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Becoming a member of Rotary is by invitation only from a member of that club. When one joins you are joining the largest service club in the world with over 1.2 Million members and clubs in nearly every country in the world. All our members put politics, religion, and personal things aside so each member can live by the Rotary Pledge and foster our motto of Service Above Self. Members come from every walk of life and are established leaders in their businesses and communities. The networking of members from a diverse array of professional, educational, governmental, business, and public service organizations helps Rotary provide benefits and service locally as well as globally in a way that is highly effective and hopes to be beneficial to all.

Key points in the process of joining.

- Invitation to visit from a club member and applicant attend a some meetings, then if applicant wishes to join they proceed
- Applicant turn in application form and include a picture and their occupation classification for the website listing
- A representative from the Membership Committee interviews the applicant and recommends to the Board whether or not the Board should approve the application
- Upon Board approval for consideration of membership
the name of the applicant is published in the club newsletter, the Rotazark, for two weeks to see if any members object to the applicant joining the club.
- Reading of the name of the proposed new member at 2 consecutive meetings
- If there are no objections from current club members, the applicant is introduced as a new member by their sponsor at an upcoming meeting
- New member is given a Red name badge until they have completed all the new member requirements
- Red Badge
Requirements to become Blue Badge Fully Active Member on attached sheet—(basically get involved)
- Our Clubs Dues are set at every 6 months
 - Membership \$110 (one time \$ 175 administrative fee if over age 40)
 - Meals \$ 14 per meal, pay as you go
 - Service Fund minimum donation \$50
- Attendance-- at least 50% attendance is expected, a make-up will count toward your attendance
- Make-up-- can visit any Rotary Club in the World or participate in any Rotary event and get a makeup
- Service Projects—voluntary participation but every member is expected to try and participate when they can
- All members strive to follow our pledge of the Rotary 4-Way-Test.

*We hope **YOUR** joining our club and our many activities will be beneficial to all
and add even greater strength
to our motto of Service Above Self.*

Links:

- [Member Candidate Brochure \(6 pages\)](#)
- [membership application](#)
- [checklist to convert from Red badge to Blue Badge](#)
- [info on benefits to you from joining Rotary](#)
- [membership list with members you may know](#)