



GOTHAM VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE COVID-19 EMERGENCY MEMBERSHIP POLICY AMENDMENT

BACKGROUND

Gotham's members are the heart and soul of the Gotham Volleyball League. Not only are our members what make Gotham the special organization that it is, the members of Gotham play a critical role in its governance and organization because Gotham is a membership organization.

Under the membership policy promulgated by the Board of Directors, members join by paying a \$35 fee and/or being a dues-paying participant in Division Play or individual, full-season Power classes. The membership year runs from October 1 through the following September 30, at which point all membership for the past year expires. Gotham begins enrolling members for each new year in September and through our annual Fall tryout process and continues to enroll members throughout the year.

In the ordinary course, this structure allows Gotham to enroll over 800 members prior to the start of each membership year and maintain a robust membership roll throughout the membership year.

Gotham cut its Spring season short due to the COVID-19 emergency and does not anticipate that it will be able to hold a fall tryout process as it ordinarily would. As a result, the COVID-19 emergency could severely impact the membership rolls of Gotham come October 1, 2020 without temporary changes to the membership policy.

EMERGENCY POLICY AMENDMENT

In order to maintain a robust membership roll for the immediate future, the Board of Directors adopts the following emergency amendment to Gotham Volleyball's membership policy:

- 1) All members of Gotham Volleyball who remain in good standing at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 membership year shall have their membership automatically extended until the earliest of the following dates, unless further extended by majority vote of the Board of Directors:
 - a. The end of the month in which Gotham holds a tryout for a full Gotham Volleyball season, or
 - b. January 31, 2021.
- 2) The 2020-2021 Gotham Volleyball membership year will begin upon the conclusion of the extended 2019-2020 membership year and will, absent future action by the Board, will expire as scheduled on September 30, 2021.
- 3) Nothing in this policy shall be construed to allow any individual any benefits or privileges beyond what is granted to a single member of Gotham Volleyball in the ordinary course.

Adopted by the Board of Directors on September 15, 2020 – Eric Eichenholtz, President; Kyle Williams, Secretary; Andre Carneiro, Treasurer; Patrick So, Vice President of Division Play; Zachary Vojt, Vice President of Training; Max Szadek, Vice President of Activities and Outreach; Joe Hemsing, Vice President of Tournaments and Open Play; Jonathan Cordero, Michael Hess, Joe Mignano, Joey Osio, Amy Santiago, Directors; Joshua Christensen, Lew Smith, Clovis Thorn, Past Presidents.