

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



## CONTACT INFORMATION:

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

States in which you operate: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY Membership Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Membership Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDITIONAL MEMBERS: (\$50 additional per person)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

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## REFERRALS:

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_ Referred By? \_\_\_\_\_

## SELECT YOUR LEVEL BELOW: (Dues are dependent on your watermelon sales)

**See Back For Descriptions For Each Membership Level**

### SMALL & MEDIUM GROWER ☐ \$100 Annual Dues

Your job is being a farmer! Your Watermelons are sold by another business.

### LARGE GROWER ☐ \$2500 Annual Dues ☐ \$1500 Annual Dues ☐ \$500 Annual Dues

Growers that farm and sell the watermelon crop.

### SHIPPER ☐ \$2500 Annual Dues ☐ \$1500 Annual Dues ☐ \$500 Annual Dues

Businesses that sell watermelon for farmers.

### SUPPLIER ☐ \$3000 Annual Dues ☐ \$2000 Annual Dues ☐ \$1000 Annual Dues ☐ \$500 Annual Dues

Businesses that offer goods and services that benefit the industry.

### ALLIED INDIVIDUAL ☐ \$100 Annual Dues

Associations/commissions/boards, researchers, retail operators, grocery wholesalers, government officials and past queens & coordinators.

Please email company logos to [membership@nwawatermelon.com](mailto:membership@nwawatermelon.com)

## PAYMENT INFORMATION:

**COMPANY DUES: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**( ) ADD. MEMBERS  
AT \$50 EACH: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE:** With new lobbying activities, in compliance with federal tax regulations, we are required to inform you that 12% of your membership dues are not deductible as a business expense for federal income tax purposes due to the Association's lobbying activities. The remaining portion of your dues may be deductible as a business expense. Please consult your tax advisor for further guidance.

☐ CALL OUR OFFICE TO PAY WITH CREDIT CARD OVER PHONE: (863) 619-7575

☐ MAIL IN PAYMENT BY CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_

☐ OTHER PAYMENT TYPE: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ SUBMIT APPLICATION AND PAYMENT ONLINE

**BILLING ADDRESS:** ☐ Check this box if the address is the same as above.

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Please email your application to: [Tami@nwawatermelon.com](mailto:Tami@nwawatermelon.com)  
or mail to the NWA office: **NEW ADDRESS** 251 S.L. White Blvd., LaGrange, GA 30241



# MEMBERSHIP

## OUR MISSION

*Shaping the watermelon industry for future generations.*

### SMALL TO MEDIUM GROWERS

Your job is being a Farmer! Your watermelons are sold by another business..... *\$100 Annual Dues*

### LARGE GROWERS

Growers that farm and sell the watermelon crop.

- \$10 Million or more in annual watermelon sales..... *\$2500 Annual Dues*
- \$5 Million but less than \$10 Million in annual watermelon sales..... *\$1500 Annual Dues*
- Less than \$5 Million in annual watermelon sales..... *\$500 Annual Dues*

### SHIPPERS

Businesses that sell watermelon for farmers.

- \$10 Million or more in annual watermelon sales..... *\$2500 Annual Dues*
- \$5 Million but less than \$10 Million in annual watermelon sales..... *\$1500 Annual Dues*
- Less than \$5 Million in annual watermelon sales..... *\$500 Annual Dues*

### SUPPLIERS

Businesses that offer goods and services that benefit the industry.

- \$50 Million or more in annual watermelon-related sales..... *\$3000 Annual Dues*
- \$10 Million or more in annual watermelon-related sales..... *\$2000 Annual Dues*
- \$5 Million but less than \$10 Million in annual watermelon-related sales..... *\$1000 Annual Dues*
- Less than \$5 Million in annual watermelon-related sales..... *\$500 Annual Dues*

### ALLIED INDIVIDUALS

Associations/commissions/boards, researchers, grocery retailers, grocery wholesalers, government officials and past queens & coordinators..... *\$100 Annual Dues*

**With the exception of our Allied Individual Membership, all Memberships include 2 people. If your business wants to add more than 2 people, each additional person can become a member for \$50 each.**

## Benefits

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- Support NWA's advocacy efforts, including federal lobbying initiatives that amplify the industry's voice on critical issues like labor, food safety and research
- Subscriptions to member communications
- Access to NWA funded research
- Discounted rate at the NWA Convention
- Opportunities to join various committees
- Direct access to legal guidance on labor programs - connecting with an experienced labor attorney for insight on H-2A and other matters
- Access to food safety programs & guidance
- Leadership and networking opportunities
- Eligibility for exclusive programs
- National Watermelon Queen promotions

"As a supplier to the Watermelon industry the NWA is an essential partner with the industry. Thru the NWA we are able to connect, build lifetime relationships and give back to the industry. Without the NWA it would be much more difficult to achieve our company goals within the industry. The annual NWA convention is the "can't miss" event of the year! It never disappoints."

-Walt Shappley, Retired from Highland AG Solutions

"I am a member and supporter of the NWA because as issues in the industry arise my one voice rarely will be heard but the voice of a group will have a greater impact. Being on the farming side of this industry I am not always current on the latest issues affecting us (labor, trucking, corona virus, disease, etc.) so the updates from NWA can make us aware of what is ahead of us during our season. I value the information and combined voices that hopefully can make a positive difference. Teaching future generations about the importance of our Local and National Chapters is important as well. Having a Son that will one day take over our family farm, it is important to me to teach him the value of giving back to an industry that has been so important to our family farm over the years. If Not Us - WHO?"

-Mark Collins, DMC Farms, Laurel, Delaware