

HONOURS AND AWARDS POLICY

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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the manner in which Basketball South Australia can publicly recognise those in our sport who have made a notable and significant contribution, either within South Australia, nationally or internationally. Awards are intended to honour outstanding dedication, loyalty, service and contribution that an individual has made over a period of time or as a result of a significant milestone and/or achievement.

Scope

Anyone may make an award nomination in line with this policy.

Awards

The following awards will be recognised as official Basketball SA honours:

1. Participant Life Member

This award recognises participants of the sport who have reached a significant participation milestone in the top level of South Australian basketball.

“Participant Life Member” was previously known as “300 Club”. All “300 Club” members awarded before 1 May 2021 are now recognised as a Participant Life Member.

2. Life Membership

Life Membership publicly acknowledges the direct service someone has made to basketball over an extended period of time.

3. Hall of Fame

This award recognises individuals with outstanding sporting achievements in basketball at the highest levels in the sport.

4. Legend

This award is an extension of the Hall of Fame and recognises those South Australians whose success extends to the highest levels in the national and international arena.

General Matters	
Decision	The final decision as to whether an individual is granted an award shall be made by the Commission.
Conflict of Interest	Members of the Basketball South Australia Commission, Honours and Awards Committee (HAC), and management, must abstain from participating in any discussion and decision-making process set out pursuant to this policy that creates, or which may be perceived to create, a conflict of interest. Any such conflict shall be declared immediately after it becomes apparent.
Revocation	The Commission may revoke any award granted by Basketball South Australia (or any of its successors or predecessors) if information about the recipient's integrity, sportsmanship and/or character becomes available or is made known after receipt of an award, which, if known at the time that the award was conferred, may have resulted in the Commission not granting that award.
Participant Life Member	
Eligibility	Any individual that meets the criteria set out below.
Nomination	Basketball South Australia shall monitor eligibility for this award and shall nominate individuals on a season-by-season basis according to internally recorded statistics. An affiliated Member Association, or any of its affiliated clubs or associations, may nominate an individual for this award should it believe that Basketball South Australia has inadvertently failed to recognise an individual that meets the criteria set out below.
Criteria	The following milestones must be achieved: • <u>Player</u>: complete 10 years' service and participate in 150 games at the top level of South Australian basketball; • <u>Coach</u>: complete 10 years' service and participate in 150 games at the top level of South Australian basketball; • <u>Referee</u>: 10 years' service and participate in 200 games at the top level of South Australian basketball; • <u>Technical Official</u>: 10 years' service and participate in 250 games at the top level of South Australian basketball. A 'Technical Official' includes any Statistician, Scoretable Personnel, Referee Coach, Media, or other volunteer appointed by Basketball SA.

	The 'top level of South Australian basketball' means: (i) the premier (men's or women's) league competition designated by Basketball South Australia on an annual basis; and (ii) the men's or women's state team selected by Basketball South Australia.
Selection	Basketball South Australia management will review nominations on a season- by-season basis to ensure that each candidate meets the criteria and that all supporting information is accurate and complete. Following this review, the validated nominations will be submitted to the Commission for its decision. The decision of the Commission is final.
Life Membership	
Eligibility	Any individual that has demonstrated significant service to Basketball South Australia over a prolonged period of time.
Nomination	Nominations are not called for Life Members. Potential Life Members can be identified on an <i>ad hoc</i> basis by: • Basketball South Australia (including by any of its staff, Commission members, or subcommittee members); • a Member Association (and/or an affiliated club or association); or a current Life Member or Hall of Fame member. Any natural person or legal person that wishes to nominate an individual to be a Life Member should consult with any of the above persons and request that they submit a nomination on their behalf.
Criteria	Life Membership is the highest honour conferred by Basketball South Australia and recognises individuals who have made an exceptional and sustained contribution to basketball in South Australia. A minimum period of 10 years service will generally be required. However, length of service alone will not be sufficient to justify the awarding of Life Membership. In assessing nominations, consideration will be given to the extent to which the proposed Life Member has made a meaningful and identifiable impact on Basketball South Australia and the broader basketball community. This includes whether the individual's contribution has resulted in lasting benefit or legacy.

