



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://rotaryclubone.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 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**

<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>No of members</u></b>	<b><u>Fee Paid Quarterly</u></b>	<b><u>Fee Paid Annually</u></b>
Individual Membership	1	\$140	\$ 560
Family Membership	2	\$210	\$ 840
Corporate Membership	3	\$350	\$1400
eMember	1	\$75	\$300
Honorary Membership	1	\$0	\$0

## **Family Membership**

Family Membership is encouraged. The family unit can be both spouses or one spouse and a young adult living at 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; the others must be employed by the corporation. Each designee will be listed as an active 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.

## **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, email it *back* as an Attachment through your sponsor or to the club secretary. You may print it for return to the club Secretary and include or send a copy to your sponsor.

### 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/YEAR): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

### Residence

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Children's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

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# 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 meetings 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.

Rotary Club of Windermere Fees			
One Time		<u>Quarterly Fees</u>	
Initiation Fee	\$100	Individual (1)	\$140
		Family (2)	\$210
		Corporate (3)	\$350
		eMember (Requires Board Approval	\$75
		Honorary	No fee
		Rotary Foundation	\$25 (voluntary donation)

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature                                      Membership Type Requested                                      Date**

To be completed by Sponsor:

Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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: \_\_\_\_

# Rotary Club of Windermere



## New Member Red Badge Program

The Windermere Rotary 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.

New member \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Activities</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Initial</u>
1. Contact Membership Chair & complete new member orientation.	_____	_____
2. Participate in a Windermere Rotary committee meeting.	_____	_____
3. Select and join a committee.	_____	_____
4. Attend a Windermere Rotary Board meeting.	_____	_____
5. Greet members and guests prior to regular meetings for 3 weeks.	_____	_____
6. Collect Happy Dollars at a regular meeting.	_____	_____
7. Introduce guests at a regular meeting.	_____	_____
8. Give Classification speech.	_____	_____
9. Attend a meeting at another Rotary Club.	_____	_____
10. Attend a Rotary function other than a regular meeting.	_____	_____
11. Contact the Club Secretary and schedule trainings in the the purpose and use of windermerrerotary.org, DACdb.com, rotarydistrict6980.org, and rotary.com.	_____	_____
12. Pay initiation fee.	_____	_____
13. Pay first quarterly dues.	_____	_____
14. Optional - Sign up to donate \$25 quarterly to Rotary Foundation.	_____	_____

Completed:

Member \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Club Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Date completed \_\_\_\_\_