



Membership Application or Renewal (can be done online on www.bsv.net.au).

Please tick the appropriate boxes and fill in details where requested.

New Application OR **Renewal (For year _____)**

Personal Details

Given Name Family Name Gender DOB (dd/mm/yyyy)

Number & Street City/Suburb State

Occupation Email Mobile No. Home or Work No.

Membership Type (Please tick ONE box in the "Membership Type" field. Concessional applies for students, unemployed and retired person)

Ordinary Membership <small>(please circle)</small> \$80 \$25 (Concession)	Associate Member <small>(please circle)</small> \$80 \$25 (Concession)	Lifetime Membership \$800	Youth (Under 18 yrs) FREE
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Please take this form to a monk or nun to sign.	Please take this form to a committee member to sign.	Please take this form to a monk or nun to sign.	Please take this form to a committee member to sign. If under 16, parent to sign

Referee / Sponsor Name: _____ Signature: _____

Total paid = \$ _____

Please note: Membership Fees are NOT tax deductible. An acknowledgement of payment will be sent to you.

I agree to the conditions of BSV membership
(See overleaf)

Signature: _____

Date: ____/____/____

Office Use Only
Payment received : EFTPOS Cash EFT

PAYMENT Options (Please tick)



Cash

Place the payment in an envelope with this form & drop it into the donation box



EFT

Bank : Commonwealth Bank
BSB : 063001
A/C No. 00910907



Cheque

Please make cheques payable to:
Buddhist Society of Victoria Inc,
Forward/ Mail to:
The Treasurer, BSV,
71 Darling Road East Malvern VIC 3145



Credit Card / Paypal

Please visit www.bsv.net.au

WHY BECOME A BSV MEMBER?

- Discounts & priority allocation on BSV organised meditation retreats.
- Borrowing rights from the extensive BSV library.
- Receive regular weekly updates by email, or by standard post (if requested).
- Members are invited to the numerous events to hear distinguished Dhamma teachers and social/fund raising events.
- Priority seating at special events.
- Tap into the wealth of knowledge with Buddhist connections locally and around the world
- Be eligible to vote at the AGM and SGM (assuming your membership meets the criteria). Have a say in how things are done and shape the way Buddhism is explored in Victoria.
- In addition to these and many more benefits, you will support the free BSV teaching programs and upkeep of the Centre, as well as supporting visiting teachers at the BSV.

NOTES ON MEMBERSHIP

1. Sponsorship: New members are required to have a sponsor sign their application form. Please refer to the specific categories of sponsors on the membership application. Anyone seeking to join the society can approach a member of the committee for assistance on this matter.

2. Approval Process: An applicant does not become a member of the Society until the Committee formally approves the applicant's nomination.

3. Voting Rights: Only financial Ordinary members of not less than two years standing may vote, stand for election to the committee of the society or nominate members who wish to stand for election.

4. Main Classes of Membership:

Ordinary Membership is for those prepared to commit themselves as Buddhists by taking refuge in the Triple Gem (i.e. go for refuge to the Buddha, Dhamma and Sangha) and observing the 5 precepts. Applications need to be signed by either a monk or a nun as their Referee.

Associate Membership for those wishing to have the benefits of membership without making a commitment to the Triple Gem. Both classes of membership have similar privileges except Associate Members cannot vote at Annual or Special General Meetings.

5. Sub Classes of Membership: Concession Membership is provided for members who have economic hardship and cannot afford the normal membership fee.

6. Voting Rights: All classes of membership have the same privileges but Associate Members may not vote at Annual or Special General Meetings. Honorary members can vote (as long as they are not monastics).

7. Membership Renewal

Except for those who have joined as new members since April 2014, individual membership renewal falls due on January 1 and must be paid by the AGM date of the year. The renewal date for members who joined after 30 March 2014, fall on their respective anniversary Membership Join Date.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

The BSV site does not collect or record personal information, other than information you choose to provide. Online surveys may collect personal information as and when they occur (in the form of a secure transaction).

Select BSV committee members use personal information collected from email and online sources only to respond to individuals and discuss their particular enquiries. As a member you consent to having your email address added to our mailing list unless you advise otherwise.

Parent Legal Guardian Consent (in respect to an applicant under the age of 18 years) – I have read, understood, acknowledged and agree to the application and conditions of membership and I personally consent to the declaration and application for Membership of the applicant.

Please note: Full details of membership rights and responsibilities are laid out in the Constitution of The Buddhist Society of Victoria Inc. available for browsing on the website or in hardcopy via request of the BSV Secretary.