

IAFL Policy for Registration for, and Attendance at, Meetings

The following policy applies to the IAFL AGM and main Chapter meetings:

1. Fellows

Fellows attending meetings must register as a 'Fellow'. Fellows attending their first meeting since being admitted to the Academy as a Fellow should register as a "First Timer". Thereafter, they should register as a "Fellow".

1.1 Lawyer Guests

Practicing family lawyers (who are not fellows) must register as a 'Lawyer Guest' of an attending IAFL Fellow. The sponsoring Fellow must be in attendance with their Lawyer Guest for the duration of the meeting. If a potential Lawyer Guest does not know a fellow, the IAFL Executive Director can facilitate a sponsor.

A Fellow may only have one named Lawyer Guest at any meeting unless their spouse/life partner is usually registered as their Lawyer Guest, in which case, they may register a second Lawyer Guest.

Individuals who are eligible to apply for fellowship are permitted to attend a maximum of two IAFL or main Chapter meetings as a Lawyer Guest before applying for fellowship. This limitation on attendance applies only to the IAFL AGM and main Chapter meetings.

Any practicing family lawyer who is eligible to apply for fellowship but who is attending the meeting only in their capacity as spouse/life partner of a fellow must register as a 'Lawyer Guest' and not as an 'Accompanying Guest'. The limitation on attendance, above, does not apply for so long as the spouse/life partner is attending solely in that capacity.

1.2 Non-Practicing Fellows

Non-Practicing Fellows who wish to attend the Education Program must register as a 'Fellow'. Non-Practicing Fellows who do not wish to attend the Education Program may register as a 'Non-Practicing Fellow'.

1.3 Accompanying Guests

Individuals who may register as an 'Accompanying Guest' are:

1.3.1 Family, friends, spouses/life partners and colleagues of fellows who are attending socially. Individuals who are attending for business development purposes, whether in whole or part, can only attend as formal sponsors in terms of 1.5.

Note: individuals who are practicing family lawyers must still register as a 'Lawyer Guest' in terms of 1.1 and are not entitled to register as an 'Accompanying Guest'.

1.3.2 Family lawyers who are members of the judiciary or who are not practicing. There is no limitation on the number of meetings that they may attend;

1.3.3 Surviving partners of deceased Fellows. They may bring guests, who must also be appropriately registered in accordance with this policy;

1.4 Accompanying Guests (Children and Young People)

Young guests are welcome at our meetings. Typically, the policy for children and young people attending a meeting is that guests aged 21 or under pay a reduced registration fee but are required to pay full price for any tours or functions that they attend.

1.5 Sponsors

Individuals who wish to attend a meeting for actual, or potential, business development (irrespective of their relationship with any fellow) may only attend meetings as a paying sponsor. They are not permitted to register as a 'Lawyer Guest' or 'Accompanying Guest'.

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