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# WEATHERFORD ROTARY

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## Membership Application

### ***“Service above self”***

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## Your annual financial commitment to Rotary

### **Application Fee: \$25.00**

*Payable one time – when you first join Rotary. This covers the cost of establishing your membership record and file in Rotary at the local, district, and international level.*

### **Dues – \$436.00 per year, paid \$109.00 quarterly on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1.**

*Dues cover the administrative costs of Rotary at the local, district and international level, and are structured as follows:*

*\$15.00: The Rotary Club of Weatherford*

*\$28.00: Rotary District 5790 & Rotary International--Includes a subscription to the Rotarian Magazine*

*\$66.00 Quarterly Meals*

### **Annual Fund Raiser- Mandatory Participation by all club members (the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in February) \$110.00 per year**

*Pancake Supper Tickets Billed \$100.00 April 1*

*Raffle Tickets Billed \$10.00 April 1*

### **OPTIONAL BUT HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**

#### **Paul Harris: \$100 or more per year**

*Billed \$25.00 per quarter on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. This contribution is optional but highly recommended. These funds are used for National and International Projects, with a portion of those funds – through the Program fund – returned to our Rotary District 5790 for use within our District (support of the student exchange program, group study exchange, and other district projects). Donations to the Rotary International Foundation count toward your Paul Harris Fellow.*

#### **The Rotary Foundation: \$100.00 or more per year**

*Billed \$25.00 per quarter on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. This contribution is optional but highly recommended. All Rotarians are encouraged to give to The Rotary Foundation as a sustaining member at \$100.00 per year (Every Rotarian Every Year – EREY). These funds are used for National and International Projects, with a portion of those funds – through the Program fund – returned to our Rotary District 5790 for use within our District (support of the student exchange program, group study exchange, and other district projects). Donations to the Rotary International Foundation count toward your Paul Harris Fellow.*



## Your annual time commitment to Rotary

### **Club Meetings: 24 +/- per year – First & Third Tuesdays of every month (except holidays)**

*Allow an hour per meeting = 24 hours. Members are required by Rotary International to make a minimum of 50% of the regular club meetings: 50% = 12 hours per year, so your range of time for club meetings will be a total of 12-24 hours. You can make-up missed meetings by attending meetings at any other Rotary Club in the World. You also earn attendance credit with board and committee meetings, and work on service project of the clubs.*

### **Committee and Service Project Work: 50 hours or more.**

*Members can expect a minimum of 1 hour per week per year as an average of additional time commitment necessary to fulfill your responsibilities as a Rotarian: 1 hour x 24 weeks = 24 hours. This time is in addition to the club meetings, and you earn attendance credit for participating in committee meetings and work.*

**Total: 36 to 50 hours per year.**

***(More hours if you are active on multiple committees or choose to serve on the board)***

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***Becoming a Rotarian is one of the best, most rewarding, decisions you will ever make during your life!***

Please go online to [www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org) or [www.weatherfordrotary.org](http://www.weatherfordrotary.org) for more information on the depth and breadth of Rotary, then attend some meetings of your local club(s) by contacting a club member to host you at a meeting. Next, volunteer to participate in some of the club service projects (non-Rotarians are always welcome to participate) to better understand the culture and responsibility of being a Rotarian. If your interest remains, ask to join. See the section on membership for more information on the application and process of becoming a Rotarian.



*The process of becoming a Rotarian is steeped in tradition & honor, with following expectations from the Rotary Bylaws:*

### **Article 13 – Method of Electing Members**

Section 1 – The name of a prospective member, proposed by an active member of the club, shall be submitted to the board in writing, through the club secretary. A transferring or former member of another club may be proposed to active membership by the former club. The proposal shall be kept confidential except as otherwise provided in this procedure.

Section 2 – The board shall ensure the proposal meets all the classification and membership requirements of the Standard Rotary Club Constitution.

Section 3 – The board shall approve or disapprove the proposal within thirty (30) days of its submission and shall notify the proposer, through the club secretary, of its decision.

Section 4 – If the decision of the board is favorable, the prospective member shall be informed of the purposes of Rotary and of the privileges and responsibilities of membership, following which the prospective member shall be requested to sign the membership proposal form and to permit his or her name and proposed classification to be published to the club.

Section 5 – If no written objection to the proposal, stating reasons, is received by the board from any member (other than honorary) of the club within seven (7) days following publication of information about the prospective member, that person, upon payment of the admission fee (if not honorary membership), as prescribed in these by-laws, shall be considered to be elected to membership. If any such objection has been filed with the board, it shall vote on this matter at its next meeting. If approved despite the objection, the proposed member, upon payment of the admission fee (if not honorary membership), shall be considered to be elected to membership.

# Membership Proposal Form



**\*\*\*Please Write/Print Legible\*\***

## I Propose:

First Name	Last Name
Business Address	Business Phone
Business Fax	Business email
Residence Address	Cell Phone
Residence Fax	Personal email

For (check one):

- Active Membership     Honorary Membership

If a former Rotarian, list club(s) and dates(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed job classification (if active): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of firm and executive position (former firm and executive position, if retired):  
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Activities that would enhance consideration as a Rotarian:  
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_____ Signature of <b>Rotary Member</b> Who Proposed New Member	_____ Date
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**Statement to be signed by proposed member  
BEFORE submission to the board for approval**

I hereby certify that I am qualified for membership both by my current/former executive position and by having a place of business or residence within the Club's locality or surrounding area.

I understand that it will be my duty, if elected, to exemplify the object of Rotary in all my daily contacts and activities and to abide by the constitutional documents of Rotary International and the Club. I agree to pay an admission fee for \$25.00\* and the quarterly dues of \$159 or \$209 which include optional \$50 donation to the Rotary Foundation in accordance with the Bylaws of the Club. I hereby give permission to the Club to publish my name and proposed classification to its membership.

Proposed New Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Not applicable to transferring or former members of another club**

**Record of Action on the Proposal**

Application received by Vice President \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted to the Board on: \_\_\_\_\_

Board decision on \_\_\_\_\_ Approved  Disapproved

Proposer Notified on: \_\_\_\_\_ Publication of name to membership on: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary information session held on: \_\_\_\_\_ Inducted (White Badge)  
on: \_\_\_\_\_

Orientation on: \_\_\_\_\_ Self introduction on: \_\_\_\_\_

New Membership info sheet given to secretary: \_\_\_\_\_ Picture taken for  
directory: \_\_\_\_\_

Transition from white badge to RED badge on: \_\_\_\_\_