**INTERNATIONAL RANGER FEDERATION**

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

The International Ranger Federation (IRF) is a non-profit organisation established to raise awareness of and support the critical work that Rangers do in conserving the world’s natural and cultural heritage.

Associate Membership is open to any individual, group or organisation who align themselves with the aims and objectives and will furthers the cause of the International Ranger Federation or protected areas.

Associate Members do not have full voting rights.

**Process to become an Associate Member of the IRF:**

1. Contact the IRF Executive Officer via [executiveofficer@internationalrangers.org](mailto:executiveofficer@internationalrangers.org) who will refer you to the relevant IRF Regional Representative.
2. The IRF Regional Representative will assist you through the application process and must endorse your application.
3. Complete the CHECKLIST below
4. The Associate Membership application includes a number of sections:
   1. Section A – Association/Organisation Details
   2. Section B – Statement of Affiliation
   3. Section C – IRF Regional Representative endorsement
5. Complete this application and return this application form along with all the relevant documentation to the relevant IRF Regional Representative.
6. The IRF Regional Representative will then submit your application to the IRF Executive Officer.
7. You will then receive an email confirmation from the IRF, which will provide you with a date on when your application will be voted on by the IRF Board.
8. If your application is successful you will receive a welcome email which includes a certificate of membership, other relevant documents such as the IRF Constitution, Statutes & Standing Rules, and essential IRF contact details.

**To establish if you or your organisation/ group qualifies for Associate Membership of the IRF, please review and provide the documents below along with your completed application IF you have them.**

* + Your Association/organisation’s foundation documents (these are the documents used to establish and govern your association/organisation, for example the constitution, registration certificate, by-laws, statutes etc.)
  + Minutes from the most recent general meeting
  + Association/Organisation logo

If you do not qualify for an Associate Membership please apply for a Provisional Membership.

**Official Use Only**

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| Date Received |  |
| Date Responded |  |
| Date Approved |  |
| Membership # |  |

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

1. Contacted the IRF Executive Officer to assist in application process
2. Completed Section A – Association/Organisation Details
3. Completed Section B – Statement of Affiliation
4. Completed Section C – IRF Regional Representative Endorsement
5. Provided copies of the following IF you have them:
   1. Foundation Documents
   2. Meeting minutes
   3. Association/Organisation logo
6. Submitted COMPLETED Application with supporting documents to the relevant IRF Regional Representative

**SECTION A – ASSOCIATION/ORGANISATION DETAILS**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
| **Skype** |  |
| **WhatsApp** |  |

**Person applying (if different from nominated contact person)**

**ASSOCIATION/ ORGANISATION DETAILS - Complete as much as these details as you can**

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| **Name of Association/ Organisation** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **State/ Provincial/ Territorial/ other** |  |
| **Year formed** |  |
| **Website address** |  |
| **Facebook or other social media page/s** |  |
| **General email** |  |
| **Physical address** |  |
| **Number of members employed as Rangers**  **(if relevant)** |  |
| **Preferred language** |  |

**Association / Organisation President/ Chairperson**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
| **Skype** |  |
| **WhatsApp** |  |

**Association/ Organisation’s nominated/ preferred contact person**

* This person will receive all IRF communications
* Preferred contact person (If not President/Chairperson)

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| **Name** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
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**Association/ Organisation’s secondary contact person**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
| **Skype** |  |
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**Association/ Organisation’s tertiary contact person**

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| **Name** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
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**Information about your members and Association/ Organisation**

1. **Describe the main duties of your members**

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1. **Describe the activities of the Association/ Organisation, for example:**

* How many meetings per year?
* How will you encourage more members to join?
* Do you undertake fundraising activities/events?
* Do you produce newsletters?
* Facebook or social media?
* Any other relevant information

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**SECTION B – STATEMENT OF AFFILIATION**

We endorse and support the purposes, aims and objectives of the International Ranger Federation and hereby subscribe our association/organisation as an **Associate Member**.

We agree to meet the basic requirements for being a member in good standing, and will when requested by the IRF:

* Submit a report in regards to the association’s activities, achievements, challenges faced and membership base
* Submit regular articles/updates for use in the IRF Newsletter, website and social media platforms

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| **Association/ Organisation Name** |  |
| **Country** |  |
| **President, Chairperson or Designee** |  |
| **Signature** |  |
| **Date** |  |

**SECTION C – IRF REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE ENDORSEMENT**

I, the undersigned IRF Regional Representative, endorse the membership of the above association/organisation as an **Associate Member** of the **International Ranger Federation.**

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| **IRF Regional Representative Name** |  |
| **IRF Region** |  |
| **Signature** |  |
| **Date** |  |
| **Comments** |  |