



# FEES AND REGULATIONS



## Membership Fees

(Appendix to Section 7.5 of the EWA Statutes)

### 1. Annual membership fee

The amount of the membership fees for full members is calculated on the basis of the annual visitor numbers across the entire facilities of the individual member companies and is adjusted annually in line with the consumer price index.

The annual membership fees are (as at 1 January 2026):

- for full members with over 500,000 visitors per annum: €1,020.00 (net),
- for full members with 100,000 to 500,000 visitors per annum: €510.00 (net),
- for associated members: €510.00 (net),
- for supporting members: €510.00 (net).

Honorary members are exempt from membership fees if they are affiliated with a member organisation.

The following sliding scale of discounts is granted for multiple memberships within an operator group:

- 3 to 5 member establishments: 20% discount per waterpark,
- 6 to 10 member establishments: 40% discount per waterpark,
- 11 or more member businesses: 60% discount per waterpark.

No contribution to the litigation fund will be levied for the time being.

Full members grant each member company free admission for two people at least once a year for information visits upon presentation of the member card. The definition of the scope of services (duration of stay) is at the discretion of the member waterpark. This entitlement is non-transferable.

### 2. Advertising levy

Unless otherwise determined by the General Meeting, the contribution for public relations work is:

- for full members with over 500,000 visitors per annum: €510.00 (net),
- for full members with 100,000 to 500,000 visitors per annum: €510.00 (net),
- for associate members: €510.00 (net),
- for supporting members €255.00 (net).



## ADMISSION GUIDELINES

(Appendix to § 5 No. 3 of the EWA Statutes)

### §1 Admission procedure

A decision on the written application for membership shall be taken within four weeks of receipt, either at the next Executive Committee meeting or by written ballot (in accordance with § 12 No. 5 of the Articles of Association).

### § 2 General admission requirements for full members

The business must have at least 100,000 visitors (individual guests) annually and comply with the hygiene and safety standards applicable across Europe or nationally.

### § 3 Proof of admission requirements for full members

Brochures and/or plans must be submitted with the application for membership. If it is not clear from these documents that the company meets the admission criteria, an inspection of the company will be carried out by one or more members of the Executive Board or by the Managing Director on behalf of the Executive Board.

### § 4 Special admission requirements for leisure and adventure pools (“indoor water parks”)

Leisure and adventure pools (“indoor water parks”) must have the following minimum facilities:

- an architectural design that differs significantly from conventional sports swimming pools in terms of both facilities and ambience,
- at least one slide of at least 75 m in length,
- at least five different water attractions,
- several pools with a total water surface area of at least 500 m<sup>2</sup>,
- spacious lounge and sunbathing areas,
- staffed catering facilities within the swimming area.

### § 5 Special admission requirements for ‘outdoor water parks’

‘Outdoor water parks’ are facilities that are largely situated on open, fenced-off grounds, for which an admission fee is charged. The minimum requirements for ‘outdoor water parks’ are:

- at least three different water slides,
- water play areas,
- at least five different types of water attractions (lazy river, wild river, etc.),
- catering facilities,
- there must be at least two to three pools with a total water surface area of 1,000 m<sup>2</sup>.



## § 6 Special requirements for thermal spas and health-oriented leisure pools

Thermal spas are health-oriented leisure pools and must meet the following minimum standards:

- several pools containing thermal and/or medicinal water with a total water surface area of at least 700 m<sup>2</sup>,
- pool shapes that are clearly distinguishable from sports swimming pools due to their amorphous forms,
- a range of saunas comprising at least four different types,
- on-site catering facilities within the bathing area,
- elaborate decoration and an architectural design that differs significantly from health- and therapy-oriented baths (spa and therapy baths) in the conventional sense,
- at least five different water attractions.

## § 7 Special admission requirements for sauna worlds

Sauna facilities must include:

- at least seven different sauna cabins, including at least one infusion sauna with 30 or more seats, and at least one steam room,
- approx. 1,500 m<sup>2</sup> total floor area,
- pools with at least 100 m<sup>2</sup> of water surface area,
- outdoor facilities,
- spacious and well-designed lounge and relaxation areas
- staff-assisted catering facilities,
- complementary wellness services (massages, treatments, beauty treatments, etc.).

## § 8 Admission of supporting members

Supporting membership is applied for by reference to affiliation with the businesses listed in § 4 No. 5 (2) or by demonstrating a particularly close connection to the waterpark and spa industry.

## § 9 Admission of associate members

Associate membership may be acquired by anyone who, on the basis of the status of financing and planning permission, intends to construct a water park within the meaning of § 4 to 6 of these admission guidelines.



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