**TGA FEES POLICY**

Your club membership and training fees contribute towards running costs including Gymnastics Australia affiliation, rent, wages, electricity, water, insurance, equipment, chalk, office supplies etc. Prompt payment of your fees assists us to meet our financial obligations.

**If you have any difficulty meeting your financial obligations please contact the Club Manager as soon as possible so that we can arrange an alternative payment plan.**

**METHOD OF PAYMENT**

Fees MUST be paid per term by direct deposit, direct debit or using our card facilities in the office. Should fee’s not be paid by week 2 of each term will be automatically set up with Ezidebit for our direct debit system .

Our banking details for direct deposit are:

TERRITORY GYMNASTICS ACADEMY INC.

BSB: 633-000

ACC: 153352844

REF: Surname of Athlete

Please do not ask the coaching staff to take your payments as they are generally very busy and they may not know the correct procedure in recording your payment.

**ANNUAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION FEE**

A non-refundable annual membership and registration fee is due in its entirety on 1st

January each year regardless of how long a gymnast stays at the club.

Membership & Registration fees are pro-rate dependant of month of starting .

**RECREATIONAL TRAINING FEES**

Recreational Training Fees are invoiced per term. Fees are calculated on a term basis (taking into account public holidays), with typically 9-11 weeks in each term, generally aligned with public school terms. As such, term fees may vary from term to term but the per lesson charge is unchanged. Fees are due prior to commencement of each term. In fairness to our waitlists please note that a gymnast’s position is not secured or held after the due date if fees have not been paid. Public Holidays are also deducted from your term fee invoice as there will be NO recreational classes on public holidays.

Your space is secured for the full year , unless otherwise informed of your non return you will be invoiced for each term . Fee’s can also be paid using our direct debit system on a fortnightly basis , this can be set up by contact Michelle in the office or by email : ifo@tgadarwin.com

**COMPETITIVE TRAINING FEES**

The training fee structure follows the basic principle of the more hours undertaken by a gymnast, the lower the hourly rate. Training fees do not include costs for events, travel, coaches travel costs , level badges or any uniform items.

The fees are applied for the coaching/tuition provided and use of the Club’s gymnastics related equipment.

Training fees are by direct debit or per term .

Should you choose to pay your full year’s training fees then a 5% discount will be given.

Competitive gymnasts training may pay via 11 monthly payments. Training fees are debited from an account of your choice on 24th of each month from January to November or on a more suitable date advised by yourself .

Please note that should your direct debit fail more than 3 times then the balance will be due and you will then be asked to pay by term .

Team fees are calculated on an annual basis and divided evenly over 11 months. This means, regardless of holidays and public holidays, fees are payable on a monthly basis. Team fees are non-refundable and are only adjusted for prolonged (more than 4 weeks) illness or injury (upon the presentation of a medical certificate).

The formula used is as follows:

$ Per hr x hrs per week x no. of weeks training (48wks for 2020)

divided by 11 payments

**TERM DATES**

Recreational gymnastics programs generally align with NT Department of Education school terms. Recreational gymnastics programs are not held on public holidays and fees are adjusted accordingly.

Competitive gymnasts are advised at the commencement of each year of the training schedule. Competitive gymnasts train throughout the year with a breaks during school holidays. Public holidays are generally non-training days however dependent on competition and training schedules training may be scheduled.

**DISCOUNTS**

Payments of a full year competitive training fees received by the end of week 3 of term 1 are entitled to a 5% discount on the total amount.

The club offers families a sibling discount to the term tuition component of costs, applied to the lesser account. This discount is a reduction of 5% for a second gymnast and 10% for each sibling after.

**HOURS OF TRAINING**

Gymnasts enrol in a particular Team or class and must attend and pay for all the hours set for that group. Gymnasts cannot train in more than 1 team and non-attendance at general training sessions does not qualify an athlete for a refund, transfer, credit or exchange against fees paid. Make up classes can only be offered for recreational classes should there be space in other classes . IF classes are full then no make ups can be offered.

**CLEANING LEVY**

There is a $15 per term per family cleaning levy . This covers cleaning of the full gym which also includes the dance space, toilets, kitchen & seating area on a twice weekly basis .