	Without limiting the criteria above, the following factors may be considered in determining whether the required standard has been met: • service, including the depth, consistency and significance of contribution • leadership, including the ability to influence, guide or elevate individuals, programs or the organisation • impact, including demonstrable outcomes or advancement of basketball in South Australia • legacy, including the extent to which contributions have created enduring benefit beyond the individual's involvement alignment with Basketball South Australia's strategic priorities and long term direction In exceptional circumstances, the Commission may determine that an individual who has not met the 10 year service threshold is eligible for Life Membership where they have made a transformational contribution of such significance that it warrants recognition at this level. Such determinations are expected to be rare.
Selection	The HAC shall assess any nominations for Life Member (including any nomination made by a member of the HAC). If requested by the HAC (and approved by the Commission), Basketball South Australia may appoint a person or entity to conduct research and undertake assessment of potential or proposed Life Members to assist the HAC in its own assessment process. Should the HAC decide that an individual nominee has met the criteria, it shall compile a nomination report for submission to the Chief Executive Officer. Basketball South Australia management will review the HAC nomination and supporting documentation to confirm the integrity of the process and that all relevant information is accurate, complete, and appropriate for consideration. Following this review, the validated nomination will be submitted to the Commission for its decision. The decision of the Commission is final.

Hall of Fame	
Eligibility	Any individual whose service and achievements have significantly shaped South Australian basketball.
Nomination	Nominations are not called for Hall of Fame candidates. Potential candidates can be identified on an <i>ad hoc</i> basis by: • Basketball South Australia (including by any of its staff, Commission members, or subcommittee members); • a Member Association (and/or an affiliated club or association); or • a current Life Member or Hall of Fame member. Any natural person or legal person that wishes to nominate an individual to the Hall of Fame should consult with any of the above persons and request that they submit a nomination on their behalf.
Criteria	<u>Players</u> The proposed candidate must have excelled as a player: • at senior international level; and/or • as a state representative player at senior Australian championships; and/or • at junior international level; and/or • at national league level; and/or • at the top level of South Australian basketball. A long-term playing career alone is not sufficient justification for selection, nor is being awarded a Participant Life Member award. A Hall of Fame player must have demonstrated excellence during their playing career. <u>Coaches</u> The proposed candidate must have excelled: • as a coach at a senior international level; and/or • as a state representative coach at senior Australian championships; and/or • as a coach at a junior international level; and/or • as a coach at national league level; and/or • as a coach at the top level of South Australian basketball; and/or

- as a state representative coach at Australian championships.

A long-term coaching career alone is not sufficient justification for selection, nor is being awarded a Participant Life Member award. A Hall of Fame coach must have demonstrated excellence during their coaching career.

Technical Officials

The proposed candidate must have excelled as a technical official:

- at a senior international level; and/or
- at senior Australian championships; and/or
- at senior South Australia state championships; and/or
- at a junior international level; and/or
- at national league level; and/or
- at the top level of South Australian basketball.

A long-term career as a technical official alone is not sufficient justification for selection, nor is being awarded a Participant Life Member award.

Referees

The proposed candidate must have excelled as a referee:

- at a senior international level; and/or
- at senior Australian championships; and/or
- at senior South Australia state championships; and/or
- at a junior international level; and/or
- at national league level; and/or
- at the top level of South Australian basketball.

A long-term career as a referee alone is not sufficient justification for selection, nor is being awarded a Participant Life Member award.

