

Instructions for Applying for Membership in The Association of Beach and Shag Club DeeJays

1. Read the By-Laws thoroughly.
2. Print out the application for membership and fill in all required blanks on the application.
3. Print and sign your name at the bottom of the application.
4. **Regular and Associate** applicants mail your completed application, all required supporting documents (see below), and a check for \$135.00 (Initial application fee of \$100.00 is non-refundable. This should offset the cost of processing the application) made out to “ABSCDJs” to:

The Association of Beach and Shag Club DeeJays
P.O. Box 58033
Fayetteville, NC 28305

5. Your completed application must be **received** a minimum of thirty days before the beginning on the three events described on the application where new members can be voted in. These events, once again are DJ Throwdown, Spring SOS and Fall SOS.
6. The requirements that must be met to apply for **regular membership** are as follows:
 - a. At the time of application for membership into the Association, such applicant must have at least one (1) year of play time and have played at least twelve (12) times in a commercial beach or shag club during the calendar year immediately preceding such application. Such “club” may also include a hotel, motel, restaurant, or other business establishment with a regular, recurring “beach” or “shag” night. This does not include other social events, such as playing for a social shag club. (Such play time does count toward “Associate” membership – see below.)
 - b. Positive sponsorship by at least one (1) Regular Association member in good standing, with that member’s name to be written on the “Application for Membership.” A sponsoring member and the prospective member must attend the meeting at which the prospective member’s application be considered.
 - c. A letter or memorandum of recommendation from a qualifying commercial beach or shag club, signed by the club owner/manager, stating that the prospective member has played at least twelve (12) times during the previous twelve (12) months. If the twelve (12) play times occurred in multiple clubs then multiple letters are acceptable.
 - d. Other supporting letters are encouraged, and may be required by the voting membership in cases where the prospective member and his or her performance as a “beach/shag club deejay” is not known. The Association, through the Chair, Membership Committee, or any other Executive Board member, as appropriate, reserves the right to independently verify any such documentation prior to final vote on a prospective member.

- e. Entry approval by a majority of those Regular members present at the meeting where the prospective member's application is voted on. The President (or presiding Executive Board Member) will call for discussion on each application, and will end this with a vote to approve or reject each application presented that is complete. Incomplete applications may be tabled for completion or voted on in the Associate category, as appropriate.
 - f. All applications must have one commercial reference along with a recommendation from a local ACSC shag club.
 - g. Applicant must furnish his play dates for the next 3 months, along with his application, in order for the Membership Chairman to schedule a visitation.
 - h. Each new member applicant must be heard by a Regular member appointed by the Membership Chairman before his or her membership is fully activated. There will be a waiting period of no more than six months from the time his or her application is presented, till the time the member is heard and fully activated as Regular member status.
 - i. During this time the applicant will be visited by a member appointed by the Membership Chairman and this member will report back to the Board. Upon the Board's recommendation the applicant will then be presented to the General Membership for vote.
 - ii. The member/members appointed for the visitation shall not be the sponsor, a known "good friend", a relative or live in the same town as the applicant.
 - iii. The criteria for the member to use in his assessment of the applicant and his report to the Board should include, but not be limited to; physical appearance, professionalism on microphone and relationship with people, type of equipment and apparent knowledge of equipment operation.
7. The requirements that must be met to apply for **Associate membership** are as follows:
- a. Those deejays who do not (or who do not yet) meet the time/play criteria in (A) above. Associate Membership can also include social club or radio deejays, private deejays, or beginners.
 - b. A letter of recommendation from a person, business, or organization familiar with the prospective Associate member's performance as a deejay is required, as is the sponsorship of a Regular Association member.
8. All applications will be reviewed by Membership Chairman and have a cursory investigation done pertaining to all paperwork submitted with the application at this time.
9. All applications will automatically be held for no longer than 6 months after the initial investigation by the Membership Chairman. If there are any

misrepresentations on the application, the applicant will be denied and the sponsor will be referred to the Ethics Committee for appropriate action.