



## PRINCIPAL BROKER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



**I am applying for Primary Membership.**

Have you ever or currently hold membership in any other REALTOR® Association?  Yes  No.

If yes, name of the Association: \_\_\_\_\_ and NRDS ID # \_\_\_\_\_.

**I am applying for Secondary Membership.** My primary association is \_\_\_\_\_ and my NRDS ID # is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Please submit payment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_**, which includes a one-time \$100 application fee (see prorated chart below).

Email to [kellyr@somdrealtors.com](mailto:kellyr@somdrealtors.com), fax to 240.254.2107 or mail check along with application to 8440 Old Leonardtown Rd., Suite 211, Hughesville, MD 20637.

**NOTE:** *Payments to the Southern Maryland Association of REALTORS® are not deductible as charitable contributions. Such payments may, however, be deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense. No refunds.*

**Please read and check off the following guidelines:**

- I agree to abide by the Code of Ethics of the National Association of REALTORS®, which includes the duty to arbitrate commission disputes. (*Copy will be given out at New Member Orientation.*)
- I agree to abide by the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the Southern Maryland Association of REALTORS®. (*Available online at [bit.ly/SMARBylaws](http://bit.ly/SMARBylaws)*)
- I agree to attend the New Member Orientation Class that includes REALTOR® Code of Ethics Training with 150 days.
- I understand membership brings certain privileges and obligations that require compliance.
- I understand that Membership may be revoked should completion of requirements, such as orientation, not be completed within established time frame. I understand that I will be required to complete periodic Code of Ethics training as specified in the association's bylaws as a continued condition of membership.

**Please carefully read the following:**

*Have you been found in violation of the Code of Ethics or other membership duties in any Association of REALTORS® in the past three (3) years or are there any such complaints pending?  Yes  No (If yes, provide details as an attachment.)*

**NOTE:** Applicant acknowledges that if he/she subsequently resigns from the Association or otherwise causes membership to terminate with an ethics complaint pending, the Board of Directors may condition renewal of membership upon applicant's certification that he/she will submit to the pending ethics proceeding and will abide by the decision of the hearing panel. If applicant resigns or otherwise causes membership to terminate, the duty to submit to arbitration continues in effect even after membership lapses or is terminated, provided the dispute arose while applicant was a REALTOR®.

*I hereby certify that the foregoing information furnished by me is true and correct, and I agree that failure to provide complete and accurate information as requested, or any misstatement of fact, shall be grounds for revocation of my membership. I further agree that I shall pay the fees and dues as from time to time established. Note: SMAR's current billing cycle is November 1 - October 31 and collects dues for SMAR, MAR (Maryland REALTORS® and NAR (National Association of REALTORS®). I understand the amount paid today is prorated based on my membership join date.*

**By signing below I consent that the REALTOR® Associations (local, state, national) and their subsidiaries, if any (e.g., MLS, Foundation) may contact me at the specified address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, email address or other means of communication available.** This consent applies to changes in contact information that may be provided by me to the Association(s) in the future. This consent recognizes that certain state and federal laws may place limits on communications that I am waiving to receive all communications as part of my membership

Broker Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## New Member Dues Structure

November 1, 2025 - October 31, 2026

	2025		2026											
	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct		
<b>National</b>	\$272	\$259	\$201	\$188	\$175	\$162	\$149	\$136	\$123	\$110	\$97	\$84		
<b>State</b>	\$242	\$242	\$242	\$242	\$242	\$242	\$121	\$121	\$121	\$121	\$121	\$121	\$121	
<b>Local</b>	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$400	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	
<b>App Fee</b>	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	
<b>RPAC*</b>	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	\$35	
<b>Amount Due</b>	<b>\$1049.00</b>	<b>\$1036.00</b>	<b>\$978.00</b>	<b>\$965.00</b>	<b>\$952.00</b>	<b>\$939.00</b>	<b>\$605.00</b>	<b>\$592.00</b>	<b>\$579.00</b>	<b>\$566.00</b>	<b>\$553.00</b>	<b>\$540.00</b>		

\*A \$35 investment to RPAC is included in the total. The \$35 investment will appear as a separate line item on the emailed receipt. See detailed information about RPAC below.

### \*REALTORS Political Action Committee (RPAC)\*

RPAC is voluntary; it is **not** a mandatory fee. RPAC is the voice of REALTORS® on Capitol Hill. Since 1969 RPAC has been promoting the election of pro-REALTOR® candidates across the United States. In a recent federal election cycle alone, RPAC contributed over \$12 million to pro-REALTOR® candidates to Congress, making it the number one trade association political action committee in the nation. Why has RPAC been successful? Because RPAC is not a charity. RPAC is a business.

On the national level, we give our money to those in Congress who both understand and support REALTOR® issues. We look to build the future by putting RPAC dollars in places that will help advance the interests of Real Estate professionals. RPAC is the only political group in the country organized for REALTORS®, run by REALTORS® and exists solely to further issues important to REALTORS®. Think of your RPAC contribution as an investment. The best investment you'll ever make in your business and yourself. RPAC is your best insurance against poorly designed small business and commercial real estate legislation. If you're not giving your fair share to RPAC, you're not doing all you can to better your profession, your business, and yourself.

#### **Why should I contribute to RPAC?**

RPAC is the muscle behind NAR. RPAC represents over 400,000 politically active REALTORS® that members of Congress want as their friends. Recent legislative and regulatory successes include:

- The continued preservation of the mortgage interest deduction
- Tax relief benefiting the real estate industry
- Improving federal mortgage programs, allowing more families to join the ranks of homeownership
- Eliminating burdensome regulations inhibiting environmental quality and healthy real estate markets

#### **How will my contribution be used?**

100% of your contribution is used to elect pro-REALTOR® candidates: 70% remains in the state to be used in state and local elections. 30% of your contribution will be forwarded to National RPAC to fund key U.S. House and Senate races. Until your state PAC reaches its RPAC goal, 30% is sent to National RPAC to support federal candidates and is charged against your limits under 52 U.S.C. 30116. After the state PAC reaches its RPAC goal it may elect to retain your entire contribution for use in supporting state and local candidates.

**RPAC is neither a Republican nor a Democrat organization. Your contribution to RPAC is a vote for a pro-REALTOR® Congress, regardless of political party.**

**Note:** RPAC Contributions are not deductible for federal income tax purposes. Contributions to RPAC are voluntary and are used for political purposes. You may contribute more or less than the suggested amount. You may refuse to contribute without reprisal and the National Association of REALTORS or any of its state or local associations will not favor or disfavor any members because of the amount contributed.