



Membership Application 2009-10

Name of Applicant (Group Name in full): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Email: _____

Telephone/s: _____

Insurance Requirements:

Public Liability Insurance (up to \$20 Million) and Members Accident Insurance from July 1 2009 to June 30 2010:

Yes No

(If no, you must provide a copy of the certificate of currency for your group's alternative Public Liability insurance coverage)

Officers Liability Insurance: Yes No

(NB: This is a separate **optional** policy for member group office bearers which has an additional fee. Please contact the Treasurer for current details)

Members list

Please attach a list of all members, identifying which members are *Primary Members* of ALHF (*paying their annual insurance fee via your member group*) and which other members are paying their ALHF insurance via another nominated ALHF group. Individuals only have to pay ALHF fees ONCE for as many member groups as they like.

This list should be in an Excel or similar tabular format with first and last names of members in separate columns. A template is available from the ALHF Secretary. This is the preferred format. If it is not possible to use this format, a word document or mailed, typewritten list of members must be supplied.

Member List attached? Yes No

Information, Safety & Member's Rules

New members must provide a copy of any safety guidelines or procedures that apply to their group's activities. Also, provide any constitution or group rules and any other information that will help the committee assess your application such as images, a website link, a statement of aims and activities, etc., particularly in relation to your member group's commitment to safety and historical accuracy and authenticity in presentation.

The ALHF Safety Guidelines and Principles are available from the ALHF Secretary. The ALHF Authenticity Guidelines are also available from the ALHF Secretary.

Does the applicant agree to uphold the ALHF Safety Principles and are you aware of the ALHF Safety Guidelines?

Yes No

If the group has safety rules, is a copy attached?

Yes No

Have you provided further information to assist your application such as a website link?

Yes No

Activities

You MUST notify ALHF if;

you do any activities on a regular basis that are not covered in the description given (see Activities Covered 2009),

Does your group engage in: combat/skirmish manoeuvres; use of firearms AND/OR use of horses?

Yes No If yes, specify: _____

Does your group own any property or buildings? (there may be additional exclusions or conditions that apply)

Yes No If yes, specify: _____

General Information & Member Responsibilities:

Group membership fees are \$25 per annum.

Insurance coverage for 2009-10 is \$15 per individual *Primary Member* per annum, additional to the above group membership fee.

All members agree to the following responsibilities;

- To pay membership dues on having their membership approved, and each year thereafter
- To have adequate rules and regulations covering health and safety, finance and administration
- To maintain proper membership records, and supply a membership list to the Australasian Living History Federation Incorporated (ALHF) annually or on request
- To be non sectarian and non-political
- To not bring the ALHF into disrepute
- To obey the laws of the land
- To deal with clients and the general public in an ethical and courteous manner
- To portray their chosen period as authentically as is reasonably possible
- To inform the ALHF as soon as practicable of changes in contact details, or any other circumstances that may affect the ALHF.
- To inform the ALHF of any 'prohibited persons' among their membership and to conform to any relevant legislation regarding prohibited persons. *(NB: Prohibited persons are not automatically barred from membership but if admitted must not engage in any legally prohibited activities.)*
To notify the ALHF committee of any activities, events and meetings which may fall outside the terms of the insurance policy, for example, large events, or if your group conducts any activities on a regular basis that are not covered in the description given below or any event that is outside your normal activities. *(Please note that additional premiums may apply in some circumstances and that the ALHF committee is not able to advise on this without contacting the insurer through our broker)*

Activities Insured 2009-2010:**The following activities will be notified to the underwriter as standard:**

All member groups may hold ordinary meetings, publish journals, newsletters, promotional or instructional material, and do other activities such as training and practice (that may or may not be in historical costume) that contribute to their main activities/aims (which will generally be conducted in historical costume), which include:

Activities: Arts and crafts (for example; metal work, leatherwork, pottery, wood-working, black-smithing, weaving, scrimshaw, etc), armouring and blacksmithing, displays and practices of military drills and mock battle re-enactments (ie; combats or 'skirmishes' using historical reproduction arms and armour such as sword fighting, blank-firing firearms and pyrotechnics), static displays of historical items and artefacts, dancing, costuming, food and cookery, brewing, language & literature, games and pastimes, calligraphy and illumination, archery and historical target practices and displays, reconstruction and experimental archaeology (including temporary use of for example farms and agriculture, dwellings, fortifications, military siege equipment, transportation etc.), riding and the use of horses including displays of skill at arms such as jousting (where riders use long lances with balsa wood tips that shatter on impact) and the care of animals, the display and use of historical vehicles both horse driven and motorised such as wagons, carts, cars, trucks, military jeeps, tanks, armoured vehicles, etc., all complying with any relevant legislations such as registration; ;
as part of.

