Membership Policy - Organizational/Group Membership Categories

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Policy Category	Business
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Legal Review Required	No

A. General Policy Statement

It is WEF's policy to accept organizations or groups interested in the advancement of knowledge relating to the mission and critical objectives of WEF as members in the appropriate WEF membership category, subject to terms and conditions specified in this policy.

B. Organizational/Group Membership Categories

	Category	Definitions/Criteria/Qualifications
1.	Corporate	Companies that support the water environment profession and/or organizations that support the preservation and enhancement of the global water environment.
2.	Exhibitors	Firms and organizations that are suppliers and/or service providers to the water environment field.
3.	Utility Partnership Program (UPP)	The WEF Utility Partnership Program (UPP) consolidates all individual WEF members within a utility into one account, streamlining the renewal process.

C. Geographic and Economic Considerations Policy

1. Low-Income Country Dues Discount

There is no "Low-Income Country Dues Discount" for Organizational/Group members.

2. Geographic Considerations/Limitations

The Utility Partner Program is only offered in the United States, U.S. Territories and Canada.

D. Member Association Membership Requirements

Noted under each category.

E. Rights, Privileges and WEF Dues

Organizational/group members have the right to join one, or multiple, Member Associations (MA). The authorized representative of the organization/group has the right to vote for, or voice their opinion on, the election or appointment of a House of Delegates (HOD) Representative for their chosen MA(s), subject to MA Bylaws and HOD Policies and Procedures. HOD representatives provide input to the WEF Board as well as review and vote on many critical decisions for WEF, including WEF Bylaw changes.

Each organization/group members will pay dues to WEF as determined by the Board. Any member of WEF who is delinquent in dues for a period of 30 days from the time WEF dues become due will be notified of the delinquency. If payment is not made within the next 60 days, the delinquent organization/group member will be dropped from the rolls of active members and forfeit all rights and privileges of membership for the organization/group and for each person that is part of the organization/group.

F. Definitions/Criteria/Qualifications/Benefits

All Company members receive the rights and privileges of Organizational/Group Memberships as detailed in this policy and the Company Representative receives member discounts on publications, subscriptions, educational offerings, WEFTEC and Specialty Conferences registrations and on webinars/webcasts unless specifically noted below in each member category.

1. Corporate

a. General Policy Statement/Qualifications

Corporate membership is available to companies that support the water environment profession and organizations that supports the preservation and enhancement of the global water environment.

One corporate contact, from the Corporate member organization, is entitled to all Corporate member benefits.

b. Member Association Memberships

Corporate members in the U.S., U.S. Territories and Canada must also join a Member Association and pay MA dues if there is a member association in their geographical area with Corporate membership; Corporate members outside the U.S., U.S. Territories and Canada are not required to join Member Associations.

c. Additional Privileges/Benefits

Corporate members receive a package of WEF publications, for example Water Environment & Technology, World Water and Water Environment Research online based on prevailing business practices and as approved by the Executive Director

2. Exhibitor

a. General Policy Statement/Qualifications

Exhibitor members typically are companies that exhibit at WEF conferences and WEFTEC.

Exhibitor Membership includes one company contact who receives included publications and benefits.

Exhibitor Members' annual dues are based upon total gross annual revenue in the water field.

b. Member Association Memberships

Exhibitor members have the option to join a Member Association and pay MA dues if there is a member association in their geographical area with Exhibitor membership.

c. Additional Privileges/Benefits

Exhibitor member benefits include complimentary subscriptions to a package of publications, discounts on exhibit and sponsorships fees, and receive WEFTEC priority points. The exact suite of benefits is based on prevailing business practices as approved by the Executive Director

3. Utility Partner Program (UPP)

a. General Policy Statement/Qualifications

The WEF Utility Partnership Program (UPP) consolidates all individual WEF members within a utility into one account, streamlining the renewal process. It is offered in geographic areas where the MA permits the program.

b. Member Association Memberships

Individual WEF UPP members located in the U.S., U.S. Territories and Canada must also join a MA and pay MA dues if there is an MA in their geographical area.

c. Additional Privileges/Benefits

- Discounted WEFTEC registration utility employees
- Synchronized membership renewal dates for individual WEF members on one invoice
- Two complimentary memberships for elected/appointed officials designated by the Utility
- Up to five new complimentary WEF memberships each year
- Up to 40% off list price for most WEF products including Knowledge Center courses