# Disc Golf NL Membership Policy

### **Preface**

- 1. Membership to Disc Golf Newfoundland and Labrador (Disc Golf NL or "the Association") shall be open to all persons on the condition that they have paid their annual membership dues and uphold the spirit of the game.
- 2. A member in good standing is one that has paid their annual membership dues for the given year and is otherwise wholly compliant with Disc Golf NL bylaws and policies.
- 3. Membership dues are used to cover administration costs and membership benefits, as well as support Disc Golf NL outreach, event, and course initiatives.

# Membership Types

4. Individuals seeking membership with Disc Golf NL may join directly through Disc Golf NL (Individual Membership) or through an approved affiliate club (Club Membership).

## **Individual Memberships**

- 5. Individual membership includes voting rights and responsibilities, as outlined in the Disc Golf NL Bylaws and this policy document, and any benefits determined by the Board of Directors.
- 6. Membership is active when registration is completed through the Disc Golf NL registration portal, including payment of annual dues.

## Club Memberships

- 7. Club memberships are special memberships for members of an approved affiliate disc golf club.
- 8. Affiliate clubs pay a flat rate for an initial number of members and then a per member rate for every member thereafter.
- 9. All club members have the full membership rights and responsibilities of an individual Disc Golf NL member.

# Membership Benefits

- 10. Specific benefits for the subsequent year's Disc Golf NL membership will be outlined at the Annual General Meeting and will be posted to the registration page of discgolfnl.com.
- 11. Membership benefits may include, but are not limited to:
  - Access to all Disc Golf NL events, including, but not limited to, tournaments, leagues, and clinics
  - BFL Canada group Insurance provided by Sport NL
  - Discounts from brick-and-mortar and online retailers
  - Discount on PDGA membership
  - Free or discounted merchandise, including bag tags
  - Eligibility for the Disc Golf NL Provincial Championships

### **Dues Schedule**

- 12. Individual membership rates will be determined by the Board of Directors, announced at the Annual General Meeting, and posted to the Disc Golf NL website.
- 13. Club membership rates will be determined by the Board of Directors, announced at the Annual General Meeting, and disseminated to representatives of the affiliate clubs.
- 14. Individual membership dues must be paid to Disc Golf NL through the registration portal.
- 15. Club members who have paid membership dues to an affiliate club are responsible for registering for Disc Golf NL membership at the registration portal.
- 16. Memberships run from January 1 to December 31 of a calendar year. There is no carry-over to a subsequent year if a membership is purchased during the year.

# Responsibilities

- 17. Membership with Disc Golf NL includes the following responsibilities:
  - Maintaining active member status and dues
  - Supporting Disc Golf NL, its sponsors, members and friends
  - Assisting new players and visitors
  - Abiding by PDGA and Disc Golf NL policies, including following codes of conduct, rules of courtesy, integrity, and responsibility.

# Suspension of Membership

- 18. The Board of Directors may suspend the membership of any member by three-quarters majority vote at a Board Meeting. The suspension shall be at the discretion of the board. Refer to Disc Golf NL bylaws for further details.
- 19. Reasons for suspending a member include, but are not limited to:
  - Repeated unsportsmanlike conduct, such as cursing, throwing objects in anger (other than discs), excessive displays of anger, overt rudeness, threats or willful physical harm to anyone present.
  - Willful destruction or harming of park property, plant life, or wildlife.
  - A willful attempt to circumvent the rules.
  - Activities that are in violation of the law, park regulations, or Disc Golf NL policies.

Board Member Code of Conduct ratified by Disc Golf NL Board of Directors on DATE.