

Dear Prospective Member,

We are very pleased that you are considering membership in the Rotary Club of Windermere. The information below outlines the privileges and commitments of Rotary membership.

#### What Is Rotary?

Rotary International is a service organization with 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs in over 200 countries. Rotary is a diverse organization, apolitical, nonsectarian, and open to all faiths. A Rotary Club's membership is representative of the community it serves. As a global network, we strive to build a world where people unite and take actions to create lasting change. Rotary values diversity and celebrates the contributions of people of all backgrounds, regardless of their age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

#### Our motto is: Service Above Self

The Rotary Club of Windermere brochure gives a broad overview of the benefits that Rotary provides locally and internationally. The rewards of membership are measured in the good that you do and the benefit that you derive from participation in the Rotary Club of Windermere.

#### What Is the Rotary Club of Windermere?

The Rotary Club of Windermere was chartered in 1969. When you join our club, you become part of a prestigious group of leaders in the Central Florida community. Located in the heart of Windermere at Town Hall, our club boasts a membership of nearly 50 active members. Through weekly meetings and club committee involvement, you will gain lifelong friendships that you would not acquire otherwise. It is truly a club of fellowship, community, and business connections like no other.

#### What Are My Commitments to Rotary?

Club members assume personal and financial obligations including dues, meals and involvement in club projects. A Rotary club's primary purpose is to provide service to the local community through donations of time, talent, and treasure. Members support the international community through the Rotary Foundation.

#### Fellowship and Business Connections

Rotary membership has a certain prestige. You meet many of the community's present and upcoming leaders. There are opportunities to network, socialize and develop business relationships with other club members. However, expecting to solicit business from other members should not be motivation for joining Rotary. Members should refrain from networking for business purposes during club meetings. When we focus on Rotary activities, business opportunities often appear at the most unexpected times.

#### Attendance

Rotary International encourages regular meeting attendance. Our club targets attendance of at least 50% of the weekly meetings. You are also encouraged to attend a meeting at any Rotary club anywhere in the world or online at http://rotaryeclubone.org. Attending meetings in other local clubs, other states, or other countries is a highlight of being a Rotarian. When you walk into another club's meeting, you are instantly surrounded and welcomed warmly by new friends.

#### Rotary Club of Windermere Meetings

Rotary Club of Windermere meetings are normally held every Tuesday except holidays. On the 4th Monday of the month, we have an informal social at 6 pm. Tuesday meetings start at about 6:45 AM, with time to network, socialize, and have a light breakfast followed by a presentation of interest to members, and adjournment at 8:00 AM. The Rotary Satellite Club meets on pre-announced Thursdays at 11:30 AM at Health Central Hospital. As a courtesy to our speakers, you are expected to remain until the meeting is adjourned. If you must leave earlier, please do so before the speaker begins.

#### Membership Levels and Fees

<u>Category</u> <u>N</u>	o of members	Fee Paid Quarterly	Fee Paid Annually
Individual Membership	o 1	\$155	\$ 620
Family Membership	2	\$240	\$ 960
Corporate Membershi	р 3	\$365	\$ 1,460
eMember	1	\$75	\$ 300
Honorary Membership	o 1	\$0	\$0

A \$25 per quarter donation to the international Rotary Foundation quarter is highly encouraged.

There is a member application fee. It varies with membership type as delineated in the application form.

#### **Family Membership**

Family Membership is encouraged. The family membership is limited to two individuals living in the same home.

#### **Corporate Membership**

The Rotary Club of Windermere invites corporations to join. The corporation may appoint up to three persons to be its designees, one of whom must be a member of that entity's local management group (primary member); the others must be employed by the corporation. Each designee will be listed as an individual member of the club and it will be noted in the roster that they are designees of the corporation. If the designee of the eligible corporation is no longer an employee of the corporation, they may convert to an individual membership in the club with all related requirements. Corporate members may have their logo prominently shown on the club website, and will receive discounts for sponsorships of club events, as determined by the Board. All corporate members, like any other individual member, may vote and hold office.

#### eMembership

A Rotarian who cannot attend meetings regularly but wants to be active may join as an eMember or convert their regular individual membership to an eMembership. This membership allows the member to participate in all service or fundraising projects but recognizes their inability to regularly attend meetings. eMembers may not be club officers or board members.

#### **Honorary Membership**

The Rotary Club of Windermere grants Honorary membership to select officials and major contributors to the community.



# PROSPECTIVE MEMBER APPLICATION

Please provide the information below. SAVE it in your computer; PRINT it, scan and email it *back* as an Attachment through your sponsor.

