

# Membership Opportunities

A quick-reference guide to membership options for new Lions.



Every club needs members in order to achieve its service goals. To help clubs recruit new members, LCI offers several membership options to community members who want to volunteer and serve their communities as Lions.

## MEMBERSHIP TYPES

In addition to regular membership, LCI offers special membership programs for families, college students, former Leos and young adults.

### Regular Member

This is our "standard" membership. Regular membership is for community members interested in volunteering, serving the community and making our world a better place. Regular members pay an entrance fee (US\$35) and full international dues (US\$43). Additional district, multiple-district and club dues apply.

### Family Member

The Family Membership Program provides families with the opportunity to receive a special dues discount when they join a Lions club together. The first family member (head of household) pays full international dues (US\$43), and up to four additional family members pay only half the international dues (US\$21.50). All family members pay the one-time entrance fee (US\$35).

The Family Membership Program is open to family members who are (1) eligible for Lions membership, (2) currently in or joining the same club, and (3) living in the same household and related by birth, marriage or other legal relationship. To receive the family membership dues rate, complete the Family Unit Certification Form and submit it with the MMR, or complete the certification on MyLCI. When chartering a club, complete the certification on the Report of Charter Members.

### Student Member

Student membership allows students to make new friends and help others in their community at the same time. Students enrolled in an educational institution who are between the age of legal majority and through age 30 pay no entrance or charter fee and half international dues (US\$21.50). Students over age 30 who are joining a Campus Lions club pay a US\$10 entrance fee and full international dues. To receive the student-member dues rate, complete the Student Member Certification Form and submit with the MMR, or complete the certification on MyLCI. When chartering a club, complete the certification on the Report of Charter Members.

### Leo Lion Member

Leo Lion membership allows current or former Leos between the age of legal majority and through age 30, who have been a Leo for at least a year and a day, to continue doing volunteer work with LCI as a Lion. Leo Lions pay no entrance fee or charter fee and pay half international dues (US\$21.50). To receive the Leo Lion dues rate, complete the Leo to Lion Certification and Years of Service Form and submit with the MMR or club charter application, or complete the certification on MyLCI. To encourage Leo Lions to invite their friends, young adults between the age of legal majority and through age 30 who join a Leo Lions club receive the same fee waivers and dues discounts as Leo to Lion members.

### Former Leo Member

Former Leos over the age of 30 who have been a Leo for at least a year and a day pay no entrance fee or charter fee when joining a Lions club. To receive the fee waiver, complete the Leo to Lion Certification and Years of Service Form and submit with the MMR or club charter application, or complete the certification on MyLCI.

## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

For prospective members who may not be able to meet the obligations of active membership, LCI offers several membership categories to fit their needs.

### Active Member

Active membership is the “typical” category of Lions membership. Active members receive all benefits, and must meet all requirements, of Lions membership.

### Affiliate Member

An affiliate member is someone who is not able to participate as an active member of the club but desires to support the club and its community service initiatives.

### Associate Member

An associate member has active membership in one Lions club and associate membership in a second club in their community of residence or employment.

### Honorary Member

An honorary member is not a member of the Lions club but may be granted honorary membership by a Lions club for having performed outstanding service.

### Life Member

A life member is a Lion who has maintained active membership for at least 20 years, or at least 15 years if the member has reached age 70. Life membership may also be granted to a Lion who is critically ill.

### Member-at-Large

A member-at-large is a member of a club who is unable to regularly attend club meetings but desires to retain membership in the club.

### Privileged Member

A privileged member is a Lion who has been a member 15 or more years but must relinquish active status because of illness, infirmity, advanced age or other reason.

Active	Dues			Dist. or Int'l Office	Voting Privileges	Dist. or Int'l Conv. Delegate
	Club	Dist.	Int'l			
Active	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Affiliate	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Club matters only	No
Associate*	Yes	No	No	No	Club matters only	No
Honorary	No	Club pays	Club pays	No	No	No
Life	Yes	Yes	One-time US\$650	Yes	Yes	Yes
Member-at-Large	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Club matters only	No
Privileged	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		

\* Detailed information regarding the obligations, rights and privileges of all membership categories can be found in the *Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws*.



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