



Membership Options 2016-2017

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South Queensland membership options for 2016-2017 are listed in the table below. North Queensland membership information is available at www.athleticsnorthqld.org.au

Each membership option has different benefits, restrictions and competition entry fees that apply. Please review all of the information available below to assist in selecting the most suitable membership option for you.

Each option provides membership until 30 September 2017 and includes coverage for Personal Accident Insurance under the National Insurance Program.

SUMMER 2016-2017		Eligibility				
		QA Track & Field Competitions	QLD Track & Field Championships	AUS Track & Field Championships	QLD Cross Country & Road Champs	Club Training & Competitions
PLATINUM \$220	VALUE Free entry into all QA events for the whole year. Great value for athletes who compete often.	FREE	FREE	✓	FREE	✓
TRADITIONAL \$110	FULL MEMBERSHIP Full track and field membership which is perfect for athletes who compete regularly.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DUAL \$55	DISCOUNTED FULL MEMBERSHIP Discounted full track and field membership available to members of other associations.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
BASE \$10	FLEXIBLE Basic membership option for casual competitors and for club training.	MAXIMUM OF 3 MEETS		✗	✓	✓
VOLUNTEER Free	Free membership option for club volunteers, technical officials, committee members and coaches.					

NOTE - Club membership fees are charged in addition to the QA membership fees listed above.

- **MINIMUM AGE** for track and field competition is **12 years as at 31 December 2017** (born 2005 or before). Younger athletes may join as a Base Member for club training and for access to cross country competitions.
- **DUAL MEMBERSHIP** is available to current members of **Little Athletics Queensland** (LAQ) aged 12-14 years as at 31 December 2017 (born 2005/2004/2003) and athletes in the LAQ U15 age group, **Queensland Masters Athletics** (QMA) and the **Trail Running Association of Queensland** (TRAQ). Refer to the Dual Membership section below for further details.
- **BASE MEMBERSHIP** allows athletes to compete in a **maximum of three QA track and field competitions** during the summer season, including QA Shield Meets and Queensland Championships. Higher event entry fees also apply. BASE members are **not eligible** to compete at the 2017 Australian Athletics Championships. Refer to the Base Membership section below for further details.
- **ENTRY FEES** for QA competitions and Queensland Championships vary for each membership option. Refer to the Competition Entry Fees section below for further details.

WINTER 2017		Eligibility				
		Winter/Spring Track & Field Meets	Cross Country & Road Walking Meets	QLD Cross Country & Road Champs	AUS Cross Country & Road Champs	Club Training & Competitions
BASE \$10	Membership option for athletes joining just for the 2017 winter season.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
VOLUNTEER Free	Free membership option for club volunteers, technical officials, committee members and coaches.					

NOTE - Club membership fees are charged in addition to the QA membership fees listed above.

Club Membership

When you register as a PLATINUM, TRADITIONAL, DUAL or VOLUNTEER member you **must also join an affiliated QA athletics club** at the same time. The only exception is for BASE membership where athletes may register directly with Queensland Athletics.

Club membership fees are charged in addition to the QA membership fees listed in the table above.

Club membership fees vary as do the services offered by each club. To make it easy for you to become a QA member and join a club at the same time, memberships for most clubs are taken online. QA membership fees and club fees are packaged together into one simple online transaction.

Competition Entry Fees

Entry fees for QA competitions and Queensland Championships vary for each membership option. Please refer to the tables below to assist in selecting the most suitable membership option for you.

QA SUMMER EVENT ENTRY FEES	PLATINUM	TRADITIONAL, DUAL & ANQ	BASE & INTERSTATE
QA Shield Meets (or similar)	FREE	\$15 / meet	\$25 / meet
QLD Track & Field Championships	FREE	\$20 / event (Maximum of \$80)	\$30 / event (Maximum of \$120)
QLD Combined Event Championships	FREE	\$40 / meet	\$60 / meet
QLD Track & Field Relay Championships	Entry fee per team. No individual entry.		
Events conducted by clubs or venues	Entry fees vary for each competition.		

QA WINTER EVENT ENTRY FEES	PLATINUM	TRADITIONAL, DUAL & ANQ	BASE & INTERSTATE
QLD Cross Country Championships	FREE	\$20 / event	\$20 / event
QLD Road Walking Championships	FREE	\$20 / event	\$20 / event
QLD Cross Country Relay Championships	Entry fee per team. No individual entry.		
Events conducted by clubs or venues	Entry fees vary for each competition.		

