

Membership Application Form



About you

Name	
Job Title	
Address	
Email	
Tel	
Website	

About your organisation

Please state the vision and mission of your organisation

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Please state in which countries the organisation works

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Please state your agency's annual income

Number of staff:

Head Office

Worldwide

Number of volunteers:

Head Office

Worldwide

Please state why your organisation wishes to become a member of Keeping Children Safe

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Please state what you would bring to the network with your membership

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Please state type of membership you are applying for (see Annex II for details).

Please provide the name, address and email details of two referees we can contact to support your application (ideally a partner or organisation you currently work with).

I hereby endorse the statement of commitment and confirm that my agency will work in accordance with the general principles to ensure the protection of children in line with the Keeping Children Safe standards.

I have read and understood the membership terms and conditions.

Signed:

Date:



ANNEX I

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT AND GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Organisations committed to child protection must aim to achieve the highest level of protection for children with whom they come into contact and to work towards achieving the standards outlined below.

We affirm our belief in the right of all children to be protected from all forms of abuse, neglect, exploitation and violence, as set out in the *UN Convention on the Rights of the Child* 1989.

We recognise that all organisations coming into contact with children have a fundamental duty of care towards them, and we acknowledge our responsibilities to keep children safe in both relief and development interventions.

Though the achievement of the Keeping Children Safe standards may often be influenced by factors beyond our control, we commit ourselves to consistently work towards achieving them and we expect to be held to account accordingly.

We invite other organisations and agencies to adopt these standards and join us in working towards their achievement.

Keeping Children Safe standards

Standard 1 A written policy on keeping children safe

Standard 2 Putting the policy into practice

Standard 3 Preventing harm to children

Standard 4 Written guidelines on behaviour towards children

Standard 5 Meeting the standards in different locations

Standard 6 Equal rights of all children to protection

Standard 7 Communicating the 'keep children safe' message

Standard 8 Education and training for keeping children safe

Standard 9 Access to advice and support

Standard 10 Implementation and monitoring of the standards

Standard 11 Working with partners to meet the standards



Keeping Children Safe standards are based on the following **set of principles**:

1. All children have equal rights to protection from abuse and exploitation.
2. All children should be encouraged to fulfil their potential and inequalities should be challenged.
3. Everybody has a responsibility to support the care and protection of children.
4. NGOs have a duty of care to children with whom they work and with whom their representatives work.
5. If agencies work through partners they have a responsibility to meet minimum standards of protection for the children in their partners' programmes.



Annex II

MEMBERSHIP TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Rights and responsibilities of Members

All members must:

- Demonstrate a commitment to good practice in child protection. They will be requested periodically to reaffirm their commitment to the Keeping Children Safe Statement of Commitment and General Principles.
- Sign and abide by the terms of the membership terms and conditions.

Members are expected to:

Contribute to Keeping Children Safe's activities and development through, for example:

- participation in events such as trainings
- contributions of their own good practice to the materials
- adding their own resources to the common area on the website
- agreeing to publicise through own networks the work of the coalition
- sharing their usage of the Keeping Children Safe materials and their impact on other organizations and beneficiaries with the coalition in order to monitor and evaluate their usefulness and usage.

Keeping Children Safe has four membership categories:

- 1. Full member compliant** – membership open to existing committed members who have participated in an audit process which has confirmed the organisation has effective safeguarding measures in place.
- 2. Full member committed** – organisations which can demonstrate effective safeguarding measures and are seeking to influence others to do the same.
- 3. Associate Member** - organisations working actively to increase their own safeguarding measures. Associate members should work towards Full member committed within 3 years.
- 4. Technical Member** – Organisations providing technical support and advice on child protection issues and safeguarding measures

Please consider which type of membership your organisation should apply for based on the definitions above. The table below shows the benefits of each type of membership.



Benefits of membership

All members receive:

Experienced support on policy and practice related to child protection

Access to our member only sections of the website including library materials, publications and tools related to child safeguarding and child protection resources

Full member	Associate member	Technical member
<p>A welcome pack including a free toolkit worth £75</p> <p>Able to participate in the General Assembly, to nominate and vote for Trustees</p> <p>Priority for participating in any grant- funded project implemented by Keeping Children Safe</p> <p>Able to nominate staff to the members working groups</p> <p>Eligible to lead on safeguarding projects</p> <p>Your staff with the requisite skills and experience will be offered the opportunity to deliver consultancy initiatives</p> <p>Member E-newsletter 6 times a year with up to date information on child safeguarding and learning's from all members</p> <p>30% discounts on toolkits and 10% consultancy services for you and your partners</p> <p>Recognition that your organisation is setting or working towards good practice on child safeguarding measures</p>	<p>A welcome pack including a free toolkit worth £75</p> <p>Structured two hour mentoring/coaching support from Consultancy Service on developing and implementing child safeguarding measures</p> <p>Member E-newsletter 6 times a year with up to date information on child safeguarding and learning's from all members</p> <p>Recognition that your organisation is setting or working towards good practice on child safeguarding measures</p> <p>30% discounts on toolkits and 10% consultancy services for you and your partners</p>	<p>Priority given in receiving contracts from the consultancy service</p> <p>Able to work on joint consultancy initiatives</p> <p>10% discounts on training courses</p> <p>Opportunities for networking</p>



Supporting information for your application

Application for Full member committed

Please submit the following supporting information:

Your organisation's child protection policy which will reflect Keeping Children Safe's standards

Copies of your organisation's Code of Conduct

Evidence of designated Child Protection Officers within your organisation

State that you agree to report annually (April) on the implementation of Keeping Children Safe standards and the implementation of the commitment and general principles

Applications for Associate members

Associate member will be asked to provide their work plans for implementing child protection and safe guarding measures following the mentoring provided by Keeping Children Safe.

Applications for Technical members

Please submit the following supporting information:

Your organisations child protection policy

Stated commitment to work with Keeping Children Safe on child protection initiatives and a willingness to enter into strategic partnerships.



Decisions on membership

Once your application and supporting information has been received your membership will be confirmed by the Director of Keeping Children Safe. You will receive a welcome pack and then be invoiced for your membership fees. Membership fees are based on an organisation's annual income as set out in the table below. Fees are calculated on a pro rata basis and will be required on April of each year

	Income level				
Category	Greater than £25 million	£5m - £25m	£1m - £5m	£500k - £1m	Under £500k
Full	£2000	£1000	£500	£200	£150
Associate	£750	£500	£250	£100	£50
Technical	£1500	£750	£350	£150	£100

Termination of membership

A Member will cease to be a Member if (a) the Member resigns or (b) the Board of Trustees terminates Membership if it believes, in its absolute discretion, that the Member has breached this Agreement or has brought the network or any of its Members into disrepute.

Please return your membership form to:

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