

# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP



COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Board of Directors—Primary Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Direct Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Board of Directors—Secondary Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Direct Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Technical Committee—Primary Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Direct Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Technical Committee—Secondary Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Direct Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Direct Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Categories of Membership:

- 1) **Regular Manufacturing Membership:** A manufacturer, importer or marketer that offers laminate flooring for sale within North America. This does not include flooring distributors. The Regular Member must maintain an office of record within North America. Within a legal business entity, if the company has multiple “brand” names, then the regular member must specify which brand name the “regular” member membership is listed under and, thus, which company has voting rights. Annual dues are \$20,000.  
  
(a) **Additional Label Regular Manufacturing Membership:** For membership recognition to other “brand” names of a company that already possesses Regular Manufacturing Membership under one of its brand names. Annual dues are \$6,500 per brand name.
- 2) **Associate Membership:** Any corporation, partnership, or proprietorship, organized and operating in North America, not otherwise eligible for membership within a Regular Manufacturing Membership category, that is regularly engaged in the business of selling goods to businesses that are eligible to be Regular members of the Association shall be eligible to be an Associate member of the Association. Businesses that are also qualified to be Regular members shall not be eligible to join as Associate members. There is no criterion for actual current sales to be generated to be an Associate Member. Annual dues are \$10,000.
- 3) **Testing House/Lab/Academic Membership:** Membership in this category is open to entities whose primary purpose is serving as a laboratory, test house or academic institution that works in the area of laminates. Annual dues are \$5,000.
- 4) **Buying Group or Cooperative Membership:** Membership is open to those entities that consider themselves Buying Groups, Marketing Groups or Cooperative groups within the flooring industry. Annual dues are \$10,000.

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New member dues will be pro-rated for the quarter in which the member joins, based on the receipt of the first payment.

## Benefits and Responsibilities of Membership Categories

	<u>Board Membership</u>	<u>Technical Committee</u>	<u>Marketing Committee</u>	<u>Educational Committee</u>	<u>Underlayment Committee</u>
Regular	Yes 1 Vote	Yes Vote*	Yes Vote**	Yes Vote **	Yes Vote**
Additional Label	Attend No Vote	Yes Vote*	No N/A	Yes Vote**	Yes Vote**
Associate	Attend*** No Vote	Yes Vote	Yes** Vote	Yes** Vote	Yes ** Vote
All others	Attend *** General Sessions No Vote	Yes** Vote - Issue Dependant	Yes** Vote	Yes** Vote	Yes** Vote

\* Membership as defined by the committee's current policies. Technical currently has a 1 person-1-vote policy.

\*\* May be invited to join the committee as needed. In some cases there are a limited number of participants. It should be noted that the membership criteria of all committees is determined by the Board.

\*\*\* May be excluded from Regular Member deliberations as required.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED that attendance at meetings, by ANY category of membership, can be limited due to financial limitations, meeting space limits, the anticipated work load, etc.

- My company is applying for:
- Regular Manufacturing Membership
  - An additional Label Regular Manufacturing Membership
  - Associate Membership
  - Testing House/Lab/Academic Membership
  - Buying Group or Cooperative Membership

**Membership Categories:** Please note that "Additional Label Regular Manufacturing Membership" is ONLY available to supplement a Regular Manufacturing Member. In order to complete the application process for this category, please complete a separate application for each and append these to the original application of the "sponsoring" member (i.e., the Regular Manufacturing Member) for processing.

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Describe the business your company is engaged in:

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Applicant certifies that it has read and understands the NALFA Bylaws and that it accepts them; and, if accepted into membership in NALFA, it agrees to observe and be bound by the provisions thereof to it. Applicant further agrees, if accepted into such membership, to pay all NALFA initiation fees, dues, and assessments when they are due.

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Applicant (Legal Name)

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Title

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Signature

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Date

Please return completed application to:

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