

Membership Application Form

**The association for conservation, access and recreation professionals in
the natural greenspace and countryside sector**

AIMS

The CMA works regionally, nationally and internationally to:

- **Support** the development of a diverse range of staff, students and volunteers involved in the management, interpretation, and public enjoyment of natural greenspace and the countryside through networking, training and continuing professional development.
- **Promote** the value and importance of professionally managed natural greenspace and the countryside to the general public, the government and other organisations.
- **Influence** the decision making process of organisations involved in the management of natural greenspace and countryside by providing information and authoritative comment
- **Champion** the value of staff, students and volunteers involved in the management, interpretation, and access to natural greenspace and the countryside.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Affiliate Member

Target audience:

Aspiring countryside managers, students, volunteers and retired members who are no longer active in the sector

Criteria: Full time education (Student); Volunteer; Retired members (any age and includes mature students).

To Apply: Complete standard application form, assessed by CMA Admin acting for Council. May be referred to Council for decision if issues are apparent with any application

Evidence Requirement:

- Council reserves the right to request evidence of status

Member

Target audience:

Countryside and greenspace practitioners whose job description demonstrates they are actively working in the industry.

Criteria: People active in countryside and greenspace management as demonstrated by job description. Also open to retired members able to demonstrate active involvement in sector.

To Apply: Complete standard application form to CMA Admin, checked and accepted on behalf of Council. May be referred to Council for decision.

Evidence Requirement:

- Job description.

Accredited Member

Target audience:

Countryside and urban greenspace practitioners/managers/policymakers who have reached a benchmark in terms quality, for broad or specialist delivery, management or policy.

Criteria: Countryside and greenspace managers (active or retired) who can demonstrate achievement of a benchmark standard equivalent to NVQ Level 3.

To Apply: Application by standard form and evidence (inc. completed Members Handbook elements as required) to CMA Admin. Review Panel recommend membership/deferral or rejection.

Evidence Requirement:

- Industry relevant job description (including those working in land management in practical or management or policy development role related to the profession). At least 3 years experience in role where job description considered relevant. Part time roles count pro rata of time.
- NVQ level 3 certificate or members handbook competencies signed off by line manager.
- Evidence of HND or equivalent acceptable to Review Panel.

Fellow of the Association

Target audience:

People who have made valuable and long term contributions to the industry. Includes leaders in the industry who have reached a high benchmark in terms of quality.

Criteria: Members who have made a sustained and significant contribution to the industry for a prolonged period as field practitioners and/or are contributing to industry by operating successfully at a management/strategic policy level.

To Apply: CV, Statement of achievements in industry during career, supporting evidence and references.

Evidence Requirement:

- Experience: Active in sector for 15 years, or 10 years with 5 of those years as CMA Accredited member. Part time roles count pro rata of time.
- Competence: Evidence of significant achievement and commitment to the development of the sector and CMA. Two peer references at least 1 being a recent line manager.
- Qualification: Evidence of management, policy, development or training in these fields (as deemed appropriate by the Association).
- Acceptable in lieu of qualification: Post holders signed off work & development plans for 2 year period, (demonstrating appropriate level CPD in sector related delivery/management/policy subjects) **if also offered with either** evidence of appointment by assessment against core competencies **or** evidence of high quality delivery as a field practitioner throughout long service and three peer references (at least 1 being a recent line manager).

Corporate Member

Open to organisations that employ or train countryside staff

Business Supporter

Open to businesses who wish to support CMA

Please include with your application...

Affiliate Member

- Annual Subscription of £10

Member

- Job Description
- Annual Subscription of £30 (if your employer is not a Corporate Member)
- Annual Subscription of £24 (if your employer is a Corporate Member*)

Accredited Member

- Current CV
- Job Description
- Annual Subscription of £50 (if your employer is not a Corporate Member)
- Annual Subscription of £40 (if your employer is a Corporate Member*)

NB If you are already a Member and wish to become an Accredited Member, please contact CMA Administration. **Do not** complete this form.

