



Membership Application

Worshipful Company of World Traders

Journeyman Membership Application

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The Worshipful Company of World Traders is a modern, vibrant and active Livery Company working within a fine City tradition. Our membership comprises people from a diverse range of professions and backgrounds who come together at our social and business events to enjoy each other's company and exchange their thoughts and ideas. We are delighted that you are considering applying to join us. Please do feel free to contact us to ask questions or request further information. In the first instance, you may wish to take a look at our website – www.world-traders.org.

About This Application Form

The attached application and interview forms for admission as a Journeyman to the Worshipful Company of World Traders are designed to:

- 1 – gain the basic information needed to assess your application;
- 2 – function as a means of ensuring that you have a good idea of what membership involves;
- 3 – provide the basic information we will share after admission with all members to get you started in your life with the Company.

These are then used to arrange your membership interview. If you have any questions about the form, please do feel free to contact the Clerk, Mrs Gaye Duffy, either by telephone: +44 (0) 1727 822181, or email: clerk@world-traders.org

Journeyman Membership

Journeyman membership is for those aged 18-27. Any Journeyman aged 21 or over can apply at any time to become a Freeman of the Company. At the age of 27 Journeymen will normally be invited to take the Freedom and if they do not do so will be deemed to have resigned. Journeyman membership will not be offered to anyone over the age of 25.

A Journeyman is welcome to attend all events organised by the Company at their own cost, except for those events restricted to Freemen and Liverymen

Form Submission

When completed, these forms should be emailed to the Clerk (clerk@world-traders.org), with a cc to your first sponsor and your seconder, accompanied by:

- 1 – a short curriculum vitae (preferably no more than 1-2 pages) which the membership interview panel will use during your interview. This should provide details of your education, professional qualifications, employment history, voluntary work history, positions held in the past 5 years, business associations, awards, publications, and



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other interests. A relatively detailed LinkedIn profile that can be printed may be used if you feel such describes you appropriately.

2 – the Interview Form which is designed to give the membership interview panel information about why you wish to join, your interest in/involvement with world trade and what you believe you can bring to the Company.

3 – a recent ‘headshot’ photograph file (preferably in colour, good resolution .jpg or .png) which you would find acceptable to be placed on the membership database on the Company website, should you be admitted to the Company.



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You

Title of address, e.g. Sir, Professor, Dr, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss:

First name:

Middle name(s):

Surname:

Post-nominal letters or initials, e.g. PhD, MSc, BA, if you prefer to use them at formal occasions:

Preferred form of address, e.g. 'Bill' or 'Sue' or nickname – Dear "X":

Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy): dd mm yyyy

Spouse/partner's name if relevant:

Nationality(ies):

Preferred description of occupation or expertise, e.g. "accountant", "lawyer", "student":



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Contact Details

Home Address:

University/employer:

Title/position:

University/Work Address:

Preferred address for correspondence:

Home

University/Work

Email:

Home Tel:

Office Tel:

Mobile:

Fax:

Twitter*:

LinkedIn*:

*The Company uses Twitter and LinkedIn for prompt communication and we would encourage you to register.



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1. Why are you interested in joining the Company?

The Company has a broad spectrum of members:

2. Tell us about your education career/links

People come to us in different ways. We would be interested in hearing your experience

3. Tell us how you heard about the Company, and do you know people who belong?

Full membership of a Livery Company is a commitment for life. It involves charitable giving and participation as much as possible in the Company activities

4. How much do you know about the commitments of belonging to a Livery Company and how will they fit in with your way of life?

5. Are there any particular aspects of Company life you would like to get involved in?

Engagement:

Discussions:

Social events:

Charitable activities:

Fun/other:

6. Are there any questions you would like to ask us?



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Volunteering

From time to time we are asked to give support to Schools, Colleges and other educational institutions in a variety of ways. In order to be able to respond efficiently to such requests (and indeed to initiate offers of help) we are drawing up a register of members who are willing to offer their time/skills/experience.