Contributors

The proposed candidate must have excelled in a role which supported players, coaches, or technical officials:

- at senior international level; and/or
- at junior international level; and/or
- at national league level; and/or
- at state level (e.g. senior or junior Australian championships); and/or

	• at the top level of South Australian basketball. The areas of achievement and/or service may include administration, education, media, sports science, sports medicine, and other relevant areas. Long-term service alone is not sufficient justification for selection. <u>General Criteria</u> A Hall of Fame member must: • have been primarily a resident of South Australia, or have demonstrated a close link with Basketball South Australia, while pursuing or furthering their achievements during the period under consideration; • in addition to individual contribution, the proposed inductee's integrity, sportsmanship and character must also be considered. Any person that is employed by Basketball South Australia, sits on the Basketball South Australia Commission, or sits on a Basketball South Australia subcommittee is ineligible for the award while they remain employed or appointed (as relevant).
Selection	The HAC shall assess any nominations for the Hall of Fame (including any nomination made by a member of the HAC). If requested by the HAC (and approved by the Commission), Basketball South Australia may appoint a person or entity to conduct research and undertake assessment of potential or proposed Hall of Fame member to assist the HAC in its own assessment process. Should the HAC decide that an individual nominee has met the criteria, it shall compile a nomination report for submission to the Chief Executive Officer. Basketball South Australia management will review the HAC nomination and supporting documentation to confirm the integrity of the process and that all relevant information is accurate, complete, and appropriate for consideration. Following this review, the validated nomination will be submitted to the Commission for its decision. The decision of the Commission is final.

Hall of Fame Legend	
Eligibility	Any existing member of the Hall of Fame is eligible to be awarded Legend status, no earlier than five (5) years after their induction into the Hall of Fame.
Nomination	Nominations are not called for Legend status. Potential candidates will be identified on an <i>ad hoc</i> basis by Basketball South Australia (including by any of its staff, Commission members, or subcommittee members).
Criteria	Legends will have achieved significant results at the top level of basketball in South Australia <u>and</u> on a national and/or international scale for a consistent and prolonged period of time. Awarding of Legend status will be very rare.
Selection	The HAC shall assess any nominations for Legend status (including any nomination made by a member of the HAC). If requested by the HAC (and approved by the Commission), Basketball South Australia may appoint a person or entity to conduct research and undertake assessment of potential or proposed Legend to assist the HAC in its own assessment process. Should the HAC decide that an individual nominee has met the criteria, it shall compile a nomination report for submission to the Chief Executive Officer. Basketball South Australia management will review the HAC nomination and supporting documentation to confirm the integrity of the process and that all relevant information is accurate, complete, and appropriate for consideration. Following this review, the validated nomination will be submitted to the Commission for its decision. The decision of the Commission is final.

Record Keeping

Basketball South Australia will maintain a register for each award type which will include (where known and possible) the recipient's name, nominated by, nominated for, and date received.

Time for Decision

Nominations for Participant Life Member shall be determined by the end of the season during which they have been nominated. The only exception shall be where the statistics relied upon as part of the nomination require further investigation and/or verification.

There is no timeframe for determination of a nomination for Life Member, Hall of Fame, or Hall of Fame Legend status.

External award nominations

Basketball South Australia may submit nominations of South Australians who have provided exceptional service to basketball to external awards bodies, including without limitation to the Basketball Australia Hall of Fame and the South Australian Sport Hall of Fame.

In such cases, the nominee must first have generally received a Basketball South Australia award conferred pursuant to this policy (or its predecessors).

The Chief Executive Officer of Basketball South Australia is authorised to make such external nominations. Such external nomination must be approved by the Commission.

1	Nov 2018	New policy	Awards Committee
2	Jul 2019	Updates to Life Member, inclusion of 3.2	Awards Committee
3	Mar 2020	Format change, inclusion of Hall of Fame Contributor	Awards Committee
4	May 2021	Inclusion of Participant Life Member to replace 300 Club. Addition of recognition to presentation information.	Awards Committee
5	March 2026	Updates	CEO & Senior Management