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| **THE RUCKSACK CLUB**  **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP** | | | |
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|  | Thank you for applying for membership of The Rucksack Club. We hope to make this process as efficient as possible and your future membership an enjoyable and fruitful experience for both you and the Club. For the benefit of both parties the Club’s Committee takes some care in considering the election of new Members so we ask you to answer the questions below. These are necessary because The Rucksack Club does not offer ‘training’ or ‘to teach’ basic mountaineering skills. **We expect you already to have reached a level of self-sufficiency that enables you to look after yourself on the hills. To establish that as clearly as possible a full account of your mountaineering, climbing and hill walking experiences is helpful.**  It is an essential step that you secure the support of a proposer and seconder for your application both of whom are existing full members of the Rucksack Club, and who can support your application through first-hand experience. If you are interested in joining but fail for the moment to have that support you should enrol as an Associate Member and engage in activities to establish that mutual acquaintance.  Each heading below enables you to include as much text as you feel appropriate to answer fully the questions. When completed would you please email this form, as an attachment, to your proposer. The proposer will forward it to your seconder, both adding their supporting statements. The seconder will then send via join@rucksackclub.org the completed application to the Membership Secretary who will circulate it to the Committee.  *The boxes will expand as text is inserted* | | |
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| 1 | **Prospective Member’s Details** | | |
|  | Title: | |  |
|  | Forename(s) | |  |
|  | Preferred name | |  |
|  | Surname | |  |
|  | Address | |  |
|  | Post Code | |  |
|  | Home phone number |  |  |
|  | Mobile phone number |  |  |
|  | Email | |  |
|  | Date of birth | |  |
|  | BMC Membership number (if applicable) | |  |
|  | Are you currently an Associate Member? | | Y/N (delete as applicable) |
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| 2 | Reasons for applying to join The Rucksack Club | | |
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| 3 | Experience in support of your application to join The Rucksack Club (candidates are expected to demonstrate an active and sustained interest in one of the core pursuits of the Club: Mountaineering, Climbing and Hill Walking) | | |
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| 4 | Please list Rucksack Club events – places and dates helpful if you can recall them – you have attended’ | | |
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| 5 | The Rucksack Club is affiliated to the British Mountaineering Council (BMC) which adheres to the following “Participation Statement”:  “The BMC recognises that climbing and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury or death. Participants in these activities should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions and involvement”.  **In submitting this application you acknowledge this statement.** | | |
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| 6 | Personal information: The Rucksack Club will hold personal information about you in line with its privacy statement which can be found on our website.  Should your application be successful you need to give your permission for the processing of some personal information for specific purposes. Please indicate your permission by deleting “Yes/No” as applicable below:   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Name, address, telephone numbers, email address, date elected, type of membership (Member, Honorary Member etc.) for publication in the Handbook and Meetstaff. | | Y/N | | Photos and name published in: | Meetstaff | Y/N | | Handbook | Y/N | | Journal | Y/N | | Website | Y/N |   The primary method for the Club to communicate personal information to Members is by email. More generally the Club is kept updated via its website: www.rucksackclub.org | | |
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| 7 | I wish to apply for membership of The Rucksack Club.  **In submitting this application I confirm that I have read the Rules, Byelaws and Policies of the Club and I agree to and accept these as terms and conditions for membership and note that the first £1 of my first subscription will be used to buy one share of £1 in The Rucksack Club Limited [a Registered Society].**  (The Rules, Byelaws and Policies by which we operate can be found in the “About” section of the Club website at : <https://rucksackclub.org/rules-of-the-rucksack-club-ltd/>.They spell out how the Club is managed, what part you might play in that, the safeguards in place to ensure probity, and what an individual Member’s responsibility is in terms of regard for their own and others’ safety.)  Name:  Date: | | |
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| 8 | My proposer is: | | |
| 9 | My seconder is: | | |
|  | *Please now email this application form to your proposer* | | |
|  | **Proposer’s supporting statement:** [Please state the extent of your acquaintance with the candidate and give some first-hand information regarding his or her experience, self-reliance and suitability for membership.]  *Now please email this form to the seconder*: | | |
|  | **Seconder’s supporting statement:** [Please state the extent of your acquaintance with the candidate and give some first-hand information regarding his or her experience, self-reliance and suitability for membership.]  *Will you now please email this completed application to: join@rucksackclub.org* | | |
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