

Refugee Policy Statement

In these times of war, rising authoritarianism, climate displacement, LGBTQ & gender discrimination; the Burnaby Velodrome Club recognizes that our country & community are privileged to be able to offer safe haven to those forced to flee their homelands. We recognize that the ability to participate in our sport is a crucial component of our social integration and mental health. We wish to extend the sporting opportunities that we enjoy to those fleeing violence, poverty, and oppression by eliminating the barriers that our standard membership fees present.

To this end we offer a 10 week no-charge trial membership to those who present themselves as recent migrants or refugees in financial need. After 10 weeks, these athletes can maintain membership with a discretionary donation.

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