

# **Qualifications for NMG Membership**

## Full Membership

A class of member shall consist of those manufacturers in the lighting industry who sell their products, wholly or in part, through independent sales representatives or lighting agents. Such member shall be entitled to and inured of such rights and benefits, duties and obligations of the aforesaid association as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors, except as enumerated in this section, and provided that such firm or corporation:

- Has no interest adverse to, or in conflict with, the Association, its general membership or its purpose.
- Agrees to pay the dues established by the Association for such class of membership.
- Agrees to support the purpose of the Association and the independent sales representative or lighting agents sales model.
- Has had at least five NEMRA Representative firms or lighting agents under contract for a minimum of two years.
- Has an established U.S. based office and is duly registered as a Corporation, LLC or other form of Corporation for at least two years.

# **Associate Membership**

There should be a second class of member, entitled Associate Member, who, although they do not qualify for full membership under the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, shall be entitled to and inured of all rights and benefits, duties and obligations, of the aforesaid full membership as enumerated above, except that:

- Associate members shall not have been engaged with at least 5 NEMRA Representative firms or lighting agents for at least two years prior to application but must have at least three NEMRA Representative firms or lighting agents under contract for at least two years.
- Associate members shall not hold any office whatever, either elected or appointed in the Association.

Associate members upon meeting the requirements of having at least 5 NEMRA Representative firms or lighting agents willing to be references for admission shall immediately be granted full membership in the Association without further action

#### **NMG Membership Dues**

Annual Sales	Annual Dues
<\$100M	\$2,500
\$100M - \$250M	\$5,000
\$250M - \$500M	\$7,500
\$500M+	\$10,000

### What if You Don't Qualify for NMG Membership at all?

NEMRA can still help if you do not qualify to join NMG, because of a lack of experience with Reps or agents. The best course of action would be to <u>submit a RepConnect</u>, to initiate the process of gaining experience and building your sales organization with NEMRA representatives or lighting agents.

Once you submit a RepConnect and provide the content for us to build out your posting, we will provide you with a preview before it is sent out to our representative membership. Content includes company logo, as well as product images, literature, or videos that you would like to feature. The main goal of a RepConnect is ultimately to help you qualify for membership and join NEMRA, so we are interested in companies who want to be a part of the association long-term and those who would otherwise qualify for membership.

If you would like to gain more information about the RepConnect process, please visit <u>our website</u> to learn more. If you have any remaining questions, feel free to <u>contact us</u> and we'd be happy to help!

# **Re-Entry Policy**

If you were a previous member of NEMRA or AAiLA and wish to re-join, please contact Sue Todd at <a href="mailto:stodd@nemra.org">stodd@nemra.org</a> to understand our re-entry policy and process.

