

# Lions Code of Ethics

## INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS INVITATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND APPLICATION

*TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.*

*TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.*

*TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.*

*WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.*

*TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.*

*ALWAYS to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means.*

*TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak and my substance to the needy.*

*TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.*

IN THE LIONS CLUB OF: \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE PRINT)

Please Circle:      MR      MRS      MISS      MS.      Dr      Prof

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Nickname
Spouse's Name		Candidate's Date of Birth	
Spouse's Date of Birth		Candidate's Employer	
Wedding Anniversary Date		Candidate's Occupation / Title	
Home Address		Business Address	
Home Suburb,	State, Post Code	Business Suburb,	State, Post Code
Home Phone No		Business Country	
Mobile No		Business Phone No	
Home Fax No		Business Fax No	
Home E-mail		Business E-mail	

Send Mail to: (Please Circle)      Home      Business

Was Candidate a Former Lions Member?    No      Yes >>>>>    Where?      When?

Reason for Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Service Organisations the Candidate is a Member of: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as entrance fee, semi-annual dues, semi-annual international per capita tax, and convention fee. US\$2.375 or its equivalent of the above amount is for a six months subscription to "THE LION" magazine.

Recognising the importance of rendering personal service to my community in cooperation with other civic-minded persons, and appreciating the opportunity afforded me to enjoy the good fellowship and prestige of Lions Clubs International, I hereby request membership.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (Check Committees Over)

My preference is to serve on the committee or committees that I checked below:

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

- Attendance
- Constitution and By-Laws
- Finance
- Leadership Development
- Membership Program
- Public Relations
- Bulletin Editor

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEES:

- Diabetes Awareness
- Sight Conservation and Work with the Blind
- Hearing Conservation and Work with the Deaf
- Environmental Services
- International Relations
- Leo Club Programs
- Youth Exchange
- Youth Outreach

I realise that membership in any Lions Club is attained by invitation only, that the standards are reasonably high and limited to persons of good moral character and reputation.

Sponsoring LION's Name \_\_\_\_\_

In proposing this candidate for membership, I affirm that he/she is morally, socially and financially responsible, and that, in my estimation, he/she will become an active member in support of our objects and ethics.

I have known the prospective member for \_\_\_\_\_ months/years. If the candidate is approved, I will extend an invitation to join our Club, and if accepted, I pledge my personal interest in this Lion's development and progress in the principles of Lions Clubs International.

Signature of Sponsoring Lion	Date
Signature of Membership Chairman	Date
Approved By Board	Yes      No
Signature of Secretary	Date

if not approved, other action taken \_\_\_\_\_

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**CHECKLIST FOR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN**

- Be sure the invitation is approved, properly completed and signed.
- Once the dues and entrance fee have been collected and the new member provided with their membership card, turn the money over to the club treasurer.
- Keep the form in the Club's files. Do not send to Lions Clubs International or District.
- See that the new member gets a Lions emblem lapel pin, personalized badge and club roster.
- Add the new member's name and address to the club roster and mailing list
- The Secretary must include the member's name and address on the Monthly Membership Report, to be completed on-line or sent to the Cabinet Secretary.

**INITIAL RECORD OF NEW MEMBER**

INDUCTION CEREMONY

Conducted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT

Made by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ORIENTATION SESSION

Conducted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD MEETING

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB PROJECT

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

VISITED ANOTHER CLUB

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORED A MEMBER

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**INITIATE SOLEMNLY ... EDUCATE COMPLETELY ... INVOLVE IMMEDIATELY**

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Lions Clubs International

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

[By Invitation]

**Mission Statement**

*To create and foster  
 a spirit of understanding  
 among all people  
 for humanitarian needs  
 by providing  
 voluntary services  
 through community  
 involvement  
 and international  
 cooperation.*

The Lions motto is "We Serve".