



COVENANT OF THE GODDESS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURES FLOWCHART

This Membership Application Procedures Flowchart was generated in 2005 by members of a CoG committee chaired by Glenn Turner, based on current application procedures with the assistance of Elsa Die Lowen. It is intended to aid Membership Officers and new applicants through the various stages of the membership application process. This document is based on the bylaws and policies as of July 2005.

APPLICATION TO A LOCAL COUNCIL

Applicant contacts Local Council

Some Local Councils only: Applicant attends one or more meetings to be introduced as a prospective member.

Applicant assembles membership application packet, including: Completed Membership Application form, Statement of Practice, two letters of recommendation (one if applying Provisionally), and tithe payment.

Applicant delivers application packet to Local Council Membership Officer.

Local Council discusses application. Objections are raised and addressed.

OR

If there is an open veto in the Local Council, the Applicant is informed and the application is denied. They will be informed that they can re-apply in a year and a day.

With preliminary Local Council approval, the Local Council Membership Officer sends application to the National Membership Officer, and may also send copies the Publications Office for publication in the newsletter.

Copies of the application packet delivered to Publications Office. Applicant's Statement of Practice and Letters of Recommendation are published in Newsletter, beginning 90-day period for comment.

If there is objection to the Applicant from outside the Local Council, National Membership Officer communicates the objection to the Local Council, and the Local Council addresses the objection.

Local Council makes final decision about the application and informs the National Membership Officer and the Applicant of their decision.

If the applicant is accepted, the National Membership Officer sends out a new member packet with the Member Charter, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Covenant Charter, E-list Subscription Information and Credentials Applications form(s). Provisional members do not receive the Member Charter or Credentials application until after the second Letter of Recommendation is received. The new member is also welcomed in the Newsletter.

APPLICATION TO NATIONAL

Applicant contacts National Membership Officer

Applicant delivers application packet to National Membership Officer.

If there is objection to the Applicant, the National Membership Officer addresses the objection.

National Membership Officer makes a final decision, keeping in mind the good of the Covenant, and informs the Applicant of the decision.