

Application for Membership

National Independent Flag Dealers Association

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Thank you for your interest in the National Flag Dealers Association, our membership classes are listed below: Please mark the appropriate classification that best fits your company.

DEALER/RETAILER. A business entity that is a year-round seller at the retail level, in the United States or Canada, of U.S. flags, all of which are manufactured in the United States of U.S.-made components, shall be eligible for membership in this category, provided that (i) the entity has been in business at least two years prior to applying for membership; (ii) the entity maintains a physical place of business; (iii) the majority of the entity's sales (measured by dollar volume) are to end users at the retail level; and (iv) the majority of the entity's sales (measured by dollar volume) are of U.S. flags manufactured only in the United States of U.S.-made components and other Flag Products. Each dealer/retailer member shall be entitled to one vote on Association matters, and the Individual Representative of each such member shall be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

MANUFACTURER/SUPPLIER. A business entity that (i) manufactures, in the United States, the U.S. flag solely of U.S.-made components; (ii) manufactures, in the United States and/or in Canada, other Flag Products; or (iii) distributes U.S. or Canadian made U.S. flags or other Flag Products in the United States, shall be eligible for membership in this category, provided that (a) the entity has been in business at least two years prior to applying for membership; (b) the entity maintains a physical, commercial place of business; and (c) the majority of the entity's sales (measured by dollar volume) are at the wholesale level. Each manufacturer/supplier member shall be entitled to one vote on Association matters, and the Individual Representative of each such member shall be eligible to serve as the manufacturer/supplier member advisor to the Board of Directors.

ASSOCIATE. A business entity that provides products or services to the dealer/retailer and/or manufacturer/supplier members and that, in the sole opinion of the Board of Directors, supports the purposes of the Association shall be eligible for membership in this category. Associate members shall not be entitled to a vote on Association matters and their Individual Representatives shall not be entitled to serve on the Board of Directors.

AFFILIATE. A non-profit or similar entity that, in the sole opinion of the Board of Directors, supports the purposes of the Association shall be eligible for membership in this category. Affiliate members shall not be entitled to a vote on Association matters,
(adopted 2-21-2005)

I am applying for Membership on this day _____ Month _____ Year _____

Firm Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax No.: _____

E-mail address: _____ Web site URL: _____

I. Name and title of principal officers, partners and/or owners:

Name: _____ Title: _____

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Type of organization: () Corporation () Partnership () Sole Proprietorship

Date established: _____ No. of employees: _____

Subsidiary of: _____ Affiliate of: _____

Are you domiciled in the United States: _____ How Long? _____

II. If your firm provides a specialized service instead of producing a given product, please use the space below to outline the services available to other businesses by your firm.

III. List (2) references who are members of NIFDA. (Please print clearly)

Company: _____ Sponsor Name: _____

Email: _____ phone: _____

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I agree that the Board of Directors may invite and receive information from the above references and/or other members of the association as to the acceptance of my application.

Applicants signature: _____

III. Are you a Board member in any other association(s)? Yes No

If yes, please write the name(s): _____

If yes, are you an officer? Yes No

Code of Ethics

- I. All members of NIFDA will maintain high standards of ethical practice in the conduct of their business.
- II. Recognizing that the United States flag is the symbol of United States sovereignty, members, will strictly adhere to a policy of selling in the United States US flags that are "Made in the USA".
- III. When manufacturing flags, members will use only high quality domestic fabrics and threads, when available, and will maintain high standards of quality in the production process.
- IV. As leaders in our industry, members will strive to set an example for others through positive community involvement.
- V. Members will also treat customers, employees, business associates and other members with the utmost respect and consideration.

(adopted 9-21-2000)

Have you read and do you subscribe to the Association's "Code of Ethics"? _____

Signature of Firm's Representative: _____

Title: _____

Dues are **\$425.00** per year. Your first year's dues are required with this application and cover your first 12 months of membership. Proration of dues will appear on the second year's dues notices for those joining during the year and will be required on July 31st. NIFDA's fiscal year is July 1st through June 30th

STATEMENT: "Contributions or gifts to the National Independent Flag Dealers Association are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Dues payments may be deductible by members as an ordinary and necessary expense." See Sec. 10701 of the Revenue Act of 1987.

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

Ms. Terry Stevenson, Executive Director
 NIFDA Corporate Office
 214 N. Hale Street
 Wheaton, IL. 60187

Do not write in this section:

_____ Acc _____ Rej

Membership committee: _____ Chairman

- Items:
- Welcome Letter
 - Membership banner
 - Ethics
 - Membership Roster (downloadable on website)
 - Willingness to Serve