



# The Essex Association of Change Ringers

Founded 1879

Charity Registration Number 292250

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM (See Note 1 overleaf)

PLEASE COMPLETE USING BLOCK CAPITALS

Full Name	First names(s)	Surname
Title	e.g. Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr, Revd, Other	

- Please tick to confirm that you have read the Rules of the Association and that you are eligible for membership
- Please tick to confirm that you are consenting to the Association holding and processing your personal data and wish to be kept in touch with the Association and its activities. See Note 3 overleaf.
- Tick here if you have already applied via the on-line membership system, 'Membermojo'.

Signed (if 18 or over)		If under 18 years of age please obtain the approval of your parent or legal guardian
Parent/guardian (name)		Signed
Membership category (See Note 2 overleaf)	Ringing / Associate / NRLM * * Delete whichever not applicable	For Ratification of Belfry Election (ratification only applies to Ringing or Non-Resident elected prior to a peal attempt) tick here <input type="checkbox"/> and add date of Belfry Election: _____
Date of birth		Date of Birth information will help give us an age profile of Association Members, enabling us to review from time to time the benefits provided by our Personal Accident Insurance
Home address		Telephone
		Email
Post code		Please print email addresses clearly. Use a parent/guardians email for Junior Members
Home tower/ unattached		District
Proposed by	Tower	Signed
Seconded by	Tower	Signed

**Notes** PROPOSERS AND SECONDEES MUST BE RINGING MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION  
 IF YOU WISH YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TO BE SUBJECT TO GIFT AID, PLEASE COMPLETE THE DECLARATION

**Gift Aid Declaration** (See Note 4 overleaf, especially 4(c) which applies to those aged under 18)

The Essex Association of Change Ringers (EACR) Charity Number 292250

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

In order to Gift Aid your subscription/donation you must tick the box below: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to Gift Aid my subscription/donation and any donations I make in the future or have made in the past four years. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

**For Official Use Only** (See Note 5 overleaf)

Membermojo Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt No: \_\_\_\_\_ Tick if: Under 18

Elected/Ratified at: \_\_\_\_\_ on (date) \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Has sub been paid (please tick)? \_\_\_\_\_ Amount paid \_\_\_\_\_

Mojo  BACS  District  £ \_\_\_\_\_

**N.B. District Treasurer's to send original form to Association Treasurer as soon as possible please**

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION NOTES (also see Rules 8, 9 and 10, published in the Annual Report)

## Note 1: Membership Validity

Election of Members may take place at any business meeting. Prospective members can apply via the online-membership system 'Membermojo' or by clicking this link: [Join Us/Renew](#). You will also need to apply using the prescribed Application Form. Election will be by a majority vote of members present and is only completed on payment of the relevant subscription. **Subscriptions become due on election and on the 1st January each year.** Payment options: Debit/Credit Card through the online-membership system, Bank transfer to EACR, Sort Code 60-05-13, Account No 22177035 or Cash/Cheque (payable to the *Essex Association of Change Ringers*, or *EACR*) at a district meeting or by post. Membership is in arrears if the subscriptions due are not paid by 30th April each year and those not paid by 31st December shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Association. Lapsed members may be readmitted without election in the year following non-payment if payment of arrears and the current year's subscription are received by 30th April. After this date lapsed members shall be re-elected.

## Note 2: Membership Categories

**Ringling Members:** able to ring a tower bell unaided and ring changes to a standard suitable for Sunday Service ringing on tower bells or to ring handbells. Changes shall be deemed to include method ringing, call changes and tenor cover on tower bells. Handbell ringers shall be capable of ringing methods on two bells retained in hand. Covered by the Association insurance. Can vote at meetings. Those aged less than 18 years on 1st January are entitled to a 50% reduction in their subscriptions.

**Associate Members:** who wish to be associated with and support the objects and activities of the Association but who are not eligible for membership under any other category. Covered by the Association insurance. Can vote at meetings.

**Ringling or Associate Members** may become "Life-Paid" members by paying a lump sum equal to not less than 20 times the annual subscription at the current time.

**Non-Resident Life Member (NRLM):** who shall meet the criteria for Ringling Membership and who shall not be normally residents within the Association's boundaries. Usually, a peal ringer from elsewhere. Ringling Members for five consecutive years on moving from within the boundaries of the Association shall qualify as NRLM's without election on payment of current subscriptions. Not covered by the Association insurance. Cannot vote at meetings.

**Life Member and Life Vice President:** special procedures apply and this form is not valid.

## Note 3: General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

Your privacy is important to us. Please note that the details, which you have provided on this form, will be held on computer systems and a manual filing system, will be processed by the Association and will be included in the Association's annual report and will only be used for ringing purposes. No commercial use will be made of the information provided.

Where you are a tower correspondent or an officer of the Association, it may also be published on the web pages or in newsletters and provided to third parties such as the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers (who may publish it on the CCCBR website), The Ringling World Limited (for publication in *The Ringling World*, *The Ringling World* website or *The Ringling World Diary*) and to other ringers upon request. The data may also be sent to ringers or bellringing associations outside the UK upon request. Details of peals rung on behalf of the Association, including names of the ringers, will be sent to *The Ringling World* and may also be published on the Internet e.g. *BellBoard* and *Pealbase*.

The data will be destroyed when you cease to be a member of the Association unless you have signed the Gift Aid declaration when the data will be destroyed seven years after you cease to be a member. Any restrictions to the consent should be notified in writing separately to the Association's Data Controller. Information about how we use your personal data is set out in our privacy notice, published at <https://eacr.org.uk/about/rules/privacy-policy.pdf>.

You have the right to request access to personal information held about you by the Association under Article 15 of the GDPR. Subject access only gives the applicant a right of access to their own information and not that of third-party individuals. If you wish to make a 'subject access request' (SAR), please contact the Association Data Controller. Please note: there is no charge for processing a subject access request application. However, where the request is manifestly unfounded or excessive, we may charge a reasonable fee for the administrative costs of complying with your request. If a fee is applicable, you will be advised accordingly.

## Note 4: Gift Aid

If you pay UK Income Tax (including tax on savings and pensions) or Capital Gains Tax and this is at least equal to the amount the EACR, and any other charity/CASC you donate to will reclaim on your donations (25p for every £1 donated) in the tax year (6th April – 5th April), then you can gift aid your subscriptions/donations. (Council tax and VAT do not count).

- Please notify the charity if you: want to cancel this declaration; change your name or home address; or no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.
- If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.
- Subscriptions can be Gift Aided if payment is made by a parent/guardian on behalf of a child aged under 18.**
- If you are unsure whether your donations qualify for Gift Aid tax relief, ask the charity [treasurer@eacr.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@eacr.org.uk), or you can visit [www.gov.uk/donating-to-charity](http://www.gov.uk/donating-to-charity).

## Note 5: For Official Use Only

District Secretaries/Treasurers please note that the Association Treasurer must be sent the original copy of this form for Membership and Gift Aid purposes. You are advised to keep a copy for your own records. The date and place of election, payment receipt number and any age details **must** be recorded in the spaces provided otherwise the form will be returned for completion as this may be required by HM Revenue & Customs for audit purposes.