

## SQUAD AGREEMENT (ATHLETE'S 18YRS+) 2021 / 2022 SEASON



### TRAINING EXPECTATIONS

- Training is compulsory and a season-long commitment. The season runs from 1st of November to 31st of October of each year. Poor attendance may affect your position in the squad.
- WAG / MAG and ACR Squads are a disciplined stream of gymnastics and work towards a high standard. Coaches have an expectation of good quality training, encouraging that all gymnasts always give it their best.
- The philosophy of being a part of the squad means all members must agree to follow the rules, policies and procedures which govern West Coast Gymnasts. If, at any time, members cannot be a supportive and positive force in and outside of the gym, the athlete's position in the squad will be relinquished. As per the Codes of Conduct, negative talk to other athletes and parents outside of the facility, in the foyer or seating area may put a member's place on the squad in jeopardy.
- All Codes of Conduct must be strictly adhered to at all times. These are viewable on the website and applies to athletes, coaches, parents/guardians, spectators, judges, and associate members.
- Spectating in the Senior Gym foyer is strictly limited to 20 minutes at the start of training and 20 minutes at the end of training (dependent on covid restrictions amended from time to time).
- The gym floor is the domain of committee members, staff, gymnasts & coaches only. Parents and siblings are not to enter the training area unless invited by the coach.
- Athletes who are injured, depending on the severity of the injury, may still be asked to train, whether it be for a modified program, or to simply work on strength and conditioning. This will be based on the individual athlete's injury.
- Scheduled holiday breaks will be provided during the season - these dates will be set by management once the Gymnastics WA calendar has been finalised and sent to us.

### COMPETITION EXPECTATIONS

- Competitions, an important and fundamental aspect of any gymnastics career, provides an athlete with the opportunity to showcase their hard work and skill development. There is an expectation that at competitions, all gymnasts give it their best, enjoy their time performing and learn from the experience. More information regarding competitions can be found in our Club Squad Handbook.

Competing is compulsory (except for Interclub, Pre Dev and Dev Groups) as there are team events held throughout the year. Booking online for these competitions will only be available via the Customer Portal. Payment must be made at the time of booking via the Portal prior to the Club's official closing date. Late fees may apply up to 3 days after the closing date. After the 3 days has lapsed, no further entries will be permitted. The competition cost includes the fee to enter the athlete plus a levy which supports coach and judge wages/payments, as well as the administration costs involved to enter athletes.

Notifications will be emailed to squad athletes when registrations open. It is the athlete's responsibility to make the bookings prior to the deadline.

- Gymnasts taking holidays (or a leave of absence) during the competition season may need permission from their coach to take time off as failing to attend competitions could jeopardise the team.
- Gymnasts will be required to purchase club uniform (eg leotards, tracksuit and tshirt) so that they are dressed appropriately wearing Club colours.
- It will be at the discretion of the individual's coach as to what level and stream (national, state or interclub) each athlete will compete at.
- All athletes, spectators, parents and guardians must follow the rules and etiquette outlined for competitions. This includes not speaking to judges before, during or after the competition.

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## PHOTOGRAPHIC PERMISSION

- Camera surveillance is used at both facilities and images captured by these cameras may be used at any time during the season. This includes, but is not limited to, live streaming to the Junior Gym for parent viewing and for purposes of security review/coach and athlete education.
- Employees and agents of West Coast Gymnasts may take photographs and videos during training and at events for use on the Club's website, in publications and for educational and promotional purposes.
- Photographic permission will also be required at competitions, either held by Gymnastics WA or other clubs. It is important to note that should an athlete not approve photographic permission for Gymnastics WA events, the event becomes a closed session, and no spectator will be permitted to use cameras or videos at any time during the session.
- By ticking the boxes below, you give consent for your image to be taken and be used for any of the abovementioned reasons.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, my image can be used for promotional purposes (eg, website, publications, TV adverts, social media)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, my image can be taken at events or competitions during the year (eg. GWA competitions)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, my image can be used for social media posts (Facebook and Instagram) after a competition to congratulate our athletes' performance.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, my image may be used for training and educational purposes.