This section to be completed for Corporate Membership Applications only:

Corporate Name: _			
Primary Address: _			
Phone / Contact Int	formation: _		
Website:			
Personal facts			
Title First Name			MI:
Last Name			
Nickname		(if you want it for your Badge	name, e.g. Charles = Chuck)
Date of Birth (MO/DAY/YEA	R):/_	<u> </u>	
Email address			
Residence			
Street:			
City	State	Zip	
Phone:	Cell	Phone:	
Spouse's Name:		Children's Names:	
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Please list your hobbies and areas of interest. This information simply allows us to integrate you into the Rotary family where similar interests in other members exist.

# **Business**

Company:				
Occupation / Job Title:				
Phone:		Ext:	Fax:	
Business Address				
Street:				
City	State	Zip		_

## Membership Requirements – Rotary International

Rotary Club membership requirements are specified in Article 5, Section 2 of the Rotary International Constitution. "A club shall be composed of adult persons who demonstrate good character, integrity, and leadership; possess good reputation within their business, profession, occupation, and/or community; and are willing to serve in their community and/or around the world."

## Additional Considerations

My signature below indicates I understand:

- ✓ Attendance at weekly meetings is encouraged for all Rotary memberships. Additionally, I understand that I am expected to participate and support club activities throughout the year.
- ✓ I anticipate the expenses listed below and understand they are part of my Rotary obligation.
- ✓ My application will be reviewed by the Membership Committee and assigned an appropriate classification designation.
- The membership process will take approximately 4-6 weeks to complete. Normally, prospective members are expected to attend three club meetings or events before their application will be considered.
- By applying for membership, my application will be circulated to the membership at large. I have no objection to my application being circulated.
- ✓ I recognize that my application may be rejected for whatever reason deemed appropriate.
- I understand that, as a Rotarian, I will have access to member data that will used in accordance with the Rotary data usage policy that limits the use of that data to Rotary purposes only.

Rotary Club of Windermere Fees			
Application Fee	Quarterly Fees		
\$100 for Individual, eMember, or Corporate	Individual (1)	\$155	
\$200 for Family	Family (2)	\$240	
No application fee for returning former	Corporate (3)	\$365	
members, transferring members, or	eMember (Requires Board Approval)	\$75	
Honorary members.	Honorary	No fee	
	Rotary Foundation	\$25 (voluntary donation)	

# Please sign your name below and indicate the type of membership you are requesting from the box above.

Signature	Membership Type Requested	Date
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I prefer to be billed <u>quarterly</u> or <u>annually</u> (please circle one).

I <u>will</u> or <u>will not</u> donate \$25 per quarter to the Rotary Foundation (please circle one).

# TO BE COMPLETED BY SPONSOR:

Print and sign Sponsor's Name:

Please note how long you have known the applicant and provide and a brief statement explaining why the applicant should be invited to be become a member.

## TO BE COMPLETED BY CLUB SECRETARY:

Member Type: Individual	Family Corporate	eMember Honorary
Main Club	Satellite Club	
Paul Harris Fellow:	Yes No	
Date sent to Board:	Date approved by Board:	
Sent to Membership:	Approved by Membership:	
Picture provided:	Date inducted:	_ Date data input into database:



#### NEW MEMBER RED BADGE PROGRAM

The Rotary Club of Windermere Red Badge Program is designed to encourage new members to quickly get involved in club activities, meet other members, and make new friends. This is a shared responsibility between the new member and the sponsor. The sponsor's role is to serve as guide, coach, and mentor to the new member. This program may be tailored for Corporate members and may be tailored or omitted for returning and transferring members.

Start Date

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Activities		<u>Date</u>	<u>Initial</u>
1. Contact Membership Chair & co	mplete new member orientation.		
2. Participate in a Rotary Club of V	/indermere committee meeting.		
3. Select and join a committee.			
4. Attend a Rotary Club of Winderr	nere Board meeting.		
5. Greet members and guests prio	r to regular meetings for 3 weeks.		
6. Collect Happy Dollars at a regul	ar meeting.		
7. Introduce guests at a regular me	eeting.		
8. Give Classification speech.			
9. Attend a meeting at another Rol	ary Club.		
10. Attend a Rotary function other	than a regular meeting.		
11. Contact the Club Secretary and	d schedule trainings in the		
the purpose and use of winder	mererotary.org, DACdb.com,		
rotarydistrict6980.org, and rota	ry.com.		
12. Pay application fee.			
13. Pay first quarterly dues.			
14. Optional - Sign up to donate \$2	25 quarterly to Rotary Foundation.		
<u>Completed</u> :			
Member	Sponsor		
Club Secretary	Date completed		