



Australian Floorball Association

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TO: International Floorball Federation

FROM: Australian Floorball Association Executive

RE:

APPLICATION FOR ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP

DATE: 27th March 2006

Dear Sirs,

The Australian Floorball Association (AFA) Executive at its recent General Meeting 21st March 2006, voted to re-apply for membership with the International Floorball Federation as an ordinary member.

Please find details below for satisfying this application. If further information is required please contact the AFA office.

The AFA looks forward to building the sport of Floorball in line with IFF key objectives.

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LEGAL ISSUES:

The Australian Floorball Association operates under the name:

AUSTRALIAN FLOORBALL INCORPORATED (registered state: NSW; registered ID: Y2488645)

A full list of companies associated with the name Floorball can be found on the following link:

<http://www.search.asic.gov.au/cgi-bin/gns030c>

The private company using the name 'Floorball Australia Pty Ltd' has been advised to relinquish this name on expiry of its registration as it conflicts with the national bodies marketing strategy. This company has given a verbal agreement to co-operate with this request.

The AFAs lawyers are reviewing the naming of the Association and its incorporated structure.

The AFAs lawyers are Cowley and Hearne

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The legal constitution for the AFA devised in September 1996 utilised the model rules of the NSW Department of Fair Trading:

<http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/business/associations/modelrules.html>

The constitution is now under review and aimed to replicate other Australian National Sports Organisations (NSO's), the AFA is considering the unitary model as presented to the Australian Sports Commission as 'best practise' for the industry.

<http://www.ausport.gov.au/ibp/govguide.asp>

<http://smarterweb.sportingpulse.com/www.austouch.com.au/index.cgi?det=1&intArticleID=1475&sID=60>

Core values of the IFF will be deliberately aligned in any review of the AFA constitution.

The AFA is a self-ruled Floorball Association.

RECORDS:

Please find attached the following:
AFA certificate of incorporation.
Minutes of the 2004 and 2005 AGM.

AFFILIATIONS:

Approval for Floorball into the Australian Sports Commission is subject to review of the Australian Sports Commission (www.ausport.gov.au). Most importantly this is dependent on clear evidence of audited financial reports of which the current Executive is collating and will have completed by end of its term (August 2006). There are also criteria such as ranking in the top 10 countries of the sport and the AFA will seek exemption to these rulings.

State bodies are members of their state general sporting federations.

Eg. NSW is a member of www.sportnsw.com.au

CALENDER:

The AFAs financial year is 1st July to 30th June each year.
The AFAs playing season is 1st July to 30th June each year. The following structure usually denotes the allocation of matches and events:

July/August - Junior promotion and recruitment and cups (Brisbane and Perth)

September/October - 3to4 week Pre-season events

October/November - start of elite series and Australia v The WORLD Team (ACT tournament)

December/January - few events as this is major holiday time (Victorian tournament to coincide with Australian Tennis Open)

February/March - elite series and elite series finals

April - Australian Floorball Open

May - WFC campaign

June - devoted to Administration tasks and planning

CLUBS AND MEMBERS:

1	Sydney - NSW	Sydney Blue Tongues	Current Australian Floorball Open champions
2		Glebe FC	Runners up 04-05 NSW elite series
3		Northern Beaches	Winners 04-05 NSW elite series
4		Epping	Social
5		UNSW	Newcomers - high end indoor hockey players
6		Penrith	*starting in May 2006
7		Blacktown	*starting in May 2006
8		Hornsby	*starting in August 2006
9		Campbelltown	*starting in August 2009
10		Auburn	Commenced in May 2006
11	Newcastle - NSW	Newcastle Cobras	NSW elite series club - derivative of Newcastle Crabs
12		Newcastle Thunder	Social competition club
13	Brisbane - QLD	Storey Bridge	AFO semi-finalists (only non-Sydney club to rank in top 4)
14	Canberra - ACT	Canberra	Affiliated with AFA in Feb 2006
15	Melbourne - VIC	Spartans FC	***also staging the Commonwealth Games in March
16		Pentone Panthers.	MFL

17		Vikings	MFL
18		Thunderbirds	MFL
19		Ericsson	AFO quarter finalists
20		Pakenham	Runners up 2005 AFO jnrs
21		Mornington Peninsula	New club
22	Perth - WA	Revolution Sharks	WA elite series
23		Nordic Wolves	WA elite series
24		Redbacks FC	WA juniors club
		Northam	Social competition (non-AFA at this stage)
25		WA Kookaburras	WA elite series
26		Dingoes	WA elite series
		Bunburry	Social competition (non-AFA at this stage)
	Adelaide - SA	SAAB-Adelaide Uni	Social competition (non-AFA at this stage)
	Hobart - TAS	Hobart	Social competition (non-AFA at this stage)

At present the AFA has 186 officially registered members with another 50-100 to become financial by mid-April coinciding with the hosting of the Australian Floorball Open (April 6th - 9th 2006).

This is the first season that licenses have been strictly organised and we expect the figure to rise by 50% the following year as the AFA Executive will have a full season to market the benefits and prices of its licenses and memberships.

EVENTS:

The AFA hosts the Australian Floorball Open each year in April as a lead up to the World Floorball Championships. In developing the sport nationwide, a potential point of debate, the location is shared from year to year and consequently the National association supervises the state body in organising the tournament.

IFF AFFILIATION:

In September 1996 the Australian Floorball Association applied for Provisional membership to the IFF. According to Rule 14.5 the AFA wishes to re-apply for Ordinary membership. In doing so the AFA recognises the 2006 IFF annual fee of 1500 CHF due 30th April 2006.

If any further details are required please contact the AFA office.

Kindest regards



Scott O'Brien
PRESIDENT
FLOORBALL AUSTRALIA