

North Carolina Press Association

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

CLASSIFICATION OF REQUESTED MEMBERSHIP

Active Member: A printed publication produced locally of current events and news and editorial commentaries of interest to the general reading public published and issued (regardless of place of printing) from a known office of publication within NC. The known office of publication must be a public office where the business of the publication is transacted during normal business hours. Applicant shall have been regularly and continuously issued and circulated at least once per week for a period of twelve months, or unless it shall have been regularly and continuously issued and circulated at least monthly for two years and at least once per week for a period of six months. A printed publication containing an average of less than 25 percent news shall not be considered or construed to be a newspaper.

Daily Newspaper Division (published five days or more per week)

Dues amount equal to full page of advertising at 85% of the published local open rate

Community Newspaper Division (published four days or less per week)

Dues amount equal to full page of advertising at 65% of the published local open rate

Associate Members: Persons, firms, corporations, agencies and associations determined by the Board of Directors to be appropriately concerned with furthering the objectives of the Association may be elected to membership as Associate Members. Associate Members may include, but shall not necessarily be limited to, news services, newspaper syndicates, trade journals, advertising and public relations firms, governmental agencies, and manufacturers and distributors of printing and publishing supplies and equipment. Associate Members shall pay such dues, and shall enjoy such membership privileges, as the Board of Directors shall determine from time to time; provided, however, that Associate Members shall not be granted voting privileges or the privilege, without leave, of participating in debate concerning any official action of the association.

Corporate Membership \$500.00

Small Business Membership (less than 10 employees) \$350.00

501(c)3 Organization Membership \$300.00

Collegiate Membership \$150.00

Online Members: A publication that has been published and updated at least once a week for the previous 12-month period and continues to be updated no less than once a week shall be eligible if it is devoted principally to the dissemination of original news content, with news constituting a minimum of 25 percent of overall content; does not serve primarily as a platform to promote the interest and/or opinions of an individual or non-journalistic cause; has a known North Carolina-based office of publication, open to the public, where business or publication is transacted, with a local telephone number that is included in each updated publication; and abides by copyright, trademark and all other state and federal laws. Online publications shall have no voting privileges or the privilege, without leave, of participating in debate concerning any official action of the association.

Online Membership \$350.00

YOUR ORGANIZATION

Applicant, briefly describe your organization:

Explain why you are interested in joining NCPA:

CONTACT & PUBLICATION INFORMATION

Contact name	email:	Phone:
Title	Corporate ownership (if applicable):	
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Date of publication of first issue (active and online members) :		
Paid or free publication:	Day(s) of publication :	
Frequency of online updates (online members):	Circulation or unique monthly visitors:	
Web site address:		

Membership is voted on by the Board of Directors at one of the regularly scheduled meetings. A board vote follows approval by the membership committee. You will be invoiced upon membership approval.

Dues are payable on August 1 of every year and billed in June/July. Dues are not pro-rated.

Payment of organizational dues is generally deductible as ordinary and necessary business expense.

Contributions or gifts are generally not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

Active member applicants include most recent statement of ownership, last four publications and current rate card.