**NON-PAYMENT**

If outstanding fees and charges are not paid then the club reserves the right to refuse training privileges and/or the option of payment by installment revoked and a full year’s fees up front required. Should your direct debit fail 3 times then you will automatically be moved to pay by term .

**SICKNESS/INJURY/ABSENCE**

Gymnasts who miss training due to a serious injury or sickness for a period greater than 4 weeks may request a fee adjustment. Any fee adjustment is only upon written application to the Committee, accompanied by a medical certificate. A written Medical Clearance from the doctor, specialist or physiotherapist will be required when rehabilitation is complete.

Generally, there will be no fee adjustment for absence due to non-medical reasons. However, a written request for consideration of fee adjustment can be made to the Committee for absences greater than 4 weeks.

Make up classes can be offered in our recreational program ONLY IF spaces are available. If all classes are full then make ups cannot be offered

No refund or discount on fees is given for gymnasts away on gymnastics trips and tours.

**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

As a general rule there are no classes held on public holidays. However this is dependent on competitions, special events and training structure and training may be scheduled for competitive gymnasts.

**EXTREME WEATHER/CYCLONE/PANDEMICS**

**CANCELLATIONS OUTWITH OUR CONTROL**

In extreme weather conditions or for situations outwith TGA’s control (ie a pandemic arising) classes may be cancelled. There will be no fee adjustment or make up for classes missed due to circumstances outwith club control. This also applies to any classes cancelled thereafter due to clean up or for safety issues.

**CLASS CANCELLATION**

If a class is cancelled by the club for any reason, including due to extreme weather, class participants will be notified by email and FaceBook.

If a class is cancelled with less than 24 hours notice participants will also be notified by text message. ***Please ensure your details are always kept up-to-date with the Club Manager***.

If a class is cancelled by the club due to any other reason **other than extreme weather** **or pandemic** issues then a make-up class will be offered. If a make-up class cannot be held, a pro-rata adjusted credit of term fees will be made to your account. If you are unable to attend the make-up class offered there will be no fee adjustment for the class missed.

**COMPETITIONS**

All competition sessions are attended in lieu of a normal training session. Coaches will advise parents which training session will be cancelled for each competition. This is to ensure gymnasts are not over-tired or run down during competition season as well as to minimise additional costs to parents. The gymnast’s coach will attend these competitions as per a normal training session.

All competition entry fees and training fees must be paid prior to the competition in order for the gymnast to compete.

If your TGA fee’s are not paid up to date then your child will not compete .

Unless we are notified 6 weeks prior to the competition that a gymnast is no longer able to attend there are no refunds unless we are able to replace the gymnast (as host clubs do not generally issue refunds).

Normally flights booked for overseas / interstate travel are NON- refundable therefore should your child then not attend , flight costs will still be due however during the ongoing Covid pandemic most airlines will offer a credit or refund (this will be at the airlines discretion)

Any Coaching / Team Manager costs for interstate / oversea travel will be split equally between all gymnasts travelling .

**NOTICE OF DISCONTINUATION GYMNASTS**

The office requires **4 weeks written notification** for competitive gymnasts and **2 weeks written notice for recreational classes** of a decision not to continue training and usual training charges will apply for those 4 / 2 weeks of notice. Please note that this 4 / 2 weeks’ notice must include 4 / 2 weeks of actual training (holidays are not included in calculating the charge for the 4 weeks). The gymnast is most welcome to continue training during those 4 weeks of notice.

Should you NOT inform us then invoices will be raised for the weeks in that term that your space was held for you .

**No transfer will be approved unless all financial charges incurred as a TGA Team member are finalised.**

**CEASING AT OUR REQUEST**

If the club discontinues a program, withdraws a position or requests a member be removed from a program, the members’ account will be given a pro rata adjusted credit or refund for the balance of fees. Absence due to suspension as a disciplinary measure will not entitle the member to any refund or credit as a position in the class is being held for that person whilst on suspension. Should the member withdraw from the program during a period of suspension, the usual 4 / 2 week notice notification period will apply.

**ENROLMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR**

To confirm and hold your child’s place for following year , the annual Club Membership and Registration fee for the upcoming year must be paid by the 1st January