



Application for **Regular Membership** in the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS)

Regular membership (voting membership) is open to any non-profit organization whose primary purpose is to promote Jewish genealogy. Other organizations may join as a non-voting **Associate Member**. (If applying to become an Associate Member, please use the appropriate form.) Note that an extract of IAJGS Bylaws pertaining to membership requirements and definitions is included in this application. To apply to become a Regular Member in the **International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, Inc. (IAJGS)**, please complete, scan or photograph application and submit by email to membership@iajgs.org

SECTION I: APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Applicant's name (prospective member): _____

2. Incorporated? __ Yes __ No
If yes, in which jurisdiction? _____

3. Date founded: _____

4. Contact person: _____
Telephone #: _____
Email Address: _____

5. Applicant's mailing address: _____

6. Is the applicant a part of a larger organization such as: historical society, museum, JCC, synagogue, genealogical society, other? __ Yes __ No

7. If above was answered "yes", please provide the following for the larger organization:
 - 7a. Name: _____

 - 7b. Mailing Address: _____

 - 7c. Email Address: _____

8. Number of members at time of application: _____
 - 8a. Annual dues at 50 cents (US\$) per member (minimum of \$18): _____

SECTION II: APPLICANT’S MANAGEMENT

Please supply us with your current list of selected Board members. If you have elections subsequent to this application and there are changes, please notify the IAJGS Secretary at secretary@iajgs.org

President	
Name:	Email:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Vice President	
Name:	Email:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Secretary	
Name:	Email:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Treasurer	
Name:	Email:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:

SECTION III: COMMUNICATION WITH APPLICANT’S MEMBERS / CONSTITUENTS

Please tell us if your organization uses any of the following (if yes, please give address):

1. Website: _____
2. Blog: _____
3. Facebook: _____
4. Twitter: _____
5. Instagram: _____
6. YouTube: _____
7. Other: _____

SECTION IV: VERIFYING NON-PROFIT STATUS

The IAJGS Bylaws require that voting Regular Members are non-profit organizations.

- 1. Do the applicant’s governing or other documents (e.g. articles of incorporation or Bylaws) specify non-profit status? __ Yes __ No
- 2. Does the applicant have non-profit status recognized under the laws of your state, province, or country? __ Yes __ No
If no, are you planning on filing? __ Yes __ No
- 3. For USA applicants only: Is the applicant planning to apply for 501(c)(3) status under the IAJGS 501(c)(3) umbrella? __ Yes __ No
If yes, please provide IRS Employer ID Number (EIN): _____

SECTION V: DUES PAYMENT OPTIONS

Annual dues are calculated at 50 cents (US\$) per member (minimum of \$18). Dues may be paid electronically (credit card or PayPal) or by check. Dues should be submitted at the same time as the organization’s application form.

Please see the New Regular Membership Payment Form (regular-member-payment.iajgs.org) for payment instructions.

SECTION VI: REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

- 1. List of members to document minimum membership (see IAJGS Bylaws, Article IV, Section 1).
- 2. Copy of applicant’s governing document, i.e., Bylaws. Please provide copy in English or original with English translation if original is not in English.
- 3. Applicant mission statement or statement of purpose.
- 4. Description of specific activities conducted, publications issued, or forums hosted during the past 12 months that document minimum activities (see IAJGS Bylaws, Article IV, Section 1).

SECTION VII: APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE

The applicant hereby applies for Associate Membership in IAJGS and agrees to adhere to the objectives of the IAJGS (per Article III of its Bylaws). The applicant organization hereby represents that it meets the minimum requirements for Associate Membership (per Article IV of its Bylaws). The applicant organization understands that the IAJGS Membership Committee will be consider this application and that additional documentation may be requested. If membership is denied, any submitted payment will be returned.

Signature of authorized officer: _____

Printed name of authorized officer: _____

Title of authorized officer: _____

Date: _____

Extract of IAJGS Bylaws Pertaining to Membership

For the complete Bylaws, go to www.bylaws.iajgs.org.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Regular Membership. Any non-profit organization whose principal purpose is to promote Jewish genealogy shall be eligible for **Regular Membership** in the Association if it meets the following criteria:

1. Has at least 10 dues-paying members.
2. Holds regular meetings at least quarterly, or conducts meaningful ongoing activities relating to Jewish genealogy at least 4 (four) times a year, or publishes a newsletter, journal or any electronic form of publication at least 2 (two) times a year, or convenes an electronic discussion group, or undertakes other significant Jewish genealogical research projects.
3. Adheres to the objectives of these Bylaws.
4. Pays its annual IAJGS membership fees.

Regular Members are entitled to vote on matters concerning the Association, participate in IAJGS activities, receive mailings and other information, and are eligible to receive and purchase products and services produced by the IAJGS for its members.

Section 2. Associate Membership. Any other organization can be considered a **Non-Voting Associate Member** of the Association if it meets the following criteria:

1. Adheres to the objectives of these Bylaws.
2. Pays its annual IAJGS membership fees. [Dues for Associate Members are US\$50 per year or \$100 for genealogical vendors.]

Section 3. Applications for membership shall be reported to the Board of Directors by the Membership Committee. Each new member must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board.

Annual membership fees are payable on the 1st of January of each calendar year. Any member that has not paid its required membership fees by the 1st of March of any calendar year shall cease to be in good standing until such fees have been paid.

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