



## Membership Terms and Conditions:

When applying for Membership of Rural Youth Tasmania (RYT), the Member confirms they have read and agree to be bound by the Constitution of the organisation. A full copy of the Constitution is available within the members portal, however relevant information is included in this document.

### Membership of Organisation

- a. A person may become and remain a member of the Organisation:
  1. From his/her 15th birthday until 30 June in the year he/she turns 31; and/or
  2. Whilst holding an appointment by the Board to represent a special interest in one or more parts of the Organisation; and/or
  3. Whilst holding a position as State President or Vice President of the Organisation; and/or
  4. Is a member of an approved Organisation whose purpose and objectives align with those of Rural Youth Organisation of Tasmania Inc.
- b. To be admitted as a Member, every applicant for membership must:
  1. Execute and deliver to the Organisation an application for membership in the form which the Board determine; and
  2. Pay the annual subscription fixed by the Board from time to time.
- c. On receipt of the sum payable by or on behalf of the candidate as his/her first years' subscription, the candidate's name shall be entered into the register of members by the Public Officer or their nominee, whereupon the candidate becomes a member of the Organisation.
- d. A member may at any time resign from the Organisation by delivering, emailing or sending by post to the Public Officer notice of their resignation.
  1. A member's resignation is to be delivered fourteen (14) days prior to coming into effect.
- e. Membership terminates, irrespective of reason on the:
  1. Non-payment of subscription.
  2. Rejection of Working with Vulnerable People application.



## Annual subscriptions

- a. The annual subscription payable by members shall be such as may be determined by the Board from time to time.
- b. The annual subscription of a member is due and payable on or before 1 July each year.
- c. For existing and new members, if membership fee is paid on or before May 14 then the membership will be active for the current financial year only.
- d. If membership is paid after May 15, then the membership is automatically rolled over to the next financial year.

## Refund policy

RYT reserves the right to refuse requests for refunds.

## Security capabilities and policy for transmission of payment card details

All credit card transactions will be undertaken with best practice security. The RYT website does not capture or store credit card information. Payments will be processed using PayPal which is a secure electronic payment gateway service provider.

## Lapsing of membership

Any Member whose subscription is overdue for more than one (1) month will cease to be a member of RYT and will not be entitled to access any benefits and entitlements of membership.

## Membership obligations

- a. All members over the age of 16 are required to hold a current Working with Vulnerable People card. New members are permitted to join the organisation however they must provide application approval within 3 months of joining and are not permitted to stay overnight at events until such times. If approval is not advised by the due date, then the membership will be cancelled without further notice. Where a card expires during a membership period the member has 3 months to provide approval of renewed card however they are not permitted to stay overnight at events until approval is confirmed by the Department of Justice. If not received by the due date the membership will be cancelled without further notice.
- b. Member is aware that services provided will be a donation and under no circumstances will expect wages, salary, or benefits from the organisation. Furthermore, the Organisation acknowledges the member is a volunteer, not an employee and may provide services at will. The member will receive no employee benefits including disability, pay, workers compensation, or severance pay.



## Membership verification

All members are issued with a key ring for each financial year. When the key ring is shown the member will receive discounts at participating businesses and free entry to Agfest. In circumstances where you lose the key ring a reissue fee of \$10 is payable before replacement is issued. Please contact the Office on 03 6331 6154 or email [admin@ruralityouth.com.au](mailto:admin@ruralityouth.com.au).

RYT reserve the right to change the benefits and participating business that apply at any time without prior notice.

## Voting rights

All financial Members have the right to vote in Board Elections and at the Annual General meeting of RYT.

## Events

Members may be invited to events organised by the organisation and/or its clubs or our partners.

If you have paid to attend such an event, and wish to cancel, you must inform us 14 days or more before the event to be eligible to apply for a refund of the relevant fees paid. Cancellations after that date will not be refunded.

## Intellectual Property

All members at RYT agree to transfer all intellectual property rights and interests (including copyright) in any ideas or materials they create relating to their provision of voluntary membership with RYT. Also the member consents to the use by RYT of such creations in a manner reasonably contemplated by the voluntary services provided under this document. As a member also agree not to bring any claim for infringement of your moral rights in respect of that use.

## Conduct

RYT members agree to follow all policies and procedures of the organisation, including the RYT Code of Conduct. Failure to adhere the Membership Terms and Conditions, resulting in a formal complaint made against you, may result in disciplinary procedures and/or the termination of your membership.

## Personal information use and disclosure

RYT complies with all relevant Commonwealth and State legislation governing its operations.