



# 06 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## Because Reputation Matters

Please review and submit this application to us. Your signature indicates that you agree to terms & conditions stated on the back of this application. This application constitutes a binding agreement when accepted by the Triangle Bridal Association. The individuals whose signature appears below warrants and represents that he/she has authority to enter into this agreement on behalf of the company or organization represented.

### Membership Directory Information

Company	Years in Business
Website	
Contact Person	Phone
Address	City/ST/Zip
Fax	Email

Member Profile: Please describe (in paragraph form) your products and / or services, as well as business facts and attributes:

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List any business licenses, professional organizations, awards and/or accreditations:

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References:

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### Category select two

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| <input type="radio"/> Bachelorette Party Locations | <input type="radio"/> DJs                   | <input type="radio"/> Hotel Accommodations      | <input type="radio"/> Real Estate                        |
| <input type="radio"/> Bakeries/Wedding Cakes       | <input type="radio"/> Financial Planning    | <input type="radio"/> Invitations/Paper Goods   | <input type="radio"/> Reception/Rehearsal Dinner         |
| <input type="radio"/> Bridal Shows                 | <input type="radio"/> Florists              | <input type="radio"/> Jewelry/Accessories       | <input type="radio"/> Rental Supplies                    |
| <input type="radio"/> Bridal Wear                  | <input type="radio"/> Formal Wear           | <input type="radio"/> Limousines/Transportation | <input type="radio"/> Therapist/Stress Management        |
| <input type="radio"/> Caterers                     | <input type="radio"/> Gifts/Favors          | <input type="radio"/> Music/Entertainment       | <input type="radio"/> Videography                        |
| <input type="radio"/> Ceremony Sites               | <input type="radio"/> Hair & Make-Up        | <input type="radio"/> Photo Booth               | <input type="radio"/> Wedding Gown Cleaning Preservation |
| <input type="radio"/> Consultants/Planners         | <input type="radio"/> Health/Fitness/Beauty | <input type="radio"/> Photography               |  |
| <input type="radio"/> Day Spas                     | <input type="radio"/> Honeymoon/Travel      | <input type="radio"/> Publications              |  |

**Payment** I herein submit my application for membership in the Triangle Bridal Association for a period of 12 months. Term will begin on the 1st of the following month when payment is received and application is approved.

Dues: \$325.00	check#	Visa/MC	exp. date / 3-digit CSV
Signature		Title	Date

1. Term. This agreement will commence upon payment of dues by member (hereafter, "You" / "Your") and shall continue for twelve months thereafter. This agreement shall not be in force until accepted by Triangle Bridal Association (hereafter, "TBA") which reserves the right to cancel this agreement without further obligations under this contract, or for cause if You have failed to pay as agreed or if You fail to perform any material term or condition of this agreement.

Member shall pay a fee of \$20 for any check presented for payment that is returned by the bank, and a fee of \$20 for any late payment.

2. Code of Ethics. You must adhere to the TBA Code of Ethics, which guides the business practices of all members and helps ensure adherence to the principles upon which TBA is based. It is understood that You are familiar with its contents and will uphold each of the Articles and pledges it contains. You acknowledge that membership may be terminated without any refund, should TBA and/or TBA Executive Committee determine in its sole discretion that You have violated any aspect of the Code. TBA will always seek to address any such matters directly with you in order to have full information before a termination hearing occurs.

3. Licenses. You shall be required to obtain and keep in force any & all licenses for operation of you business.

4. Logo. You are permitted to utilize the TBA logo in your advertising, letterhead, business cards, and signage. Artwork of the logo is available free of charge to You; the logo must not be altered in any fashion. The use of the TBA logo must be discontinued immediately upon lapse in, non-renewal or termination of membership.

5. Plaque. You will receive a TBA plaque for display at your place of business during your active membership. The plaque is the property of TBA and must be returned to TBA upon lapse in, non-renewal or termination of membership. You agree that the plaque is valued at \$250, and agree to pay TBA \$250 for failure to return plaque upon request of TBA.

6. Liability and Insurance. TBA is not responsible or liable in any way for any injury to person or property, loss or damage of any kind, sustained by You, your employees or any other person by reason of fire, theft, water, accident, or negligence of TBA or any of its servants, agents or employees or any other cause whatsoever, except in cases of gross or sole negligence or willful misconduct. It is further understood that You will indemnify and hold harmless TBA from damages, loss, cost or expense, including costs of defense and reasonable attorney fees of any and all kind arising out of sole or contributing negligence of You, your employees, servants or agents, or TBA, or otherwise.

7. Miscellaneous. (A) All matters & questions not covered herein are subject to decision of TBA. Should either party resort to litigation or any form of alternative dispute resolution relating to this event under terms of this contract, parties agree that jurisdiction, venue and choice of law shall be in the State of North Carolina, City of Raleigh. (B) Any member needing assistance relating to a disability must contact TBA no later than 30 days prior to a TBA hosted event. (C) TBA reserves the right to use photos and/or video taken of You, your employees, and agents for publicity purposes.

Triangle Bridal Association and its members acknowledge the need to preserve and encourage fair and professional business practices. As a condition of membership, all members pledge to adhere to the following Code of Professional Ethics:

*I pledge myself to honesty and integrity, to pursue my profession and education so that services to my clients shall reflect the highest standards.*

*I pledge myself to comply with the standards of Triangle Bridal Association. I pledge myself to seek and maintain association with fellow members and others who may become a part of my business and professional life in an honorable and cooperative manner.*

*I know that my clients rely on my knowledge, experience and recommendations. I pledge not to betray the trust my clients place in me.*

#### Article One

I will accurately represent my qualifications and expertise in all communications.

#### Article Two

I will act and speak professionally so as to not offend or bring discredit to the wedding services profession.

#### Article Three

I will be committed to understanding my customers needs.

#### Article Four

I will communicate clearly with my clients in layman's language what my prices are and what services are included. I will gladly answer questions about those things so that my client is comfortable with what has been ordered.

#### Article Five

I will maintain the trust of clients and respect the affairs of clients and TBA members who may share information in confidence.

#### Article Six

I will treat other wedding professionals with courtesy and dignity.

#### Article Seven

I will provide services in those areas in which I am qualified to serve. When unable or unqualified to fulfill requests for services, I will make every effort to recommend the services of a qualified TBA member.

#### Article Eight

I will protect the public against fraud or unfair practices and shall attempt to disengage in all practices which bring discredit to the profession.

#### Article Nine

I will not be party to agreements which unfairly limit or restrain access to the marketplace by any other wedding professional, client or to the public, based on race, creed, color, sex, age, religion, sexual orientation, physical disability or country of origin.