



Australian Sex Workers Association

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Individual Membership Application Form

Applicant's Name: _____ **New \ Renewal** (please circle)

We advise you to use a name that you are personally comfortable with others knowing you by.

Please only provide details that are private and safe for us to contact you through. Our preferred contact method is email. Your postal address will be used to mail out our annual magazine, proVision.

Postal Address (optional): _____

State (required): _____

Postcode (required): _____

Email Address (required for elist): _____

Phone Numbers: _____

I hereby apply to become a member of Scarlet Alliance, Australian Sex Workers Association Inc. I have read and agree to the Scarlet Alliance objectives (see back) and constitutional rules (see website).

Signed _____

Dated _____

For a new application to be processed, you need to be *moved* and *seconded* by current members of Scarlet Alliance. If you are unable to do this, please call or email the administration officer at the Scarlet Alliance office to confirm your membership.

This application is moved by: _____

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

This application is seconded by: _____

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Membership Fees

- Full Year **\$20** (tick this option if you are joining between July 1st and December 31st)
- Part Year **\$10** (tick this option if you are joining between January 1st and June 30th)
- 3 Years **\$50** (if you join between January 1st and June 30th, please also pay \$10 for part year to cover you until July 1st)
- Extra Donation \$.....

Payment Options

Bank Transfer: Please include print out receipt with membership form.

BSB: 305 122 Account Number: 0131249

Account Name: Scarlet Alliance

Bank: BankWest (please use your application name as the reference).

Money order/personal cheque/cash: Please include payment with membership form. Make cheques out to "Scarlet Alliance".

Membership fees are a tax deductible work expense.

Information for Individual Members

Please read and agree to the following information before filling out the Individual membership form.

Who can become an Individual Member of Scarlet Alliance?

Scarlet Alliance welcomes membership from sex workers, past and present, who support and agree to the Scarlet Alliance Objectives. Sex industry business owners and operators are not eligible for membership.

What does membership to Scarlet Alliance entitle me to?

Scarlet Alliance is not a service delivery organisation, we are the national peak sex worker organisation working towards improved sex worker rights. By becoming a member of Scarlet Alliance, you are assisting us to strengthen our representation of sex worker issues from around Australia at a national level. Your contribution and experience as a sex worker ensures our understanding of issues affecting you and your community and that this informs the Scarlet Alliance policy, advocacy and representation work. As a member you have full speaking rights at the Annual General Meeting, you receive full subscription to the Scarlet Alliance magazine proVision, and a copy of the Annual Report.

Representation, Disclosure and Confidentiality.

Individual membership does not endorse, empower, or necessitate you to represent or speak on behalf of Scarlet Alliance. Representation roles are elected positions and are determined at each National Forum. Scarlet Alliance does not use the names or details of individual members publicly. Scarlet Alliance represents the sex worker community including members in Australia, but does not use any identifying details or release membership lists to the public. You should be aware however that Scarlet Alliance is an incorporated organisation, and as such the membership list is accessible to other members of Scarlet Alliance. As with all instances of association with the sex industry, for your own confidentiality and disclosure control, we advise you to use a name that you are personally comfortable with others knowing you by.

Scarlet Alliance objectives are:

- (a) To promote the civil and human rights of past and present sex workers and to work toward ending all forms of discrimination against them;
- (b) To lobby for legal and administrative frameworks which do not discriminate against sex workers;
- (c) To challenge any government at any time when and where it implements legislation, regulations, rules, policies or law enforcement practices which are discriminatory and/or repressive to the rights and autonomy of sex workers;
- (d) To actively promote the right of all sex workers to work in whatever area of their chosen occupation, including street, brothel, escort, private and opportunistic work;
- (e) To actively work towards guaranteeing the right of all sex workers to optimum occupational health and safety provisions. This will promote conditions where safe sex and general health knowledge can be converted to safe work practices. Furthermore, challenge any legislation, policy or process which does not so promote the rights of the worker;
- (f) To strive to eradicate sex worker stereotypes and stigmatisation in the popular consciousness and to communicate the diversity of ideas, opinions and aspirations of past and present sex workers;
- (g) To liaise with international sex worker rights groups in the development of regional and international networks, programs and objectives;
- (h) To support sex workers and sex worker organisations to become more politically active;
- (i) To enhance the capacity of sex workers to participate in advancing their rights and build networks & organisations;
- (j) To gather and disseminate sex industry related information to members;
- (k) To play an active role in Australia's response to HIV/AIDS, including supporting peer education and harm reduction strategies for sex workers;
- (l) To provide training and education on issues relating to the Australian sex industry and the migration of sex workers into Australia; and
- (m) To present up to date information on sex work issues at national and international forums.

These objects are undertaken in order to advance sex worker rights.