



*The voice of Irish sport*

The Federation of Irish Sport was established by Ireland's sporting organisations in April 2002 to provide leadership, co-ordination, support and direction on key issues facing sport, while also representing the views and interests of sport to the government. The mission of the Federation is, as the definitive independent leadership voice for sport in Ireland, to be the most relevant membership body for sport organisations.

### **Why join the Federation of Irish Sport?**

#### **For the campaigning we can do on your behalf:**

- Become part of a powerful community – join our 100+ member organisations, which range from The GAA and Basketball Ireland right across to the Horseshoe pitchers of Ireland and 27 Local Sports Partnerships across the island.
- We are the voice of Irish Sport – We work to ensure that your opinions are taken notice of by adding your voice to those of the rest of sport and physical activity. Is your organisation encountering problems because of government policy or bureaucracy? Let us know and we will work to change things.
- Contribute as part of one of the Federations members and drive debate and policy on behalf of the sector.
- Learn about and respond to European and Irish government proposals which might affect your sport and activity, helping you stay ahead of the game.

### **Member Services**

- Insurance assistance via our partners
- Sport Dispute Solutions Ireland - Mediation and Arbitration service, advice
- Quarterly Seminars & Networking opportunities- topics relevant to NGBs
- Annual Conference- 300 delegates from sport, industry and international speakers
- Discounts- Legal, Accounting, Auditing, Insurance, Digital Media, Ticketing management
- Monthly Newsletter- member profiles and updates from the world of Sport and Physical Activity
- Promotion of organisations work/events through website and social media
- Advice- access to knowledge of industry and other sports
- Garda Vetting Service- access to vetting for niche/emerging NGBs

## **Advocacy on behalf of members**

- Sport Matters
  - Representation to Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
  - Topical member events with government member representation
  - Face to face Meetings with DTTAS officials
  - Presence on National Sports Leadership Group working to oversee the implementation of the National Sports Policy
- Sport Policy submission to government
- Representation to Joint Oireachtas committee for Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Representation to cross sector of relevant government departments such as Health, Education, Rural & Community Development.

## **Key Annual Initiatives**

- 20x20 Campaign for Women in Sport
- Volunteers in Sport Awards
- National Sport Industry Awards
- Member seminars/events

## **Applications for membership:**

Organisations desiring to be admitted as a member of the Federation shall apply in writing to the CEO detailing the category of membership for which the application is being made together with confirmation of the number of members and accompanied by the following:

- The constitution or governing rules of the organisation;
- An overview of the governance structure of the organisation;
- Contact details for the organisations' officers and/or principal administrators;
- Written confirmation, where applicable, from Sport Ireland confirming that the organisation is recognised by it as a NGB or where, the applicant organisation is not an NGB as recognised by Sport Ireland a copy of its most recent annual accounts, a statement of activities together with details, to include location and number, of affiliated clubs and/or participants;
- The annual subscription or the pro rata proportion thereof applicable at the time of such application: and
- Any other information or documents that may be required from time to time by the CEO or the Board.

## Categories of Membership:

Membership is divided into five sub-categories:

1. NGBs with membership in excess of 75,000 members involved in the relevant sport.
2. NGBs with between 20,000 and 75,000 members involved in the relevant sport.
3. NGBs with between 10,000 and 20, 000 members involved in the relevant sport.
4. NGBs with less than 10,000 members involved in the relevant sport.
5. Local Sports Partnerships as recognised by the Irish Sports Council and other not for profit sports organisations whether incorporated or not, whose principal objective is the promotion of sport to be admitted at the discretion of the Board.

### MEMBERSHIP RATES

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Each member organisation must also pay the Sport Matters Levy, which is an additional fee charged annually to the below membership rates and is calculated based on overall income.

#### Category 1

€1,000

- **Class of Membership**

- NGBs with membership in excess of 75,000 members involved in the relevant sport.

#### Category 2

€500

- **Class of Membership**

- NGBs with between 20,000 and 75,000 members involved in the relevant sport.

#### Category 3

€300

- **Class of Membership**

- NGBs with between 10,000 and 20, 000 members involved in the relevant sport.

#### Category 4

€150

- **Class of Membership**

- NGBs with less than 10,000 members involved in the relevant sport.

#### Category 5

€150

- **Class of Membership**

- Local Sports Partnerships as recognised by the Irish Sports Council and other not for profit sports organisations whether incorporated or not, whose principal objective is the promotion of sport to be admitted at the discretion of the Board.

**Addition of a levy on income to be determined based on income;**

€	€
0 – 25,000	25
25,000 - 50,000	50
50,000 – 100,000	75
100,000 – 200,000	150
200,000 – 500,000	200
500,000 – 1 million	500
1 – 1.5 million	1000
1.5 – 3 million	1,250
>3,000,000	1,500
>20,000,000	5000
LSP -	200