- **Events:** historical or 'period' dinners or feasts, meetings, working bees, training sessions/drills and practices, public demonstrations at commemorative events and festivals, educational presentations for schools/groups/historic sites/museums, lectures and talks, outdoor encampments, events run by other groups (for example the biennial national Historical Conventions and the Armidale Dark Ages Gathering), documentary and historical filming activities, and other similar occasions;
which take place at a variety of locations including;
- **Locations:** private property, public land (such as reserves, parks, state forests, national parks), schools, museums and historic sites, hired venues (such as community halls), sailing craft (for example; tall ships, with possible boat transport to and from) and other locations.

Member groups also hold occasional social events for members that may not be historical in nature, or may be outside the scope of the group's historical period. Example: a 17th century group may hold a croquet game and dinner in 19th century style.

All the above activities are conducted within members and ALHF general safety principles, rules and guidelines. Members also conduct 'controlled activities' that have specific rules and procedures:

Controlled activities:

These are some of the activities outlined above that involve simulated or mock combat where all member groups have developed specific safety rules and procedures. Because each period is slightly different, the rules of each group may vary.

A) Historical Reenactment of Combat with blunted weapons such as swords, spears and similar historical weapons (no firearms)

All member groups are required to have and uphold safety and training rules. Where member groups do not have their own or sufficient safety rules, the ALHF has developed safety principles and guidelines to assist and guide member groups in historical weapons combat and general safety.

All historical weapons are blunted and all blows to participants are 'pulled' and not struck with force. Minimum standards of protection apply and target area rules prohibit hits or blows to vulnerable body areas.

B) Historical Reenactment of Combat via firearms and other explosive weapons or devices, including the display of firing and 'skirmishing' or historical combat, via the firing of 'blanks' or discharges that do not include projectiles of any kind.

All groups using firearms and other explosive devices or pyrotechnics for historical military drill displays as well as historical re-enactments of combats and skirmishing, undertake these activities (which may also include blunted weapons combat as above) within strict safety parameters that have been developed by ALHF member groups and/or the ALHF Safety Committee.

These rules and activities are drawn up and conducted according to relevant legislation, including individual licenses and reenactment permits, set by different States and Territories about the use of firearms in historical re-enactments.

Member groups run safety and training courses in the use and historical drill and safety of firearms and no one is allowed to enter an activity without passing relevant member group training and safety courses.

Firearms and other explosive devices include historical muskets or 'black powder' muzzle loading firearms, as well as cannons and mortars, and other historical military firearms.

No projectiles of any kind are fired and no weapons or devices are discharged directly at any person at any time.

C) Target and other Shooting of Projectiles

Some historical re-enactments involve displays or competitions conducted in historical fashion where the firing of live ammunition or other projectiles (such as archery) at targets is conducted. This occurs under strict safety conditions and under all relevant legislation at nominated rifle ranges, dedicated safety zones, or similar.

Some live firing is in the form of hunting of vermin/feral animals, usually on private properties, as part of a member group's historical reenactment activities, with historical weapons. These activities are conducted under strict safety conditions and the normal compliance with any relevant government legislation and regulations regarding firearms and hunting.

Declaration

I hereby apply on behalf of _____, a not-for-profit organisation or individual, for acceptance of membership to the Australasian Living History Federation Incorporated. I certify that I have been authorised by the said organisation to lodge this application and that .in the event of renewal of membership _____(Group name) agrees to pay the required fees and be bound by the Rules and the Code of Conduct of the association for the time being in force and that the group are aware of and agree to their responsibilities listed above as part of ALHF membership

Signature of applicant: _____ Date _____ Position held (if any) _____

(NB: Type your name and details as acceptance. If printed document, please write your name as well)

FEES: Group Memberships: (Individuals contact the treasurer for rates).

Annual Membership Groups Fee (2009-10)	\$25.00
Total number of Members, minus members paying through another ALHF group = Primary Members	
Primary members x ALHF insurance/admin levy for current year (\$15)	\$
Total Annual membership + Primary members fee =	\$

Fees are payable by cheque/money order sent to the Secretary or Treasurer

OR

by direct deposit into the Federation's bank account.

Direct deposit instructions:

Commonwealth Bank, Stockland Mall Branch, Baulkham Hills NSW
BSB: 062336
Account No.: 10121544
Account Name: Australian Living History Federation Inc

PLEASE ENSURE that any e-transactions are identifiable by group name and an email sent to the Treasurer (see below).

Should an extension of time for payment be required, contact:

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