

HOLLANDSE CLUB

ABSENT MEMBERSHIP TERMS & CONDITIONS

General

- Absent Membership is available to any Ordinary Member, Associate Member, Singapore Member or any Member holding a Transferable Membership who is intending to leave Singapore for a period exceeding six (6) months.
- Proof of mailing and a forwarding address must be provided to facilitate the conversion to Absent Membership status.
- A member is only eligible for Absent Membership after having been a lifetime member for one (1) full year and having paid all monthly contributions in full during that year and having no outstanding debt to the Club. A Member who has not been a member for one (1) full year may opt to pay in lump sum the remaining months from his membership to fulfil the minimum one (1) year requirement.
- The applicant shall complete all forms: Absent Membership Application Form and signed Terms & Conditions.
- The Absent Membership shall commence after serving 30 days' notice from receipt of the Absent Membership Application Form.
- Absent Membership shall be automatically renewed on an annual basis.
- It is the Members' responsibility to ensure that their contact details are kept up to date with the Club.

Rights & Benefits

- An Absent Member has no voting rights within the Club (Article 7.6.8).
- An Absent Membership status is not transferable, although an underlying Transferable Membership which is in Absent Membership may be transferred as explained below.
- No Absent Member may remain on the Absent Member list whilst residing in Singapore. Upon returning to Singapore to reside, the Absent Member must resume their previous Membership status by giving written notice to the Hollandse Club, and paying the compulsory fees, deposit and administration fee as required.
- An Absent Member enjoys 30 days' full access to the Club's facilities and amenities, including participation in the Club's events, classes, and food & beverage at members' rates.
- An Absent Member has full access to the Reciprocal Clubs and the IAC Reciprocal Club Network, providing a letter of Introduction is provided by the Club.
- Guests may be introduced in accordance with the Club's guest policy. All members are required to register their guests at Reception on entry to the Club, and to pay the appropriate fee.

¹A change to this Rule was presented at the AGM on 10 March 2020 pursuant to the Main Committee's undertaking to do so in response to member requests at the EGM in May 2019 at which the new rules for Absent Membership were first approved. The change clarified that Absent Members 'will be entitled to vote on a proposed change to these Rules & Regulations which, if implemented, would affect their rights on dissolution and/or as Members of the Club'. As a quorum was not reached to pass this change, this rule still needs to be approved by the Membership before the Rule can be changed. The Main Committee intends to bring this change for vote at the first opportunity in the future.

Payment

- Each year an annual subscription fee of SGD \$236 (for couple/ families) or SGD \$150 (for single) is required. When transferring to Absent Membership, the same type of subscription must apply, as was held previously (a Family Lifetime Membership move to a Family Absent Membership)
- The annual fee may be changed by the Main Committee at any time.

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- The annual fee will be charged on 1 December each year. Payment may be made through online payments or bank transfer by 31 March. An administration charge of \$100, as well as the outstanding annual fee(s) will apply to all Absent Members that fail to pay on time but wish to resume their Absent Membership. If the Absent Member is in arrears for 3 years or more, he shall be taken off the Absent Members' List and his membership terminated, with all rights forfeited.
- The annual subscription fee will be pro-rated in the year the Member becomes absent in line with his/her last day at the Club.
- A one-time refundable deposit of SGD \$700 (for single) or SGD \$1000 (for couples/families) is payable before the start of membership unless the appropriate deposit is already held by the Club. This deposit is held by the Club during the period of absence. It is only refundable upon resignation from the Club, and after the deduction of any outstanding debts to the Club.
- Prior to transfer to Absent Membership all outstanding balances must be settled.
- Sale of Ordinary (Lifetime Transferable) Membership (as applicable) is subject to a minimum transfer fee payable to the Club, of 25% or \$1250, whichever is the greater, unless determined otherwise by the Main Committee.

Sale of Ordinary (Lifetime Transferable) Membership

- During Absent Membership, the Member may decide to sell their Ordinary (Lifetime Transferable) Membership. To do this they may register their Lifetime Membership on the Club's Sellers List, where it will be placed on the secondary market to be sold as an active (i.e. non-Absent) Lifetime Membership. They must be a fully paid up Absent Member at the time of sale.

Resignation

- Advance 7 days' notice is required if you are resigning from Absent Membership. This notice commences from the date the Club receives the Member's resignation form, subject to Article 24 of the Club's Rules & Regulations.
- After resignation, the membership will be terminated and access to (and usage of) the facilities of the Hollandse Club is no longer allowed.
- At the end of the Absent Membership period the Hollandse Club will be entitled, without giving any prior written notice, to compensate any outstanding sums due to the Hollandse Club with the refundable deposit referred to above. In case the sums due to the Hollandse Club exceed the amount of the refundable deposit, the Hollandse Club will maintain its rights to claim such balance.

Further to the above stated Terms & Conditions, Absent Membership is subject to the Hollandse Club's Rules & Regulations and Bye-Laws and any further amendments thereof.

I acknowledge that I have read and have agreed with the Terms & Conditions of Absent Membership.

Full Name

Date

Signature