

Squad Member Registration Policy

1/ Squad Member Registration & Approval

- Squad membership is by invitation only from the head coach. Invitations are extended based on assessment and eligibility. Anyone registering for a squad program must first have their enrolment approved by club management or coaching staff. Eligibility criteria for squad selection can be found in the Squad Programme Policy.
 - Please note: Without prior approval, your registration will not be processed, no class will be assigned, and only the membership fee will be collected. The €40 annual registration fee is non-refundable, as it is forwarded directly to our governing body upon registration. This annual fee is required for all programs and remains applicable once the gymnast enrolls in the appropriate class. If you are interested in joining a squad-based program but have not been invited, you can express interest and inquire about the process by contacting secretary@wingsrhythmicgymnastics.com.

2/ Registration & Governing Body Fees

• Upon squad enrolment, members must pay a €40 annual registration fee, which covers governing body membership and insurance. This fee is charged at the beginning of each season and is separate from the monthly training fees. Once registered, this fee is non-refundable, even if the squad member does not proceed with squad training.

3/ Payment Structure & Billing

- Squad fees are billed monthly to spread costs evenly throughout the season. Payments are handled via a separate billing platform (Stripe) rather than the club portal.
- Monthly fees vary by squad level, typically ranging between €50 €120 per month.
 Payments run from September through June, with summer terms (if applicable) billed separately. Despite scheduled breaks for Easter and Christmas, monthly payments continue, ensuring that the club can provide discounted workshops and training camps for squad members.
- Once the initial payment is made, a monthly direct debit is set up for automatic monthly processing. If a payment fails, the club secretary will attempt to contact the member via email or phone to swiftly resolve the issue. Membership automatically becomes inactive after 28 days if payment recovery attempts are unsuccessful. However, missed payments can be paid in arrears to maintain squad membership.
- If a squad member experiences a major injury requiring a recovery period of 28 days or more, payments can be paused upon submission of a doctor's note. Please contact the club secretary to make the necessary arrangements. Pre-paid fees are non-refundable, even if a gymnast leaves the squad mid-season.

4/ Training Schedule Access

- The <u>club portal</u> provides access to training schedules but does not display billing details.
 Though fees are billed monthly, schedules will typically follow the term structure of the
 recreational programme. Amendments to the schedule will be communicated via email
 and club notice boards.
 - Schedule changes generally occur at the beginning of the season (September), with ample notice provided. Mid-season schedule adjustments are rare and only happen under exceptional circumstances or changes in squad structure.
- parents/guardians can access their child's training schedule via the club portal. However, competitive squad members follow bespoke training schedules, making it essential for parents/guardians to keep the club informed of any scheduling conflicts or changes.

Squad Member Benefits

Being a squad member comes with a range of benefits, including:

- Reduced fees for training camps and select workshops.
- Reduced entry fees for club-organised events.
- Access to local and *international competitive events.
- Sizing & procurement advice for competitive attire and equipment.
- Priority entry to the annual club sleepover (The Lock-In) to promote team bonding.
- Leadership opportunities through the **LeadHERship programme, where members can develop skills by coaching, judging, mentoring younger members, and representing the club.

**Members for the LeadHERship programme are selected by coaching staff based on their performance, attitude, and leadership qualities in training. The program is open to gymnasts aged 11–17, and those interested can contact the club for more details.

*For international competitions, the club partially contributes to travel and accommodation costs, but the majority of expenses are covered by parents/guardians. To help reduce costs and make competitions more accessible, parents/guardians are encouraged to join the Parent Committee and participate in fundraising efforts.

The club supports fundraising and sponsorship initiatives, but parents/guardians and the committee take an independent approach in organising these efforts.

For any payment or scheduling inquiries, please contact the club secretary.

Wings Rhythmic Gymnastics Club reserves the right to amend this policy at any time, without prior notice, to reflect changes in regulations, club operations, or best practices.