



# The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

## GUIDANCE – PHOTOGRAPHER ELIGIBILITY

The eligibility of a Photographer applies to a particular Club as part of an entry by the Club, or as part of an entry which references that Club.

A Photographer who is, or has been, a member of more than one Club may be eligible via one Club but not via another. It is a universal requirement that a Photographer's Images may only be submitted to one Event by one Entrant. The Photographer and Clubs must have clear arrangements in place to ensure this happens.

Clubs have the relevant information about their members and have primary responsibility for determining Photographer eligibility. Clubs should be prepared to explain the basis of a Photographer's eligibility on enquiry from the PAGB, the Federation or the Photographer.

Clubs will have a local catchment area covering distances which would allow members to attend physical meetings. Members from another Federation recruited from outside that area can only be considered eligible to enter PAGB competitions via the Club after specific PAGB approval, which will only be granted in exceptional circumstances.

If a Club is entering a PAGB Competition and there is doubt about eligibility, the Club should apply for a ruling from the PAGB. Prepare an application to include the following, with your justification for seeking an exception:

- Name of the Club and Federation.
- Name and postcode of the person concerned.
- Duration of membership of the Club.
- How often the Club has physically met in the last 12 months and how many times this person has physically attended. Do not include online meetings or outings.
- Any specific reasons why this member cannot attend regularly or cannot attend a more local Club.
- Any known membership of other Clubs.
- Why the eligibility is being claimed.

Send the application to [eligibility@thepagb.org.uk](mailto:eligibility@thepagb.org.uk)

The application will be considered and the Club should retain the reply for reference.

A revised application should be made if the original information changes significantly.

### **Advice to Photographers**

Consult with your Club if you are in any doubt about your eligibility based on the Event conditions and this guidance. Explain to your Club if you need to opt out from allowing entry of your Images to any PAGB events.