

November 2020

### MEMBERSHIP OF RESPONSIBLE WOOD

Companies, not-for-profit organisations, Government entities and individuals who have an interest in sustainable forest management and the supply of wood and paper products in Australia are invited to become members of Responsible Wood. Responsible Wood members support the development and maintenance of the Responsible Wood Certification Scheme (RWCS) and its' elements.

Responsible Wood is the registered trading name of the Australian Forestry Standard Ltd. AFS Ltd is a Standards Development Organisation and a not for profit public company limited by guarantee. The objects of Responsible Wood are to:

- promote sustainable forest management of Australia's forests through the Australian Forestry Standard (AS 4708);
- support and maintain the development of the Australian Forestry Standard (AS 4708), and other related or complementary standards and processes which make up the Responsible Wood Certification Scheme;
- maintain AFS Ltd as a Standards Development Organisation;
- support and facilitate the use of the AS 4708, and any related standards, for forestry certification within Australia; and
- maintain mutual recognition for the Responsible Wood Certification Scheme internationally through the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification schemes (PEFC).
- support the forest industry and sustainable forest management internationally.

Responsible Wood Members have the opportunity to be involved in and to contribute to the development and operation of the RWCS.

Responsible Wood members are categorised into five membership classes with a current membership of 34 organisations and individuals (as at November 2020). The purpose of assigning membership classes is to elect the Board of Directors, currently nine, with representation being:

- Forest Grower members (2)
- Primary Processor members (1)
- Supply Chain members (1)
- Employee Representative Organisation members (1)
- Community, Social, Environment members (1).

By becoming a Responsible Wood Member you can help to ensure that the RWCS aligns with industry and customer needs and requirements and addresses relevant environmental, social and economic factors.

## Membership Application Form

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A description of the Responsible Wood membership classes are as follows:

**Forest Growers** - An organisation engaged primarily in the growing and/or managing of certified forests.

**Primary Processor** - An organisation that receives forest products directly from the forest for further processing or providing direct support and assistance to primary processors.

**Supply Chain** –An organisation engaged in the secondary processing, sale, distribution of forest products, or the provision of services to the forest product supply chain.

**Employee Representative Organisation** –An organisation represents the interests of workers in the forestry and forest products industry.

**Community, Social and Environment** – A person or organisation representing the interests of the community at large with respect to forestry and the forest products sector.

### MEMBERSHIP FEES (2020)

ORGANISATION TYPE	FEE (\$) per annum +GST
Companies (forestry and wood products industry) above \$10M sales	\$6,875
Companies (forestry and wood products industry) below \$10M sales	\$3,435
Large NFP National Bodies/Associations	\$6 875
Large NFP State Bodies/Associations	\$3,435
Small NFP Groups and Associations	\$500
Individuals	\$135

**IMPORTANT** – Membership does not allow you to use either the Responsible Wood or PEFC logo, unless you have applied for special use and an exception with the correct logo and logo ID has been given to you. To obtain your own uniquely identified logos please see Logo Usage Rules and complete an Application.

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## APPLICATION FORM

### 1. Contact Details

Full Name<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

ABN (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Position<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

State / Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone / Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Membership Classification <sup>4</sup>and <sup>5</sup>

*(please tick appropriate class)*

- Forest Grower
- Primary Processor
- Supply Chain
- Employee Representative Organisation
- Community Social and Environment

*(please tick appropriate category)*

- Companies (forestry and wood products industry) above \$10M sales
- Companies (forestry and wood products industry) below \$10M sales
- Large NFP National Bodies/Associations
- Large NFP State Bodies/Associations
- Small NFP Groups and Associations

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<sup>1</sup> If a company, organisation, association etc, the contact person for dealings with Responsible Wood.

<sup>2</sup> The full legal name of the company, organisation, association etc.

<sup>3</sup> The office held within the **company**, organisation, association etc by the contact person

<sup>4</sup> Note: There are a number of identified categories within each membership class in relation to the membership fee with a variable fee structure to reflect those categories.

<sup>5</sup>The final assignment of an applicant into a membership class for the purpose of electing Directors is to be determined by the Responsible Wood Board on approval of the application.

Individuals

**3. Certification and Logo Details**

(a) Is your organisation a holder of a valid AS4708 FM Certificate or CoC Certificate

No  Yes if YES, please provide Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_ and Certification Body. \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Is your organisation a holder of a valid Logo Use Licence

No  Yes if YES, please provide Logo ID No. \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Other Memberships**

Which other Forestry or Industry Associations or Bodies is your organisation a member of. e.g. AFG, EWPA, FWPA, Timber QLD, APIA, MBA, GBCA, RAIA, FSC? *(Please list)*

**5. Declaration**

I/We acknowledge that by becoming a member of Responsible Wood, I/We agree to abide by the following objects of Responsible Wood:

- \* to promote sustainable forest management in Australia’s forests through an Australian Forestry Standard (AS 4708) to be owned by the company;
- \* to support and maintain the development of the Australian Forestry Standard AS 4708, and other related or complementary standards; and
- \* to support and facilitate the use of the AS 4708, and related standards, for forestry certification within Australia.
- \* I am an authorised representative of the organisation

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**Signature**

.....  
**Name**

...../...../.....  
**Date**

Office Use					
Received	/ /	Reviewed	/ /	Approved	/ /
Invoiced	/ /	Payment Rcv'd	/ /	Membership Start Date	/ /