



AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE ASSOCIATION GUIDELINES FOR MERIT AWARD

1. A Merit Award may be awarded for recognition of special achievement in the nominee's specific field of endeavour.
2. This award shall be conferred only at the discretion of the ALA Board.
3. Nominations for a Merit Award must be forwarded to the ALA Director of Administration within the stipulated time frame.
4. Any current Member Association or their affiliated bodies may nominate a candidate for a Merit Award.
5. Nominations should include the Member's reasons for recommending the candidate for a Merit Award
6. No person shall be awarded a Merit Award unless they have a majority of votes from the ALA Board.
7. The candidate must satisfy at least one of the three following criteria:
 - Shown outstanding achievement in their field of endeavour
 - Demonstrated commitment and service
 - Sports excellence
8. Satisfaction of the criteria described above does not infer automatic awarding of a Merit Award. These criteria are for the guidance of the any specifically ALA appointed sub-committee and the ALA Board when assessing nominated candidates.
9. The criteria for candidature, as describe herein, may be adjusted in extreme circumstances, including but not limited to a posthumous Merit Award, at the discretion of the ALA Committee.
10. The ALA Merit Award certificate will be presented to recognize the person's special contribution to the ALA.
11. The presentation will be made at a time considered appropriate by the ALA Board.

To assist in considering the nomination detail of the nominee's achievements under the following heading (where applicable) are required:

1. Detail the ways in which the nominee has shown outstanding achievement in their field of endeavour.
2. Detail the ways in which the nominee has demonstrated commitment, service and sports excellence.
3. Outline any other contributions that the nominee has brought to the sport.

Please add additional pages to the Nomination form providing all relevant detail in support of the nominee. Please provide the nominee's CV if available.

Please submit **no later than 22 April in any given year** –

By post to: ALA Director of Administration
41 Portofino Crescent
Point Cook Victoria 3030

Or scan & email to: administration@lacrosse.com.au