

Policy of  
Greenville Woodworkers Guild, Inc.

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<b>Title:</b>	Membership Privileges and Membership Fees	Policy No.:	2
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		Date Effective:	Sep 1, 2013

**Statement of Policy:**

Membership privileges and fees shall be as set forth herein.

**Reason for Policy:**

The Bylaws of Greenville Woodworkers Guild, Inc. (the "Guild") require that members pay annual membership dues to the Guild and also require that the amount of such dues be set by the Board of Directors and approved by a vote of the membership.

**Policy Requirements:**

Members of the Guild are classified as:

**MEMBERS** are individuals interested in promoting the purposes of the Guild. Members are entitled to vote, a membership badge, listing in the Guild Register of Members, monthly newsletters, participation in all Guild programs and activities and all privileges described in the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws and the Policies of the Guild. Membership requires that the Member pay the annual membership dues.

**LIFE MEMBERS** are Guild members who are recognized as having provided extraordinary service and contributions to the Guild over a period of several years. Life Members have all rights and privileges of membership and are exempt from paying dues.

**HONORARY MEMBERS** are recognized by the Board of Directors as non-member individuals who have provided service or support to the Guild. Public officials, noted professional woodworkers, authors, financial contributors and/or others may be designated as honorary members. Honorary Members have all the rights and privileges of membership except the voting privilege and election to office. They are exempt from payment of the annual membership dues.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS** are organizations, companies and businesses that extend special privileges or assistance to the Guild or its members. Associate Members are identified as such on the first page of the monthly newsletter. Associate Members are not entitled to any of the privileges of Members and are exempt from payment of annual membership dues.

Effective September 1, 2013, the annual membership dues are \$120.00. Immediate family members living in the same household can (as members) use the shop facilities by paying an annual \$10 administrative fee and following all shop rules. They will inherit the anniversary date of the primary member.

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Payment of annual membership dues of \$120 and an initiation fee of \$150 by a new member shall establish the member's renewal date as being the last day of the month in which the Guild receives membership fee payment. The payment shall convey "membership in good standing" for a period of one year, ending on the last day of the same month the member joined.

"Membership in good standing" is renewed each year by payment of membership dues in full on or before the member's renewal date.

A member shall be considered inactive if payment of dues is not received on or before the member's renewal date.

An inactive member will be removed from the Membership Database after three years of inactive status.

A member renewing within six months of the renewal date while in inactive status shall be assigned the same anniversary date as though he/she had renewed on time. A member renewing more than six months after the renewal date will be assessed a \$150 initiation fee as if they were a new member.

The use of the Shop and Education Center facilities requires a membership in good standing. An inactive member will not be permitted to use the Shop until their membership fee is paid. The membership fee may be paid to a shop supervisor and the member shall be deemed as renewed immediately. A new membership badge will be sent to the renewed member as soon as possible.