



THE ROTARY CLUB OF PHOENIX WEST

GUIDELINES FOR MEMBERSHIP

I. As a candidate for Rotary Membership, we expect you to:

a. **Subscribe to the “Object of Rotary”:**

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve.

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business, and community life:

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service. ; and

b. **Agree to participate in the activities of the club, including regular attendance and timely contributions to the Foundation:** and

c. **Commit to volunteer community service** outside your primary area of employment; and

d. **(Unless retired) Hold a position of influence within your organization** as an owner, partner, officer or manager, or otherwise serve in a capacity with discretionary authority; and

e. **(Unless retired) Have worked in the community long enough to have suitable references** from local business or community service leaders.

Special consideration may be given to candidates who have been an active member of another Rotary club.

2. **Organization Standards**

Regardless of size, your business or organization should be an established entity, well regarded within the community and among its customers and peers.

3. **Types of Membership**

All candidates for Active or Honorary membership shall be subject to the same basic standards and criteria regardless of type of membership.

4. **Change of Classification**

Any application by a member requesting change in classification shall be reviewed as a matter of routine, to assure s/he is still a member in good standing, with attention to the individual’s attendance at meetings and meeting the member’s financial obligations to Rotary.



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PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY FORM

Proposer must complete this form and return it to the club president with the candidate's completed, signed application and resume.

Candidate's Name _____ Date: _____

Firm or Organization _____

Job/Position _____ Years/Months with Firm _____

Proposer: _____

1. Briefly describe how the candidate qualifies under the requirements of Section I of Guidelines for Membership

2. Describe the candidate's business or professional standing

1. Within the candidate's current classification _____

2. Within the candidate's prior classification and prior employment (if applicable)

3. Describe the candidate's leadership and achievement (refer to resume, interview information)

a. As to the candidate's business or profession _____

b. As to the candidate's community service _____

4. Describe your impressions of the candidate's character, personal and professional ethics (based on interviews), and why you are recommending him/her for membership in Phoenix West Rotary.

5. Describe any other matters relevant to consideration of this candidate.

6. Recommended Classification for the Candidate. _____



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CLUB MEMBER RESPONSIBILITY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise. This ideal is fostered through:

- The development of acquaintance as the opportunity for service;
- The promotion of high ethical standards in business and the professions;
- Service in one's personal, business and community life; and
- The advancement of international understanding, good will and peace. The ideal is an attitude of being a thoughtful and helpful person in all of one's endeavors.

Standard of Conduct

The Four-Way Test should be known and followed by Rotarians:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Financial Obligations

Being a member of Phoenix West has the following financial responsibilities:

- Initiation Fee \$50
- Quarterly Dues (prorated at initiation and billed/payable quarterly) \$225
- Voluntary Annual Commitment to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) \$100 minimum/annually

Participation

Meetings are weekly and regular attendance is encouraged. The attendance requirement can be achieved by attending the weekly luncheon meeting, monthly club board meetings, committee meetings, fellowship events, hands-on service projects, online (e-club) or making up at another club's weekly meeting.

Global Perspective

Rotary is an international organization; all members share responsibility for international understanding, goodwill and peace. Therefore, each Rotarian should:

- Resist any tendency to act in terms of national or racial superiority;
- Seek and develop common ground for agreement with people of other lands;
- Support action directed toward improving standards of living for all people, realizing that poverty anywhere endangers prosperity everywhere;
- Uphold the principles of justice for humankind; and
- Urge and practice a spirit of understanding of every other person's beliefs as a step toward international goodwill, recognizing that there are certain basic moral and spiritual standards which will insure a richer, fuller life.

Member Recruitment

Members, including new members, are expected to recruit new members.



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Candidate must personally complete the following application & provide a resume.

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION: _____ Employed _____ Retired

Name in full _____ Date _____

The call name desired on your badge, (i.e. “Bob” rather than Robert) _____

Current/Most Recent Business _____ Position _____

Business Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____ Cell _____

Primary business or professional function: _____

Describe your role in the business or organization:

Where is the main office of your company? _____ Your years in present company? _____

What is your financial interest in the business? None _____ Moderate _____ Substantial _____
How much time annually do you spend away from Phoenix? _____

List three most recent positions prior to present occupation or attach copy of current resume:

Dates, Position, Name of Organization, Location

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Home Fax _____ Home E-mail _____

Month/Date/Year of Birth: _____ Married/Single _____

Spouse’s Name _____ Number Children _____ Grandchildren _____

Highest Educational Level Achieved: _____ College/University _____

Hobbies or special interests _____

Years in Phoenix _____



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COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION:

List other service clubs (Kiwanis, Junior League, etc.) you belong(ed) including location, dates and offices held:

List other Rotary clubs, location, dates of membership, committees served and offices held:

List community service (church, school, scouts, etc.) organizations you belong(ed) to including dates, location and offices held:

Special Note: Applicants may use non-Rotarian professional references (other than Proposer) if they are not well acquainted with enough members of Phoenix West Rotary.

Please notify all references that a member of the Membership Committee may contact them:

	Rotarian or Reference Name	Years Known	Phone
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

I have reviewed the information in the membership packet and understand the obligations of membership including weekly attendance requirements, participation in fellowship and service projects; I also understand that financial obligations include prompt payment of:

- One time Initiation Fee of \$ 50
- Quarterly Dues prorated at initiation and billed quarterly) \$225
- Voluntary Annual Commitment to The Rotary Foundation of \$100 minimum

Signature of Applicant: _____



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ATTENDANCE:

- 60% attendance is acceptable by Rotary International standards; however Phoenix West would like to see 80%. The candidate will endeavor to meet or exceed this goal.
- Members are encouraged to make up attendance at another Rotary club 14 days before or 14 days after any meeting missed.
- Committee meetings, board meetings, fellowship events and community service activities count for attendance credit.
- A member may be terminated if the average attendance falls below 60%.

COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION:

Nominee will be expected to serve on one or more committees of the club, attend its meetings and engage in its activities. (Examples include: Foundation, Fund Raiser, Program, Student of the Month, Membership/Social, Done in a Day)

PHOTO REQUIREMENT:

A high quality digital image will be required upon approval of this application.

APPLICATION COMPLETION SUBMISSION:

The undersigned Proposer has read and understands the application, especially the membership guidelines and expectations. If the application is approved, the Candidate's name will be published and, if no written signed protests are received within the specified time, the Candidate will be invited to membership. This process may take several weeks and candidates are invited to attend weekly meetings during that time. (Lunch cost is \$ 25.)

PHOENIX WEST MEMBER PROPOSING CANDIDATE:

I propose the following Candidate to the Classification Committee and the Board
Print Candidate's FULL Name

With some exception for retirees, I understand this candidate to be:

1. Fully informed of the requirements of Rotary membership;
2. Associated with a firm regarded as ethical and;
3. Of a position that enables the candidate to exercise influence over their business or firm.

I have known the candidate for _____ years. My acquaintance with the candidate has been of a _____ social or _____ business nature.

If approved for membership, I will accompany him/her to the first several Rotary luncheons and provide ongoing new member support.

Proposer Signature: _____ Date: _____
Proposer's Name Printed: _____

APPROVAL PROCESS:

Classification Committee Action: _____ Date: _____
Board Action: _____ Date: _____