



GAELIC FOOTBALL & HURLING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALASIA INC.

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Everyone bound by this policy must treat people who identify as transgender fairly and with dignity and respect. This includes acting with sensitivity and respect where a person is undergoing gender transition. We will not tolerate any unlawful discrimination or harassment of a person who identifies as transgender or transsexual or who is thought to be transgender. Descriptions of the types of behaviour which could be regarded as transgender discrimination or harassment are provided in the Dictionary at clause 10 of the Associations **Member Protection Policy**.

The GFHAA recognises that the exclusion of transgender people from participation in sporting events has significant implications for their health, well-being and involvement in community life. In general the GFHAA will facilitate transgender persons participating in our sport with the gender with which they identify.

The GFHAA also recognises there is debate over whether a male to female transgender person obtains any physical advantage over other female participants. This debate is reflected in the divergent discrimination laws across the country. If issues of performance advantage arise, the GFHAA will seek advice on the application of those laws in the particular circumstances.

Drug testing procedures and prohibitions also apply to people who identify as transgender. A person receiving treatment involving a Prohibited Substance or Method, as described on the World Anti-Doping Agency's Prohibited List, should apply for a standard Therapeutic Use Exemption.

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