



Australian Flyball Association

National (AFA) Committee Protocol Policy

The National Committee Protocol Policy was passed by Committee members voting at the AFA National Committee Ordinary Meeting on 6th June 2016.

The Policy requires:

1 Confidentiality. All Committee correspondence and discussion shall remain confidential within the committee except as approved to be released by simple majority of committee members present and voting. Examples of such include committee minutes of meetings and notifications to members which are confidential until approved for release.

2 Respect. Committee members shall, in both verbal and written communication, avoid using language or tone intended to humiliate or offend. Because of their position, Committee members will be held to a higher standard than ordinary members under Policy 8 – Anti Bullying Policy.

3 Impartiality. Committee Members shall in conducting committee business ensure that they act for the benefit of all AFA members, which means they shall not promote the interests of their club over and above those of the general membership. This does not preclude them from making comment during discussions that could be seen as beneficial to their interests, but in any voting or decision process, they must consider the benefit of the general membership over their personal interests.

4 Conflict of Interest. Where appropriate, Committee Members shall declare when they believe they have a conflict of interest and, unless otherwise advised by the committee shall refrain from voting on that issue. Whether or not they may be involved in discussion prior to the vote shall be decided by the Committee on a case by case basis.

5 Breaches. Committee Members breaching the Committee Protocol may be subject to sanction including suspension from the Committee business for an agreed period, under simple majority of Committee members present and voting. Further, any AFA Member discussing or circulating confidential Committee discussions or correspondence outside the Committee shall be subject to discipline under the AFA Constitution. This includes both the source of the information as well as any person using that information in any way.

Signed: R. Mellon, President (2016)

I, _____ as an AFA Committee member for the 2024-25 year hereby agree to abide by the requirements of the National (AFA) Committee Protocol Policy and acknowledge by signing below that I am fully aware of the consequences if I breach the policy.

Signature

Date