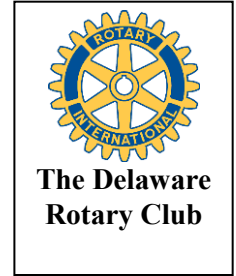


HOW TO PROPOSE A MEMBER

Your Role in Helping Rotary to Grow



Every Delaware Rotarian has the privilege and obligation to seek qualified members for the Club. In that way, every Club member can help his/her Club achieve a full representation of the business and professional life of the community. And in doing so, the work and fellowship life of the Club will be enhanced.

An important dimension of Rotary membership is that each “classification” of business or professional has one or more persons representing it in the membership of a given Club. It must be added, however, that the classification system allows for a creative series of subdivisions in any given business or professional category (e.g., Under the general classification of “Law”, there can be “Law – family”, “Law – tax”, “Law – criminal”. It should also be noted that there is no classification limit on persons from the clergy or from the media.

Rotary prides itself on inviting into membership those members of the community who are the TOP persons in their respective business or profession. Thus the membership of the Delaware Rotary represents the persons who are not only the primary persons in their professional field, but are also a significant force in the life of the community.

There are two kinds of membership in Rotary:

- ACTIVE:** The usual, normative membership in a Club. There can be several members in each classification, depending upon the overall size of the Club.
- HONORARY:** Bestowed on persons for outstanding service.



THE PROCESS OF PROPOSING A NEW MEMBER

1. Using the New Member Proposal form, submit the name of the prospective member to the Club Secretary.
2. The Secretary refers the proposal to the “Classifications Chair” to determine which open classification is appropriate to the person and his/her business or professional position. The Classification Chair then returns the proposal form to the Club Secretary.
3. The Secretary submits the membership proposal to the Rotary Club’s Board for review to ensure that the proposal meets all classification and membership requirements. The Board then acts to approve or disapprove the proposal.
4. The name of the proposed member, along with appropriate identification information is submitted to the Anticipator newsletter so that the name can be published in two successive issues of the newsletter. This permits any member of the Club to express reaction to the proposal by written word to the Club Secretary.
5. If no objections are received, the sponsor contacts the person, secures his/her commitment to become a member. The sponsor also advises the person of the nature and responsibility of Rotary membership, and arranges a time (with the Club President and Secretary) for the person to be received into membership.
6. As soon as the person is received into membership, the sponsor is asked to make sure the new member participates in an Orientation session and that they return the New Member Information form promptly to the Club Secretary.



THE FINANCIAL COSTS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE DELAWARE ROTARY CLUB

INITIATION FEES: \$ 100	ANNUAL DUES	\$150 (\$75 paid January 1; \$75 paid July 1.)
WEEKLY LUNCH: \$11 per week (billed quarterly)	ANNUAL SERVICE GIFT:	\$120 (can be paid by in-service)

NEW MEMBER PROPOSAL AND APPLICATION



The member (sponsor) who wishes to propose a person for membership in the Delaware Rotary Club is asked to be aware of the expectations of membership in Rotary and seek to bring into membership those who will enhance those goals and objectives of Rotary International in general and the Delaware Rotary Club in particular.

The sponsor is asked to begin this proposal even prior to serious conversation with the applicant, although it is understood that the process sometimes begins with the knowledge of the person being proposed for membership.

The prompt action on any new member proposal depends, to a large extent, on the careful and complete way that the sponsor completes this New Member Proposal application. A number of the steps of review of a proposed member cannot be completed easily (if at all) without some of the specific information asked on the form.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Proposed Member: _____ Nickname: _____ Date: _____

BUSINESS INFORMATION:

Company or Business: _____ Business Phone: _(_____)_____-_____

Business Address: _____ Business Fax: _(_____)_____-_____

Work Email Address: _____ Cell Phone: _(_____)_____-_____

What does the firm do?: _____

Applicant's Position: _____ Suggested classification: _____

If retired, describe former occupation: _____

Kind of membership being proposed: Active Honorary

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Home Address: _____ Home Phone: _(_____)_____-_____

Home Email: _____ Personal Cell Phone: _(_____)_____-_____

CLUB INFORMATION:

Previous Rotary Membership (if any). Where: _____ How many years? _____ RI member # _____

SPONSOR (signed): _____ SPONSOR (print name): _____

INFORMATION BELOW TO BE COMPLETED BY CLUB SECRETARY

_____ Date submitted to Membership Coordinator (Or Club Secretary)

_____ Date submitted to Club Secretary

_____ Date submitted to Classification Chair (Or Club Secretary)

_____ Date returned. MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION: _____

_____ Date submitted to ANTICIPATOR. Dates published: _____ and _____

_____ Date submitted to Board. Action: _____

_____ Date Sponsor notified.

_____ Date New Member inducted.

_____ Date "Member Data Sheet" returned to Club Secretary.