

GFA REGIONS - CORE EXPECTATIONS (2018)

This second version of Regional expectations has been amended to reflect the:

- Prescribed role for Regions as defined in the GFA Articles of Association and MOSP Part 1,
- Opportunity for Regions to be recognised by State Governments, and
- The need to operate within GFA funding limits to the Regions (currently \$12 p.a. per member).

Where Regions have been successful in gaining State and Local Government funding these provide opportunities for providing services in addition to this set of core expectations.

GOVERNANCE, COMMUNICATIONS & SUCCESSION PLANNING

1. Contribute to the development of GFA Board policy, strategies and their implementation,
2. Maintain open and constructive communications at all levels between the Region and GFA,
3. Conduct regular face-to-face or Conference call meetings with Clubs in the Region,
4. Manage succession planning for the Regional Committee and all GFA Regional Officers,
5. Meet all local State obligations as an Incorporated Association, and
6. Achieve recognition as the peak sporting body for gliding by their State Government.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES & FINANCES

In conjunction with Regional Officers, Regions are responsible for facilitating and funding:

- regular training and refresher courses for airworthiness engineers, instructors and sporting coaches,
- regular seminars on Safety, club development, cross country flying and similar initiatives,
- attendance by the Airspace & Airfields Officer at RAPAC meetings, and
- provision and maintenance of support equipment for clubs, e.g. A/W scales and release testers.

Expenses by Regional officers and volunteers supporting these activities are to be paid by the Region. Costs of training and refresher courses are charged to attendees. These may be offset by Regional subsidies.

It will be necessary for GFA Regional Officers and Regions to cooperate in planning and budgeting of activities. Requests which are beyond these core expectations may require additional GFA funding.

SOARING TO THE FUTURE (S2F)

Encourage support and enthusiasm for this major GFA initiative through the Regional Development Officer and Club representatives. Respond to the initiatives for membership growth arising from the S2F program.

OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Conduct an annual State competition in accordance with GFA Competition Rules.
2. Establish a focus on cross country flying:
 - Hold coaching events at different sites and times to maximize participation by members
 - Facilitate visits by interstate Coaches,
 - Maintain a Winter activity lecture program,
 - Encourage clubs to place more emphasis on post solo training to GPC for new pilots, and
 - Ensure the RTO/Sports and Coaches meet annually (at least) to review and plan events.
3. Provide awards for State Competitions and general awards to recognize volunteer effort.
4. Support new and small clubs to assist their future viability,
5. Implement initiatives which support the development of gliding within the Region.