Fellow of the Association

- Current CV
- Statement of achievements in industry during career
- Supporting evidence
- References.
- Annual Subscription of £100

Corporate Member

- Annual Subscription of £100 (if you estimate that you have 0-10 employees or students who could potentially join in their own right)
- Annual Subscription of £250 (if you estimate that you have 11-50 employees or students who could potentially join in their own right)
- Annual Subscription of £500 (if you estimate that you have 50+ employees or students who could potentially join in their own right)

*(if applicable to Member and Accredited Member)

please state name of Corporate Member _____

Business Supporter

- Annual Subscription of £500
- Summary of your business operations, e.g. annual report

Payment can be made by:

- Standing Order
- Cheque (made payable to 'Countryside Management Association')
- Company Order

Please return this form together with payment to:

CMA Administration, Writtle College, Lordship Road, Writtle, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 3RR
For further information e-mail cma@writtle.ac.uk or phone 01245 424116

Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS and BLACK INK

ALL INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES

Title _____ Surname _____

Forenames _____

Home Address (or address for correspondence)

Address _____

_____ Town _____

County _____ Postcode _____

Telephone (h) _____ (w) _____ (m) _____

E-mail _____

Membership category applied for (please tick one box only)

Affiliate Member Member Accredited Member Fellow of the Association

CORPORATE AND BUSINESS CATEGORIES

Contact name _____

Name of Organisation _____

Address _____ Town _____

County _____ Postcode _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____

Membership category applied for (please tick one box only)

Corporate Member Business Supporter

Number of employees or students that you estimate may wish to apply to become Affiliates, Members, Accredited Members or Fellows in their own right*

*Corporate Member applications only

NB Please count volunteers as employees.

Please note that the membership year is from 1st April – 31st March. Those joining after 1st January in any year will not need to renew until 1st April in the following year.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Benefits of becoming an Affiliate Member:

- Regional contacts – through regional committees, training, study days, events and activities
- Ranger Magazine – published quarterly including articles, reviews and features
- Members' News – published quarterly including news of current CMA events and issues
- National Network – through e-group
- Members rate at training/study days and conference

Benefits of becoming a Member:

- Training and study days – a programme of regional and national opportunities at little or no cost
- Ranger Magazine – published quarterly including articles, reviews and features
- Members' News – published quarterly including news of current CMA events and issues
- Regional News – local news, views, events and articles
- Annual Conference – preferential rates for this topical event
- Regional contacts – through regional committees, training, study days, events and activities
- National Network – through CMA events and publications, e-group and liaison with external partners
- International links – exchanges, seminars and conferences through affiliation to the International Ranger Federation.

Benefits of becoming an Accredited Member:

- Professional Development – though an ongoing and systematic Continuing Professional Development structure
- Training and study days – a programme of regional and national opportunities at little or no cost
- Ranger Magazine – published quarterly including articles, reviews and features
- Members' News – published quarterly including news of current CMA events and issues
- Regional News – local news, views, events and articles
- Annual Conference – preferential rates for this topical event
- National Network – through CMA events and publications, e-group and liaison with external partners
- Regional contacts – through regional committees, training, study days, events and activities
- Members rate at training/study and conference
- International links – exchanges, seminars, conferences through affiliation to the International Ranger Federation.
- Use of title 'Member Accredited of Countryside Management Association' (MACMA).
- Mentor support for Membership retention.

Benefits of becoming a Fellow of the Association:

- Regional contacts – through regional committees, training, study days, events and activities
- Ranger Magazine – published quarterly including articles, reviews and features
- Members' News – published quarterly including news of current CMA events and issues
- National Network – through e-group
- Annual Conference – Member's rate
- International links – exchanges, seminars, conferences through affiliation to International Ranger Federation.
- Use of title 'Fellow Accredited of Countryside Management Association' (FCMA).

Benefits of becoming a Corporate Member:

- 20% discount on individual membership for employees or students provided they meet the appropriate criteria*
- 10% discount on adverts and inserts in Ranger and Members' News
- Copies of Ranger Magazine, Members' News and Regional News
- Places on training and study days at preferential rates (places dependent on subscription rate)
- Places at Annual Conference at preferential rates (places dependent on subscription rate)
- Annual Corporate Members' Forum
- Acknowledgement in CMA Annual Report
- 10 % discount on CMA publications

Benefits of becoming a Business Supporter include:

- 10% discount on adverts in Ranger and Members' News
- 10% discount on CMA publications
- Copies of Ranger Magazine, Members' News and Regional News
- Acknowledgement in CMA Annual Report
- Access to CMA events to display information or products

*Corporate Membership subscription rates depend on how many of your employees or students you estimate may wish to take up the option of becoming members in their own right, receiving 20% discount.