



# HASSRA West Midlands

## Associate Membership Policy

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### **Eligibility**

1. HASSRA Associate Membership can be applied for with effect from 22.3.07
2. It is available to anyone who has taken early severance from the Dept of Health or Dept for Work & Pensions

Or

3. All applicants for Associate Membership must be/have been a HASSRA member. A minimum period of 1 year must have been served as a full HASSRA member apart from circumstances where an applicant has served less than one year as a HASSRA member and within that time they are working for a unit who move to another Department outside of National HASSRA remit
4. Each associate member needs to be sponsored by 2 existing full HASSRA members.

### **Rules**

1. The subscription fee to fall in line with Full Membership fee. £18.00 per annum as at 1.1.09
2. Subscriptions will be paid in full annually, by cheque, in advance.
3. Membership will start from the date that payment is received at the HASSRA West Midlands office.
4. A reminder will be sent when renewal of membership is due. There will be a period of 3 months for the member to respond. If renewal is not made in this time, the membership will be terminated.
5. The administration of the scheme will be undertaken as and when required, not on an annual basis.
6. A maximum of 10% of membership will be Associate Members.
7. A review of the scheme will be undertaken every 6 months. At such times, the subscription rate may increase or decrease if deemed necessary.
8. An Associate Membership sub committee will check compliance of the scheme, consider any appeals and decide on any anomalies.

### **Benefits & Entitlements**

**Associate members may:**

- a) Take part in any Regional or local events, competitions or activities.
- b) Purchase discount cinema or other tickets available from HASSRA West Midlands

- c) Benefit from other offers & discounts organised by HASSRA West Midlands
- d) Serve as an ordinary member on a local HASSRA club committee.

**Associate members cannot:**

- a) Compete in National HASSRA events, competitions or activities.
- b) Purchase discount Theme Park or other tickets available from National HASSRA.
- c) Benefit from other offers & discounts organised by National HASSRA.
- d) Purchase tickets in the National HASSRA Lottery.
- e) Serve on the Regional HASSRA committee.
- f) Vote at the Regional Annual General Meeting.
- g) Serve as an Official on a local HASSRA club committee.