

**WISCONSIN GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP DUES POLICY**

Membership in WGFOA is based on an individual being a member, not an organization.

The terms of membership include:

- Payment of the annual dues.
- Membership year is January 1 to December 31.
- Membership dues are not prorated if someone becomes a member during the year.
- The membership belongs to the individual, regardless of who pays the dues.
- Membership transfers with the individual if the individual changes place of employment.
- Membership dues are not refunded if the member leaves a place of employment before the end of a membership year.

**Government/School members**

The following terms and conditions apply to Government/School members:

- Government/School member – An individual who is a public official or employee of any of the following and pays the membership dues to WGFOA.
  - Governmental entity within the State of Wisconsin
  - An entity that is eligible for WRS (Wisconsin Retirement System) participation
  - Faculty of a higher educational institution
- Government/School members will receive a login and password to access the information available to members only on the WGFOA website.
- Government/School members are able to attend conferences and training events sponsored by WGFOA at the member rate.
- Government/School members are voting members of the organization.
- Government/School members may have job openings at their organization posted on the WGFOA website.

**Student members**

The following terms and conditions apply to Student members:

- Student member – All students enrolled in either an undergraduate or graduate program or express an interest in governmental accounting or public finance.
- Student members will receive a login and password to access the information available to members only on the WGFOA website.
- Student members will be able to attend conferences and training events sponsored by WGFOA at the member rate.

## **Business members**

The following terms and conditions apply to Business members:

- An individual who is not eligible for Government/School or Student membership and has paid the appropriate dues to become a WGFOA member.
- The first member of an organization to apply for membership must pay the organization membership fee first. The organization membership fee includes the individual membership fee for the first individual from that organization.
- Additional individuals employed by that firm will pay the same individual membership fee that Government/School members do to become a member.
- The membership belongs to the individual, not the organization.
- If a Business member changes his/her place of employment, the individual will retain his/her membership in WGFOA during that membership year provided the new employer is a member of WGFOA. In the event the new employer is not a member of WGFOA, the fee for an organization to become a member must be paid.
- Business members will receive a login and password to access the information available to members only on the WGFOA website.
- Business members will have access to members through networking, access to membership directory through the WGFOA website, attendance at conferences, training sessions, and other opportunities.
- Business members may be called on to be a presenter at a conference or other training event of WGFOA based on the member's area of expertise.
- Business members will be able to attend conferences and training events sponsored by WGFOA at the member rate.
- Business members may have job openings and other authorized announcements posted on WGFOA's website.

## **Honorary members**

The following terms and conditions apply to Honorary members:

- Honorary members: Those individuals granted honorary membership as voted upon by Executive Board members.
- Honorary members will be entitled to a waiver of the annual membership dues.
- Honorary members will be entitled to a waiver of registration fees for all WGFOA sponsored events, unless it is a joint sponsored event with another entity.
- Honorary members will receive a login and password to access the information available to members only on the WGFOA website.

## **Non-members**

The following conditions apply to non-members:

- Non-members: An individual who desires to participate in WGFOA activities or access the WGFOA website and have not paid the annual membership dues.

- Non-members are required to pay the non-member rate when attending conferences and other training events held by WGFOA.
- Non-members will not have access to the member's only section of WGFOA's website.
- Non-members may not have access to membership information other than what is provided at the conference.
- Non-members may not have job openings or other authorized announcements posted on the WGFOA website.

### **WGFOA website**

The WGFOA website will have a public and member's only section. The member's only section includes, but is not limited to, such items as:

- Member information
- Conference presentations
- Bulletin board

Member's access to this information will only be through the WGFOA website. WGFOA will not sell membership lists.

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