoria championship events and/or**
 - **officiates at Australian Championships**
 - **A Coach who:**
 - **continually develops Victorian representative athletes and/or**
 - **voluntarily provides services to Athletics Victoria clinics and squads**
 - **An athlete who in the opinion of the Athletics Victoria Committee has achieved excellence in Victorian Championships or has represented Victoria and/or Australia. ***
 - **A member who provides substantial sponsorships to Athletics Victoria.**
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- **Club President, Secretary, Life Member**
 - **Club Technical Official**
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***10-year minimum period does not include athlete nominations**

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD (BY-LAWS 13.1c)

This award is available to both members and non-members who have given distinguished or special service to Athletics Victoria over a non-specific period of time.

The following criteria is considered noteworthy and should have been performed over a number of years:

- An Athletics Victoria Committee Member, Portfolio Manager, Sub-Committee Member, Association Officer, Regional Centre/Venue Committee Member who does not qualify for the Merit Award or Life Membership.
- An Athletics Victoria Committee Member, Portfolio Manager, Sub-Committee Member, Association Officer, Regional Centre/Venue Committee Member who has been awarded the Merit Award or Life Membership and has then continued to render distinguished or special service to Athletics Victoria over a further lengthy period of time.
- A member or non-member who provides substantial sponsorships to Athletics Victoria.
- A staff member/contractor who has rendered distinguished or special service over and above their employment with Athletics Victoria over a period of time.

50 YEARS MEMBERSHIP AWARD (BY-LAWS 13.1d)

This award is available to a member who has been registered with Athletics Victoria upon completion of a 50-year period (not necessarily continuous).

VENUE/REGIONAL CENTRE SERVICE AWARD (BY-LAWS 13.1e)

This award is available to a member who has given outstanding service over a minimum 10-year period with both their Club and Metropolitan Venue/Country Regional Centre.

The member must not have been awarded the Association Life Member or Merit Awards.

The purpose of this award is to provide recognition to a person who has contributed to the Venue/Region but may not get involved in other State based competitions.

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