



NORTH TEXAS CALLERS ASSOCIATION

A CALLERLAB AFFILIATE

APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Name _____ Spouse/Partner _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail _____ Cell Phone _____

Name and Location of clubs you call/cue for:

Do you call/cue at least 6 full dances per year? Yes _____ No _____ Number _____

Did you teach a class in the past 2 years? Yes _____ No _____ Number _____

Did you help teach a class in the past 2 years? Yes _____ No _____ Number _____

Number of years dancing? _____ Number of years calling/cueing? _____

Will you agree to abide by the Constitution and By Laws as adopted by the North Texas Callers Association? Yes _____ No _____

Will you agree to work for the furtherment of Square Dancing, and to promote goodwill between Square Dancers and the Public? Yes _____ No _____

Will you share with the Association the benefit of any knowledge you may have or receive with respect to the advancement of Square Dancing? Yes _____ No _____

Will you offer/accept criticism on a friendly basis with the intent of help and not hindrance? Yes _____ No _____

Do you have a current BMI/ASCAP License? Yes _____ No _____

Reasons for wishing to join this Association:

I agree that I will endeavor to support the North Texas Callers Association in all functions, meetings and activities to the best of my ability and will abide by the Constitution and By Laws which have been adopted by this Association. I further agree that I will uphold and further the high moral standards of the North Texas Callers Association to the best of my ability.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

We the sponsors of the above named applicant hereby attest that we are Full Members of this Association and attest to the sincerity and desire to improve his/her talents as a Square Dance Caller/Cuer and to further Square Dancing as a wholesome recreation for all to enjoy.

Sponsor: _____ Date: _____

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Excerpts From The NTCA By-Laws
Requirements For Associate Membership

2. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

- A. A candidate must be sponsored by two members of Full Membership status.
- B. In sponsoring a potential member, existing members shall accept the responsibility of verifying that the potential member is, in their opinion, a qualified caller/cuer desiring the benefits of this association. In determining this, the sponsoring member should carefully evaluate the candidate on the basis of a check list furnished to each Full or Associate Member. Such check list shall be compiled by the Executive Board or a committee appointed by the President.
- C. Must be actively calling an average of six full programs of patter and singing calls, round dance, clogging or contra programs per year during his/her previous 24 month re-certification period. Up to four Community Dance Programs or "Square Dance Parties" may be substituted for a like number of square dances. Must teach or help teach a minimum of one square dance, round dance, clogging or contra class within the previous 24 month re-certification period.
- D. Interviewed by a committee or be personally know by the committee covering:
 - 1. Mic personality, clarity, diction, etc.
 - 2. Know, like and understand people.
 - 3. Review of Caller's Code of Ethics.
 - 4. Tolerance, humility and patience.
 - 5. Neat and pleasant in appearance.
 - 6. Morally clean and integrity above reproach.
 - 7. Desire to call for fun and pleasure of dancers.
 - 8. Never use alcoholic beverages immediately before or during a square dance.
 - 9. Attend training sessions.
 - 10. Must be personally interviewed by two or more members of the Membership Committee on ability to call patter and singing calls and teach square dance movements and/or call and teach round dance, clogging or contra movements.
- E. Must have a partner to attend sessions.
- F. Strictly adhere to the Caller's Code of Ethics.
- G. An Associate Member must attend at least fifty percent of the association's functions each year. This includes workshop sessions and general meetings.
- H. UP-GRADING: Upon satisfactory completion of at least one year as an Associate Member, he or she will be eligible to apply for Full Membership, provided the prescribed requirements are met, and his or her calling ability is verified by the Membership Committee. This application will then be acted upon by the Membership Committee. Special action of the Executive Board, may pre-empt the one year requirement.
- I. An Associate Member shall receive all benefits of this association, including the right to vote except for the election of the Executive Board and amendments to the By-Laws and Constitution. An Associate Member may serve on any committee except the Membership Committee. An Associate Member shall not be eligible to become a candidate for the Executive Board or Chairman of a Permanent Committee.