<input type="checkbox"/>	No, I do not wish for my image to be used for any purposes mentioned above.
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## COMMUNICATIONS

- The Customer Portal (either web based or via the app) is an integral part of the Club's communication system and will need to remain updated and regularly viewed to ensure communication is maintained between the club, the coaches, the parents and the athletes. The primary email address on file must remain valid and "subscribed" to email blasts. If a primary email address is found unsubscribed, the club reserves the right to subscribe that email address to ensure that all blasts are being delivered.
- Should a query arise regarding the athlete's fees, questions will need to be directly expressed to the Club's Treasurer, Kath Arendt via email: [accounts@westcoastgym.org](mailto:accounts@westcoastgym.org) or by calling 9249 3535.
- To ensure communication is kept open, it is the account holder's responsibility to ensure that their contact details remain valid.
- Athletes are to establish a good partnership with their coach and support a healthy training environment under which the athlete can flourish. When seeking to resolve issues, athletes must do so in a professional and calm manner.

## MEDICAL

- In the event of an emergency or accident, you give permission to receive medical assistance (including an ambulance being called) and agree to pay for such costs incurred.
- The club does not administer any medications, under any circumstances, therefore this will be your own responsibility.
- If you have any medical issues that the club needs to be aware of, it is the responsibility of the member to ensure this information is both noted on the Portal, and mentioned to the coach.
- If an athlete has an Action Plan provided by their GP, then a copy must be provided to the club so that all staff are aware of the gymnasts' medical conditions.

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## FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS (Please see our Fees Policy for further clarification of your financial obligations)

- A condition of being a squad member requires a bank card number on file (AutoPay via the Portal). It is the responsibility of the account holder to ensure that the credit card details kept on file are accurate, valid, and kept up to date.
- Invoices for fees are generated monthly and are payable within 7 days from the date of invoice. Any accounts overdue more than 7 days will result in late fees being applied. Overdue accounts more than 7 days due from the date of invoice, may result in the athlete being suspended from class. No refunds are issued should this occur.
- Fees are calculated by using an hourly rate x number of hours per session x number of sessions in the calendar month. Therefore, the club has authority to take payment from the card details held on file on, or after, the due date. The club also has authority to vary the amounts per month based on the calendar for 2021/2022.
- No athlete will be entered into any events or be able to participate in an event if the member is not financial.
- Athletes over 18yrs are to fulfill all the time and financial obligations such as training fees, registration fees, competition fees, apparel and other obligations related to their participation. The Fees Policy, readily available on the club's website and on the Customer Portal, further outlines all expectations/obligations.
- All claims for a credit on your account must accompany a medical certificate. Credits can only be processed upon a medical certificate.
- An Annual Membership and Insurance Registration Fee will be charged in December 2021 in preparation for the 2022 calendar year. This fee also includes personal accident insurance through Gymnastics Australia's Insurer, Marsh Advantage.
- An Annual Equipment Levy is due and payable per family around March/April 2022 which contributes towards the purchase of very expensive and much needed equipment. This fee is non-refundable and not pro rata, should an athlete terminate their membership at any time during the season.
- A Fundraising Levy will be invoiced to each account holder per semester if they choose to opt out of participating in events. A list of events will be provided early 2022 and will give all families the chance to decide which activities they'd like to be a part of.
- If a member of West Coast Gymnasts wishes to withdraw their membership or cease training, 4 week's written notice must be provided in writing. During this time, all fees are still due and payable.

## AGREEMENT TO TERMS

These Terms and Conditions constitute a legally binding agreement made between you and West Coast Gymnasts, concerning your membership at the club and that of being part of a squad.

- You agree that by accepting your invitation to be part of a squad, you have read, understood, and agree to be bound by all the terms and conditions, Policies and Procedures that constitute membership at West Coast Gymnasts.
- You have visited the Club's website and read, understood, and agree to the items mentioned in the Club Handbooks.
- You agree that supplemental terms and conditions or documents may be posted on the Club's website [www.westcoastgym.org](http://www.westcoastgym.org) from time to time and that you agree to these when required.
- You understand and agree that the Club reserves the right to make changes or modifications to its terms and conditions at any time and for any reason. You acknowledge that it is your responsibility to regularly review these terms and conditions to stay informed of updates and that continued membership of the Club implies that you agree to these changes and updates of its Policies and Procedures.
- You agree that the Club has authority to take payment from the credit card details held on file on the due date. The club also has authority to vary the amounts per month based on the calendar for 2021/2022.
- You agree to fulfill all the time and financial obligations such as training fees, registration fees, competition fees, apparel and other obligations related to the athlete's participation.

Athlete Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Athlete's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this agreement form to the West Coast Gymnasts' office. Please remember that gymnasts will not be permitted to train in their squad until this form has been signed and returned to the Club. It is important for the success of the program that all members sign this agreement form so that misunderstandings will be minimised.