NOTE – Refer to entry information for each competition for more information and entry conditions.

Dual Membership

The DUAL membership option provides a **discounted full track and field membership** with Queensland Athletics for current members of the following associations:

- **Little Athletics Queensland (LAQ)**
Athletes aged 12-14 years as at 31 December 2017 (born 2005/2004/2003) and athletes in the LAQ U15 age group. Little A's membership is verified at the time of registration with Queensland Athletics.
- **Queensland Masters Athletics (QMA)**
- **Trail Running Association of Queensland (TRAQ)**

A DUAL membership provides all of the benefits of a full TRADITIONAL membership for only half the price, **saving a total of \$55**.

Please Note - Little A's, QMA and TRAQ athletes that don't intend on competing more than three times during the QA summer season, or attending the 2017 Australian Athletics Championships, may still choose to register as a BASE member instead. Base members are eligible to compete, with no restrictions, in all club conducted competitions and all QA cross country and road events. Base membership is also a cost effective option for athletes that are looking to try a couple of QA Shield events or perhaps just compete at the Queensland Championships.

Base Membership

The BASE membership is a low-cost option for casual QA competitors, athletes that train or compete at a club level only, and for new athletes that are unsure about committing to a full membership straight away. BASE members are able to participate with no restrictions in all:

- Club training and activities
- Club conducted competitions
- QA cross country and road events
- School based competitions

BASE membership is also a suitable and cost effective option for Little A's, QMA and TRAQ that are looking to try a couple of QA competitions or perhaps just compete at the Queensland Championships.

As the initial membership fee is so low, there are a couple of **restrictions on BASE members** as outlined below:

- May compete in a **maximum of three QA track and field competitions** during the summer season, including QA Shield Meets and Queensland Championships. Higher event entry fees also apply
- **Not eligible** to compete at the 2017 Australian Athletics Championships (U14-Open).

Upgrades

BASE members will be able to upgrade to a full TRADITIONAL/PLATINUM membership at any stage during the summer season if they find that would like to compete in more QA competitions or continue on to the 2017 Australian Athletics Championships. Refer to the Upgrades section below for further details.

Bib Numbers

Every athlete that registers as a member of QA will be allocated **2017 bib numbers** which are to be worn while competing at all QA events during year. Please discard all previous QA bib numbers you may have as you will only be permitted to wear your new 2017 bib numbers during the 2016-2017 year.

Bib numbers are available for collection at your first QA competition. Postage of bib numbers is only available upon request (see below).

Postage of Bib Numbers

Athletes who live outside of South-East Queensland, or who will not be competing regularly at QA events, may request to have their bib numbers posted to them as outlined below.

- PLATINUM / TRADITIONAL / DUAL MEMBERS

Cost: Free

If you do not intend to compete at a QA event within the next 14 days, please contact us to request postage of your bib numbers. Alternatively, simply collect your bib numbers at your first QA event.

- BASE MEMBERS

Cost: \$6.00

If you do not intend to compete at a QA event within the next 14 days, please order and pay for postage through our online shop - <https://qldathletics.shopdesq.com/post-my-bib-numbers> Alternatively, simply collect your bib numbers for free at your first QA event.

Replacement Bib Numbers

If an athlete misplaces their bib numbers or forgets to bring them to a QA competition, replacement bib numbers must be purchased. Replacement bib numbers cost \$5.00 when collected at a QA competition or \$6.00 if postage is required. Please contact us to request replacement numbers, or simply purchase new numbers at your next QA event.

Upgrades & Club Transfers

Members may upgrade their QA membership type to a higher level at any time during the registration year. Upgrades cannot be processed online so please contact us to arrange this.

Upgrade fees are listed below and include a \$10 administration fee.

Base	→	Dual	\$ 55
Base	→	Traditional	\$ 110
Base	→	Platinum	\$ 220
Dual	→	Traditional	\$ 65
Dual	→	Platinum	\$ 175
Traditional	→	Platinum	\$ 120

There may also be differences between club fees for each membership type so please check with your club as well to see if any further club fees also required to complete the upgrade.

Note - Members are not permitted to 'down-grade' their membership to a lower level or cancel their membership to receive a refund during the registration year.

Club Transfers

If you have already registered with a club for the 2016-2017 year and wish to **transfer your membership to another club**, please contact us.