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How to Join

MEMBERSHIP: Six Step Process

Thanks for considering membership in the Sabine-Neches Chief's Association (SNCA). Joining is relatively easy even though it is a six (6)-step process.

- Prospective members must complete a "letter of request" for membership into the SNCA, which includes the types of response equipment and manning capabilities available outside of their facility. NOTE: Prospective members do not have to have response capabilities to become a member of the SNCA. The response capabilities identify what type (voting or non-voting) of membership the prospective member qualifies for. To be eligible as a voting member, the entity must have resources available for mutual aid, pay dues and host meetings.
- 2. The prospective member must obtain a "letter of sponsorship" from a member in good standing to submit with the letter of request. The prospective member then submits both letters to the Secretary/Treasurer at:

Sabine-Neches Chief's Association c/o Secretary/Treasurer P.O. Box 2257 Nederland, TX 77627-8257 Or Email:

sabinenecheschiefsassn@gmail.com

- 3. After the Secretary/Treasurer receives the two (2) required and completed letters above, there will be one (1) reading to the voting membership. This starts the approval process.
- 4. The two letters will be presented to the Board of Directors to determine the class of membership and then vote for/against recommendation of approval to the voting membership.
- 5. Upon Board approval and giving their recommendation at the next regular meeting, the request for membership will be brought back to the voting members for a final vote of approval.
- 6. Once approved by the voting membership, an invoice for dues will be sent to the new member. Full membership is contingent on completion of the SNCA database information (A login and password will be issued by the Inventory Committee Chairperson; and receipt of payment of SNCA dues. The prospective member must complete both items within 60 days of the date of SNCA dues invoice. Memberships run from January 1 to December 31 each year.
- 7. New members should be aware of an expectation they will host a membership meeting lunch upon joining for the next open in the next calendar year. Membership attendance is normally 80-100 people. Hosting is usually no more frequent than 5-6 years between hosting a meeting and gives SNCA members an opportunity to learn about your organization.

Please refer to the SNCA Website at **www.snchiefs.com** to find current copies of the Constitution, By-Laws, Strategic Plan, and Operations Guides.



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Thanks, Secretary/Treasurer Sabine-Neches Chief's Association