
ALHF MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

All member groups and individual members are responsible for:

1. Abiding by the Constitution of the ALHF, the ALHF Safety and Authenticity Principles, and this Member Responsibilities statement (available on the ALHF website)
2. Paying membership fees on having their membership approved, and by the date due each year thereafter
3. Having adequate group rules and regulations covering health and safety, finance and administration
4. Maintaining proper membership records, and supplying membership lists to the ALHF annually or on request
5. Keeping a form of member register which contains the full name, contact address and date of joining/renewing for all members including any details required by law regarding weapons/weapon storage by the group or its members
6. Being aware of Prohibited Persons legislation in relation to re-enactment activities and/or weapons use in their state, taking reasonable steps to determine if members are subject to prohibition orders and managing any such memberships accordingly. Groups must advise the ALHF of such memberships, especially where a weapon exemption is provided under ALHF auspices/name e.g. Victoria
7. Being non-sectarian and non-political, and abiding by laws regarding racism, harassment, bullying and other forms of discrimination
8. Not wilfully acting in any way that might result in bringing the ALHF or the practice of historical re-enactment into disrepute
9. Obeying the laws of the land and providing information as necessary to enable ALHF to meet its legislative obligations (*see following page for legislative links pertinent to your state, and states you may visit for re-enactment activities*)
10. Dealing with and interacting with other re-enactors, clients and the general public in an ethical, professional and courteous manner
11. Portraying their chosen period/s as authentically as is reasonably possible
12. Informing the ALHF as soon as practicable of changes to contact details, or any other circumstances that may affect the ALHF
13. Notifying the ALHF committee of any proposed activities, events and meetings which may fall outside the terms of the Approved Activities Schedule (available on the ALHF website)

OTHER MATTERS

ABOUT INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

Under the ALHF Constitution, individual membership (membership not associated with being a member of a group) may be considered as a short-term solution for financial members who, through no fault of their own, find themselves without a group. It is granted at the discretion of the ALHF Committee (i.e. it must be requested and reasons provided, it is not automatic). Please contact the ALHF for further information if necessary.

ABOUT INFORMATION PRIVACY

ALHF uses personal information obtained during the renewal process:

- to supply membership information, such as membership cards and policy documents, to groups for distribution to members
- to generate reports on member demographics, where individual information is de-identified;
- to communicate with members as part of the ordinary business of the Federation;

The ALHF will not reveal personal details about members to third parties (including other ALHF members) without permission, except in cases where disclosure may be required by law, for example: where there are reasonable grounds to assume a serious offence has been committed; or in the case of a less serious offence when, on balance, the interests of the ALHF and its members would be served by providing the information.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

The following reference list of legislation (most recent versions are “as amended”) by no means covers all potential legal issues that groups may need to address. Information is current, to the best of our knowledge, as at 25 March 2019. However the law may change and it is important to check the State or Federal legislation websites for the most up-to-date information.

Member groups are responsible for knowing and abiding by the laws that apply to their activities in the jurisdiction(s) where they re-enact.

1. Commonwealth <https://www.legislation.gov.au/>
 - Anti-discrimination law – “unlawful discrimination” (and State laws)
 - Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991 – and related State codes and regulations
 - Work Health and Safety Act 2011 - ‘harmonised’ WHS laws in NSW, SA, QLD, TAS and NT. Own codes in ACT, WA and VIC.
 - Privacy Act 1988
 - Financial and tax laws and codes
2. NSW <http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/>
 - Firearms Act 1996 No 46, Firearms Regulation 2017 (includes permits for re-enactment)
 - Weapons Prohibition Act 1998 No 127, Weapons Prohibition Regulation 2017
 - Associations Incorporation Act
3. Victoria - <http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/>
 - Firearms Act 1996, Firearms Regulations 2018,
 - Control of Weapons Act 1990, Control of Weapons Regulations 2011
 - Exemptions exist for certain organisations to use swords, daggers, crossbows and imitation firearms for reenactment. Current exemptions, and associated requirements and restrictions, are detailed in the Victorian Government Gazette:
 - <http://www.gazette.vic.gov.au/gazette/Gazettes2014/GG2014G023.pdf>
 - <http://www.gazette.vic.gov.au/gazette/Gazettes2016/GG2016G026.pdf>
4. South Australia - <https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/index.aspx>
 - Firearms Act 2015, Firearms Regulations 2017
 - Summary Offences Act 1953 (especially prohibited weapons and exemptions), Summary Offences Regulations 2016
5. Western Australia <https://www.legislation.wa.gov.au>
 - Firearms Act 1973, Firearms Regulations 1974
 - Weapons Act 1999, Weapons Regulations 1999
6. Queensland <https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/>
 - Weapons Act 1990, Weapons Regulation 2016
7. Tasmania <http://www.thelaw.tas.gov.au/>
 - Firearms Act 1996, Firearms Regulations 2016
 - Police Offences Act 1935, Police Offences Regulations 2014
8. ACT <http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/>
 - Firearms Act 1996, Firearms Regulation 2008
 - Prohibited Weapons Act 1996, Prohibited Weapons Regulation 1997
9. Northern Territory <https://legislation.nt.gov.au>
 - Firearms Act 1997, Firearms Regulation 1997
 - Weapons Control Act 2001, Weapons Control Regulation 2001