

#### **AFL MASTERS HALL OF FAME GUIDELINES**

Effective 7 December 2024

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7 December 2024

### Applicable to

This policy is applicable to AFL Masters Inc.

#### **Purpose**

Each Year the National Board will consider up to three people to be inducted into the AFL Masters National Hall of Fame. Its intention is to recognise the those who have given outstanding service to AFL Masters.

### Background

The Hall of Fame was implemented by the National Board in 1997 to recognise the outstanding personal contributions of players, umpires, administrators and supporters to the development of Superules and subsequently AFL Masters since its inception in 1980. In the first year the nine member associations were each asked to nominate the person they thought had made the most significant contribution to their State/Territory game. These nine nominations were officially inducted at the Inaugural Hall of Fame Dinner at the Geelong Football Club during the 1997 National Carnival. In 1998 and 1999, in order to maintain the prestige of the award, only five nominations were inducted into the AFL Masters Hall of Fame. In year 2000 only two people were selected and in year 2001 the Hall of Fame Selection Committee extended the rules to induct up to three new members each year. The induction of Hall of Fame nominees is held at a formal cocktail function during the National Carnival and all AFL Masters supporters are welcome to attend. Member Associations are asked to support the occasion by each committing at least two tables for the event.

### **Objective**

To recognise outstanding service by an individual to AFL Masters.

# **Principles**

- 1. It is an award, NOT A RIGHT OR A MILESTONE.
- 2. Outstanding service is defined as a contribution which:
  - is above normal expectation
  - demonstrates commitment
  - and sustained over a significant time frame

#### Guidelines

- 1. Players, umpires, administrators and supporters are eligible for nomination.
- 2. There is no restriction on the number of times a person can be nominated.

- 3. An independent panel will receive nominations from the Member States and Territories via the General Manager and make recommendations to the National Board.
- 4. Each State/Territory can nominate up to only one person per year.
- 5. Up to three nominations will be inducted into the Hall of Fame each year.
- 6. Nominees are expected to have completed 15 years' involvement in Superules/Masters Australian Football/AFL Masters.
- 7. Simply playing at many carnivals is not considered outstanding service.
- 8. The decision of the National Board is final.

## **Review of Guidelines**

These guidelines will be reviewed every two years, by the National Board, or sooner if warranted by internal or external events or changes.

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