

CHAPTER I – MEMBERSHIP OPERATING GUIDELINES

C. DUES AND LIFE MASTER SERVICE FEES

Section 1 – Dues

- 1.1 All dues processing shall be handled by ACBL management with no charge to the Units.
- 1.2 Billing to members for dues will be done on a staggered basis throughout the year.
- 1.3 Membership dues are payable the first day of the month which has been designated as the Renewal Month for each ACBL member and shall be considered delinquent one month thereafter.
 - 1.3.1 When members pay their renewal fees within 90 days of their expiration date, the term for which they are paid will begin from the date that their membership originally expired.
- 1.4 Those joining or rejoining ACBL after January 1, 1996 will pay dues at the established rate. When these players attain Life Master status, they will continue to pay the established rate with no service fee differential.
- 1.5 Once a month, ACBL management will notify each affected Unit and District of (1) all Life Masters who have moved out of a Unit to an unknown location and (2) unpaid Life Masters who have had no contact with the ACBL for the previous two years. Unless informed to the contrary, each such Life Master will be transferred into a special holding Unit not associated with any of the 25 Districts. A list of the Life Masters who have been so transferred will be sent each year to the appropriate Units and Districts.
- 1.6 Rates for dues and Life Master Service Fees as determined by the ACBL Board of Directors shall be published on the ACBL website.
- 1.7 ACBL members residing outside of Zone 2 shall pay an additional amount per year for the Bridge Bulletin if such member requests the publication be sent to an address outside Zone 2.
- 1.8 ACBL membership dues will be transacted in U.S. dollars only. (effective 11/18/20)

See Appendix 1-C *Lapsed Member Life Master Requirements*.

Section 2 – Canadian Dues

- 2.1 Approval of the ACBL is not required for the Canadian Bridge Federation (“CBF”) to increase the fee that is added to the membership dues billings of Canadian members. This additional fee is remitted to the CBF in support of its operation/projects.

Section 3 – Life Master Service Fees

- 3.1 Life Master Service Fees must be paid in order to be eligible for inclusion on any masterpoint race list, for inclusion on any Life Master upgrade list, to receive the Bridge Bulletin, to receive point confirmations, and to receive qualified monetary awards to attend an NABC or any other event for which ACBL provides a monetary award.

Section 4 – Rates for Dues and Life Master Service Fees

- 4.1 Current rates for full membership dues and Life Master Service Fees — as determined by the ACBL Board of Directors — are (USD) (Effective 7/14/20):

| | 1-month | 1-year | 3-year |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Guest | \$0.00 | | |
| Junior | | \$5 | |
| Regular | | \$49 | \$117 |
| Household | | \$82 | \$216 |
| Life Member | | \$46 | \$108 |
| Patron (Individual) | | \$275 | \$750 |
| Patron Household | | \$375 | \$1050 |