

REACT International, Inc.

Policy Statement

Policy 3-01

SUBJECT: Membership, Dues, and Renewals

PURPOSE: Provide guidance to *REACT* Teams on membership matters

SCOPE: All Teams

GENERAL:

REACT International, Inc., operates on a calendar year basis (1 January through 31 December). Memberships, benefits, dues, and charter renewals are valid for that period.

DATES:

Team fees and membership dues are due and payable on 1 January each year, with a grace period until 31 January. A late renewal fee is charged for renewals during February and March. After 31 March, unrenewed team charters and individual memberships are suspended. Renewals made after 28 February will usually cause a temporary interruption of benefits.

Dues for current members are not prorated, and after paid are not refundable. The dues for new members joining on or after 1 July are reduced by 50%, and cover the period 1 July through 31 December

LIFE MEMBERSHIP:

Individual *REACT* members who have completed at least two years of membership in one or more *REACT* Teams may be granted Life Membership upon payment of the current fee. Life Membership fees are not refundable and Life Memberships are not transferable. Life Member status exempts the member from payment of *REACT* International membership dues so long as the member is in good standing with *REACT* International, whether a Team member or not.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS:

REACT Team members may transfer from one team to another by notifying *REACT* International, Inc., headquarters and paying a transfer fee. The transferred member will be removed from the previous Team's roster and issued a member identification card for the new team. *REACT* Affiliates may transfer to a local *REACT* team at any time. The unused portion of their paid Affiliate dues will be prorated and any remaining balance applied to *REACT* International Team dues (the balance will be billed to the new Team for payment). *REACT* International membership is not transferable between individuals.

MEMBERSHIP IN MORE THAN ONE TEAM:

REACT members may belong to any number of Teams. However, *REACT* International's records will reflect the member on only the teams for which *REACT* International dues were received. Multiple *REACT* memberships may not be used to gain multiple individual benefits, voting rights, etc. An individual may not be both a *REACT* Affiliate member and a *REACT* Team member.

PERSONS WITH CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS:

Teams are encouraged to conduct background checks on prospective members. Persons convicted of any felony are not eligible to participate in any Team activity or for REACT Team membership. Teams should carefully consider the nature and seriousness of the offense(s) for those convicted of misdemeanors.

TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP:

REACT International, Inc., has two regular types of memberships: Team and non-team (consisting of Life, and Affiliate; in addition, the Board of Directors may designate Honorary Members).

Categories of Team Membership recognized by *REACT* International, Inc., are Regular, Family, Junior, Life, Honorary. All members of a Team (except Honorary) must be registered with *REACT* International.

Team members are issued membership cards by *REACT* International, Inc. Persons whose individual dues have not been paid to *REACT* International are not *REACT* members, and are not entitled to any *REACT* benefits, including coverage under group insurance policies issued to *REACT* International.

REACT International's publication, The *REACT*er, is received by Team Regular, Life, and Junior members whose parents are not *REACT* members, and Affiliate members. All other members can purchase a subscription at the published price.

TEAM CHARTERS AND GUIDELINES:

Team charters may be issued by *REACT* International, Inc., to organizations which have three or more members who apply and agree to abide by the purposes of *REACT* International, Inc. Team charter certificates are the property of *REACT* International, Inc., are non-transferable, and are granted on a non-exclusive basis (meaning a Team does not have exclusive rights to a specific area of coverage of Team activity). More than one Team may be granted a charter by *REACT* International in any area. Team charters are issued and renewed on a calendar-year basis. Teams are recognized by their team name and charter number as issued by *REACT* International, Inc. The team may not change or alter in any way its name without the written consent of *REACT* International, Inc. No two teams may have a same or similar name in the same state, or in a different state within 100 miles from an existing team. Teams chartered after 1984 must include "*REACT*" in their name.

Applications for new team charters must include the provision that a monitoring program on CB Channel 9 or other radio service will be implemented.

Organizations and businesses that work with *REACT* teams, and operate on CB, GMRS, and Amateur frequencies, may not identify themselves as being *REACT* members.

INCORPORATION OF EXISTING TEAMS:

A Team wishing to incorporate in its state should notify *REACT* International prior to beginning the process. Incorporation is, legally, creation of a new entity, and the new organization will not be entitled to retain its name or charter number without permission of *REACT* International. Articles of Incorporation

and Bylaws must contain appropriate language required of Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Upon issuance of the corporate charter by the appropriate State agency, the Team must furnish a copy of the Articles of Incorporation, corporate charter, and Bylaws to *REACT* International.

OFFICER LISTS:

REACT Teams must submit a list of their officers/leaders when the Team charter is renewed each year, with changes submitted as they occur.

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