



Application Form

APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Web Site Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Number 1: _____ Phone Number 2: _____

Industry Applying for: _____

Sponsor's Name: _____

EXPERIENCE AND CREDENTIALS

Experience in industry applying for: _____

Length of time In industry applying for: _____

Education, Licenses, Credentials in industry applying for: _____

Has your license ever been revoked or suspended *(if yes explain)* : Yes No

Is the industry you are applying for your primary occupation: Yes No

STANDARDS AND EXPECTATIONS

Are you able and willing to make the commitment to arrive at our weekly meeting on time and stay throughout the 90 minutes and agree to abide by Apple Grower's Objectives and Expectations of Members in Good Standing: Yes No

Are you willing and able to send a substitute if you are unable to attend a meeting: Yes No

Are you willing and able to bring referrals and/or visitors to the Apple Growers weekly meeting: Yes No

Do you belong to other networking organizations: Yes No

MEMBERSHIP FEE / TERM

The AppleGrower's term/fee is measured from the application date. Applications dated between the 1st and the 15th of the month shall begin their term on the 1st of the month. Applications dated after the 15th of the month shall begin their term on the 1st of the following month. All terms will end on May 31st. Terms that start on June 1st will run for 1 year. 1 year term membership fee is \$240 (\$20/month). All other terms/fee will be prorated.

I hereby declare and certify that all statements contained in this application and any accompanying documents are true and correct, and that any misrepresentation or false statement may be grounds for rejecting my application or, if discovered after my application has been accepted, subject me to immediate termination. I further understand that my membership is conditional and I agree, accept and will abide by all the terms and conditions set forth herein and those contained within the Apple Grower's Application and Apple Grower's Objectives and Expectations, all of which I have had the opportunity to review and have received. I understand and agree that upon my acceptance to the Apple Growers fees are non-refundable without exception.

Applicant's Name *(please print)*: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____



Objectives and Expectation of Members in Good Standing

ATTENDANCE

- a. Members are expected to attend each weekly meeting. Members are permitted to miss three (3) weekly meetings during any six (6) month period. Each calendar year shall have two (2) six (6) month periods: June 1st to November 30th and December 1st to May 31st.
- b. If a Member is going to be absent, they are encouraged to have a Substitute attend the weekly meeting in their place. A Member who has a Substitute attend in their place will not be assessed a miss as described in (1)(a) above.
- c. Members who bring a Guest to a weekly meeting will earn an additional permitted absence. There is no limit to the number of additional permitted misses that a Member may earn by bringing a Guest to a weekly meeting.
- d. The Board of Directors shall review all members annually at the end of May which is the end of the fiscal year for Apple Growers. At this annual review, the Board will determine if active members will need to reapply or if they will be automatically renewed for the next year based on 1) competitive applications for others of the same specialty and 2) attendance and participation in the preceding 12 months.
- e. All new members acknowledge that participation in other networking groups is prohibited. The purpose of Apple Growers networking is to build professional referrals within the members of this group; membership at other groups is a potential barrier and conflict of interest.
- f. The person(s) attending the meetings regularly shall be the owner of the membership spot until they leave the group or their membership is ended by the Board of Directors. This includes employees attending on behalf of employer.

AWESOME OPPORTUNITY

- a. A Member must have an Awesome Opportunity three (3) out of every four (4) weeks.
- b. A referral which results in closed business satisfies the expectation set out in Section 2(a) above for the three (3) weeks immediately following the announcement of the closed business and the week of the announcement.
- c. During the weekly Awesome Opportunity period, a Member shall not make a negative statement. The Awesome Opportunity period is the WOW moment and the most rewarding part of the weekly meeting.
- d. This is NOT the time for Members to list what referrals they are servicing, what referrals they have received from another Member or an upcoming One-on-One. It is a time to pass new referrals, announce completed One-on-One meetings, provide a testimonial about a fellow Member or inform the group of closed business.

ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS

- a. Members are expected to schedule a One-on-One meeting with another Member as often as possible, and preferably on a weekly basis.

FAILURE TO FULFILL EXPECTATIONS

- a. A Member who fails to satisfy the expectation(s) described herein shall receive a notice from the President, or any person to whom said responsibility is delegated, stating the expectation(s) not satisfied and purpose of notice (“Expectation Notice”).
- b. A Member who receives an Expectation Notice will be placed on probation for a period of one (1) month. If, during this probationary period, the Member shall fail to fulfill any expectation described herein, the Member may be removed from the Apple Growers and its membership terminated.

DEFINITIONS

Awesome Opportunity: the announcement of a new referral, completed One-on-One meeting or testimonial for another Member.

Guest: a person who visits a weekly Apple Growers meeting, is invited by a Member, is a professional working in a profession not occupied by a Member and has not previously visited.

Member: all persons whose application has been accepted by the membership committee, signed and understand the Objectives and Expectations of Members in Good Standing and paid the annual membership fee.

Substitute: a person who visits a weekly Apple Growers meeting in place of an absent Member and gives that Member’s weekly commercial; this can be any person, in any profession; the term will be interpreted liberally. A substitute cannot be a member of the Apple Growers. Substitute will be allowed to give there commercial.

RECORD KEEPING

- a. The President, as that position is appointed by the Apple Growers, shall be responsible for recording and tracking of these objectives and expectations.
- b. The President may delegate these responsibilities as s/he deems necessary.

I _____ agree with the above objectives and expectations of the Apple Growers. I understand that failure to comply with the above objectives and expectations will result in the termination of my Apple Growers membership and forfeiture of my annual membership fee. I further understand that if I resign voluntarily from the Apple Growers that I forfeit the remainder of my membership fee.

Applicant Name *(please print)*: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____