If this is something you might feel able to get involved in, we would be grateful if you would complete the section below:

Area of Expertise:	
Type of help offered:	Please tick
1. Mentoring individual students: a) Sixth Form b) Higher Education	
2. Giving a careers talk	
3. Contributing to seminars and or business studies lessons	
4. Working with school leavers on CVs, application forms and interviews skills	
5. Offering work experience to secondary school students	
6. Inviting secondary school pupils into your company for work related visits	
7. School Governor / NED MAT	
8. Other – please specify	

Please note that this information may eventually appear on the Members' section of the website but will not be in the public domain.



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Sponsors

You need two sponsors. One must be a Liveryman of the Company and the other must be a member of the Court of the Company. Before you submit this form please do confirm with your first and second sponsor that they are prepared to support your application. The Clerk will confirm with your sponsors that they have agreed.

First Sponsor:

How many years have you known your first sponsor?

Second Sponsor:

How many years have you known your second sponsor?

Other information – any other comments or special points you might wish to make to ensure that your application is properly evaluated?

DECLARATION & CONFIRMATION

If elected, I hereby solemnly and sincerely Declare and Affirm that I shall abide by and observe the Constitution, Ordinances and Bye-laws of the Worshipful Company of World Traders, support and assist the Master, Wardens, Assistants and my fellow members in the furtherance of the Company's aims and objectives in connection with world trading in all its aspects, and uphold the ancient laws and customs of the City of London.

I confirm that I am not an undischarged bankrupt, and that I have not been convicted of a criminal offence.

(Note: Applicants need not disclose convictions which are spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974.)

Signature (electronically type your name for now will do – you will be expected to provide a handwritten signature at your interview):

Date:

dd

mm

yyyy



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Timetable

- † 12 November 2018 Last date for receipt of application forms from sponsors
- 26 November 2018 Interview with Membership committee. Interviews normally take place in the late afternoon in the City.
- 17 January 2019 Suitable candidates recommended by the Membership Committee to the Court for approval. Candidates are NOT required to attend on this day.
- Written notification of results sent to candidates as soon as possible after this Court meeting.
- 24 January 2019 New World Traders invited to attend Court meeting to be admitted formally as Journeymen of the Company.

(Should you not be able to meet the timetable described above, then the next group of membership applications will be dealt with at the Committee and Court meetings taking place approximately three months later, and if you require dates of these meetings please contact the Clerk.)

Admission ceremonies (to be formally admitted as a Journeyman) normally take place at meetings before the four major events in the calendar: the Installation Dinner in October, the Members' Dinner in January, the Election Dinner in April and the Thanksgiving Service and Summer Lunch in June. The exact dates are to be found on the website.

You will note from the above that it may take up to six months, or longer, between first making your application and becoming a Journeyman. You will, however, be welcome to attend Company events from the time your application and has been received.



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Financial Commitment

A note for potential new members of the Company

The purposes of a Livery Company may be summarised as follows:

1. The furtherance of their trade or craft
2. Fellowship
3. Charitable

The Worshipful Company of World Traders achieves the first two of these with a full programme of events, both social and educational, and the first and last through a Trust fund which is used to support charities or educational institutions which have courses or connections with world trade.

Part of the Company's purpose is to help develop the skills needed for engagement with the outside world. Journeymen are very welcome to take part in these charitable activities.

Subscriptions

1. **Quarterage.** This is effectively the annual membership fee, which falls due on 1st October each year. It is subject to review by the Court in July each year and in subsequent years you will be asked to pay by direct debit.

Quarterage for the year 2017/2018

For Journeymen quarterage has been set at £50 per annum.

9. Any Journeyman who wishes to be admitted as a Freeman can apply to do so from the age of 21. A further interview will be required at that stage. When a Journeyman is admitted as a Freeman, their Freedom fine (currently £250) will be reduced by the quarterage payments they have already made.

3. **Events.** The Company organises a number of events each year, and at many of these guests are particularly welcome. They range from modest refreshment, perhaps after a church service or lecture, to the annual Installation Banquet and Election Dinner. Members pay for the events they choose to attend and, of course, for their guests. The exception is the annual World Traders' Tacitus Lecture, which is paid for by the Company.