

APPEALS

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1. Orienteering Australia (OA or the Federation) is committed to encouraging policies and practices which enable its members to receive justice and to this end for them to pursue reasonable avenues of appeal against any adverse decisions. OA will encourage its affiliated State and Territory organisations to undertake a similar commitment.
2. Power. The Board shall have the power to refer written appeals against decisions by a Misconduct Tribunal or Member Protection Tribunal, or any other individual or committee operating under the jurisdiction of Orienteering Australia, to an Appeals Committee, except as excluded under clause 4.
3. Investigation. Where the Board receives a written appeal against the decision of a Misconduct Tribunal or Member Protection Tribunal, or any other individual or committee operating under the jurisdiction of Orienteering Australia, to an Appeals Committee it shall refer the appeal to the appropriate Appeals Committee.
4. Exclusions. This policy shall not apply to appeals relating to the following matters:
 - (a) Matters which are covered by the Competition Rules, in particular those relating to the conduct of orienteering events.
 - (b) Matters covered by the Orienteering Australia Anti-Doping Policy.
 - (c) Matters relating to the selection of teams or squads. These are covered by a separate Selection Appeals policy.
5. **Appeals.** The Appeals Committee shall comprise the following three persons:
 - (a) The Chairperson shall be qualified for admission as a barrister or solicitor of the Supreme Court of a State or Territory of Australia appointed by the Board.
 - (b) One (1) person nominated by the Constituent Association of the appellant.
 - (c) One (1) other person not from the Constituent Association of the appellant, nominated by the Board.

The decision of the Appeals Committee in respect of such matters shall be final, unless further dealt with under the Conflict Resolution Policy.

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