



NARA Membership

NARA has 6 different types of membership:

- **Active** – Includes renderers and UCO processors
- **Associate** – Those that provide services to members, not including brokers/traders/pet food
- **Allied** – Buyers/traders/brokers of finished product. Traders and pet food manufacturers
- **Biofuel** – Biofuel producers, biodiesel, renewable diesel, co-processing
- **International Associate** – Overseas member that fits associate category
- **International Allied** – Overseas member that fits allied category

Active Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership or corporation having a place of business in the United States, the Dominion of Canada, Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands, engaged in processing used cooking oil, including heating used cooking oil, to at least 180 degrees Fahrenheit, and/or fat bearing animal or poultry waste material into biofuel, oil, tallow, lard or grease and/or tankage (or inedible meat and poultry products) shall be eligible for Active Membership in the Association. Owners of eligible firms or stockholders of eligible corporations, as individuals, shall be ineligible.

Associate Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association, otherwise ineligible for Active Membership, but having a common interest with the members and providing goods and/or services to Active members, which does not process oil and/or fat bearing animal or poultry waste material into oil, tallow, lard or grease and/or tankage, may become an Associate Member of the organization by affiliating with one or more of the regional area organizations. It shall be the responsibility of the Regional Area Secretary to notify the Association office of any changes in Association membership. Associate Members will have no voting rights.

Allied Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership or corporation who is a buyer or broker of finished rendered products and does not process oil and/or fat bearing animals or poultry waste material into oil, tallow, lard and/or tankage, and is not a manufacturer of biodiesel, may seek Allied Membership through the national office or the regional areas. If application is made to the national office, upon approval by the majority of the Board of Directors and payment of any dues or special assessments in effect at the time, they will become Allied Members of the regional and national associations.

Biofuel Manufacturer Allied Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association, otherwise ineligible for active membership, but who is a biofuel manufacturer who manufactures or produces biofuel using animal or vegetable oil as a feed stock, may become a Biofuel Manufacturer Allied Member of the organization by affiliating with one or more of the regional area organizations. It shall be the responsibility of the Regional Area Secretary to notify the Association office of any changes in associate membership. Biofuel Manufacturer Allied members will have no voting rights.

International Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association, which has no place of business within the United States or Canada but is engaged in processing oil and/or fat-bearing animal or poultry waste material into oil, tallow, lard or grease and/or tankage (or inedible meat and poultry products) or is a vendor of products and services to the rendering industry, shall be eligible for international membership in the Association. Application for International Membership must be filed with the Secretary of the Association. Upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and payment of any dues or special assessments in effect at the time, the applicant will be admitted as an International Member.

International Associate Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or unincorporated association, which has no place of business within the United States or Canada, but having a common interest with the members and provides goods and/or services to Active Members, which does not process oil and/or fat bearing animal or poultry waste material into oil, tallow, lard or grease and/or tankage, may become an International Associate Member of the organization and shall be eligible for International Associate Membership in the Association. Application for International Associate Membership must be filed with the Secretary of the Association.

Upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and payment of any dues or special assessments in effect at the time, the applicant will be admitted as an International Associate Member.

International Allied Membership:

Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association, which has no place of business within the United States or Canada and who is a buyer or broker of finished rendered products and does not process oil and/or fat bearing animals or poultry

waste material into oil, tallow, lard and/or tankage, and is not a manufacturer of biodiesel, may seek International Allied Membership through the national office. Application for International Allied Membership must be filed with the Secretary of the Association. Upon approval by a majority vote of the Board or Directors and payment of any dues or special assessments in effect at that time, the applicant will be admitted as an International Allied Member.

Honorary Membership:

Any individual who shall have rendered distinguished service to the Association or the industry may, by unanimous vote of the members at any regular meeting of the Association, be elected to Honorary Membership. A candidate for Honorary Membership must be nominated by an Active Member of the Association in good standing who shall at the time of

nomination furnish a record of the distinguished service rendered by the one whom it is proposed to thus honor and all members of the Association shall be informed of the details of this service prior to a vote being taken. Honorary Members shall be exempt only from the payment of dues or any other fees or assessments attendant to membership and shall be entitled to all privileges of Active Member except the right to vote.