

**BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE
VERMONT RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION**

- ❖ The weekly *Recreation Check-In* via email. This provides up-to-date information about current issues in parks and recreation and in the VRPA, and an opportunity to ask questions of others on the email list and get help with your issues and challenges.
- ❖ Three issues/year of *The Advocate*, the VRPA newsletter, emailed to your designated address.
- ❖ Notices of VRPA quarterly meetings and conferences, and a variety of regional and national recreation conferences and workshops, with discounted registration fees at some.
- ❖ The annual VRPA Membership Directory (available in electronic and hard-copy format).
- ❖ Access to VRPA library.
- ❖ Opportunities to meet other people who work and volunteer in parks and recreation.
- ❖ Access to certification, awards, grant information, technical assistance, and many other resources.
- ❖ Our web page is at www.vrpa.org.

**May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011
APPLICATION AND ANNUAL RENEWAL**

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Office Phone: _____ Office FAX: _____

Email: _____ I do/do not want to be included in the weekly "Recreation Check In."

Classification*	Number of Persons	Cost	Amount
Agency (A) Population Size:			
___ under 5,000	_____	\$150	_____
___ under 10,000	_____	\$200	_____
___ under 20,000	_____	\$250	_____
___ under 50,000	_____	\$300	_____
___ 50,000 and over	_____	\$350	_____
Board/Commission (B)	_____	\$60	_____
(Includes up to 3 members; \$10 each over 3)	_____	\$10	_____
Commercial Vendor (C)	_____	\$100	_____
Professional (P)	_____	\$55	_____
Student (S)	_____	\$15	_____
Friend (F)	_____	\$15	_____
Retiree (R)	_____	\$15	_____
Honorary Life (H)	_____	FREE	_____

Date of Check _____ **Total Amount Enclosed** \$ _____

*Refer to the description of each classification listed on the backside of this membership application. Please clearly print additional names and contact information for agency and board memberships on a separate piece of paper. Thanks! **New memberships received in the months of Nov, Dec and Jan are half price. New memberships received in the last three months of our fiscal year (Feb, March and April) are full price and include the following year membership also.**

Would you like to be more involved with VRPA? Listed below are the various VRPA committees. Please check if you are interested and the chair of the committee will contact you. Thank you for your interest!

Membership Awards	Programs & Service	Education & Training	Visibility	Nominating
State Track Meet	Hershey Track Meet	Governor's Conference	Northern New England	
Conference	Advocacy	Finance	Executive Committee	

Is there a VRPA member who influenced your decision to join? _____ Are you a member of NRPA? Yes No
If yes, who? _____

Mail to VRPA, 721 Main Street, Colchester, VT, 05446. Please keep a copy.

Vermont Recreation and Parks Association – Membership Categories

Agency:

Recreation and/or park-related agencies including government, non-profit, therapeutic or commercial organizations that provide such services. *Agency fee includes up to ten full-time or part-time year-round staff, and board (commission, committee, or council) members. You may also include your city or town manager, chair of the Selectboard, CEO, or similar head executive position. You may add additional full-time or part-time year-round staff, above the first ten, for the cost of \$30 per member.* The annual fee for an agency is based on the population it serves. Population served:

Under 5K	\$150
Under 10K	\$200
Under 20K	\$250
Under 50K	\$300
50K and over	\$350

Board/Commission:

Recreation and/or park boards and commissions of political sub-divisions of the town, or boards of directors or non-profit recreation related organizations. *Includes up to three members (\$10 for each additional member over three.)*

\$60

Commercial Vendor Members:

Business firms in the recreation and park profession. This includes consultants, product providers and exhibitors. Commercial vendor membership includes a link from the VRPA website.

\$100

Professional:

Individuals engaged in full-time and part-time recreation, park, sport and related work.

\$55

Student:

Individuals attending educational institutions full-time who are preparing for any phase of recreation and park work.

\$15

Friend:

Any interested person including seasonal employees, volunteers and individual board or commission members. This category is for persons who do not qualify for other categories.

\$15

Retiree:

Individuals having been employed full-time in recreation and parks whose employment was terminated due to retirement. Must have held active membership for at least five years prior to retirement.

\$15

Honorary:

An individual who has made significant contributions to the Park & Recreation field in Vermont. These individuals are selected by the VRPA Executive Committee.

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