

Organisation Squash Australia
Organisation Type Sporting Body

Coverage National

Position Title Member - Accounting Finance and Risk Committee

Duration of Appointment 2 years

Remuneration Expenses paid

Industry / Sector Sport / Recreation / Leisure

Skills Sought Legal

Closing Date 28/Jan/2020

Squash Australia seeks expressions of interest from people wishing to contribute to the growth and success of one of Australia's national sport organisations as a member of the Accounting Finance and Risk Committee (AFRC) for a two-year appointment.

Squash Australia has grown and consolidated its position over the past several years where the focus has been on streamlining processes between the national and state bodies and increasing the number of registered participants. It has met the various Sport Australia funding indicia entitling it to the maximum amount of funding for a sport of its size and participation base.

The AFRC has determined that a person with legal skills is required for maximising the effective functioning of the organisation. It reserves the right of course to select a candidate who might have skills in other areas.

### **About Squash Australia**

Squash Australia is the national head of the federally structured sport in Australia. It is funded primarily by Sport Australia, grants and State Member affiliation fees. While the office is in Brisbane, the location of Board members is Australia-wide. In addition, Squash Australia has facilities at Carrara on the Gold Coast under its control and administration.

Squash Australia is incorporated as a company limited by guarantee pursuant to the Corporations Act.

# **Position Description**

The Board comprises five elected Directors and up to two skills-based Appointed Directors. Squash Australia intends to appoint a Director to fill a vacancy arising through the expiry of the term of the previous incumbent who did not seek reappointment.

The Directors have a variety of backgrounds including as squash players, facility owners, lovers of the sport and business people. Board meetings are typically held seven times a year; three face-to-face meetings and four via tele-conference or Zoom. It is expected that Directors will be able to attend a minimum of six of the seven meetings per year. Directors' terms are two with a maximum period of 10 years.

### **Committee role**

- To oversee finance, budgeting and planning processes for the organisation
- to ensure the organisation is working towards achieving the objectives set out in its Strategic Plan which includes the soon to be finalised Service Level Agreement between it and its Member States.
- To ensure that risks are appropriately identified and managed, and fiduciary obligations are met
- To oversee the organisations integrity framework
  - To act with integrity and in good faith in the best interests of Squash in Australia

## **Select Criteria**

- a) An enthusiasm for sport though not necessarily Squash
- b) Legal skills and experience of not fewer than 5 years PQE in any field
- c) Evidence of formal governance training and/or qualifications
- d) An understanding of the legal and fiduciary obligations of a director.
- e) An ability to be available for meetings and, from time to time, board committees and working groups, which may include travel.
- f) Knowledge of the workings of the Australian sport system will also be highly regarded.

The position is honorary and expenses are met.

Women are encouraged to apply.

### Website

www.squash.org.au

### **How To Apply**

Send a CV (no more than three pages) and a covering letter (of no more than two pages) to Margot Foster, Chair of the Squash Australia Nominations Committee at <a href="mailto:mf@fosterslaw.com.au">mf@fosterslaw.com.au</a>.

The closing date for nominations is 28th January 2020 at 6pm.

Enquiries about the nomination and selection process can be directed to Margot Foster at mf@fosterslaw.com.au.