



Application for Associate Membership (Introductory)

(Draft Form approved by VSA Committee 18 March 2003, IntroMembApp2.wps)

Details of Proposed Member

Full Name _____	
Address _____ _____	
Telephone	Home _____ Business _____
	Fax _____ Mobile _____
email _____	
Occupation _____	Date of Birth _____
If accepted as an Associate Member (Introductory) of VSA I agree to abide by its Rules and the Australian Speleological Federation's Codes Of Ethics and Safety Code.	
Signed _____	Date _____
Signature of Parent or Guardian if under 18 years _____	

Accepted as an Associate Member (Introductory)

Full Name _____	being a full member of VSA
Signed _____	Date _____
accept and approve this person as an Associate Member (Introductory) of VSA for the 3 calendar months	
dated _____ to _____ inclusive	
and have received the membership fee of \$50.00	
as • cash or • a cheque payable to Victorian Speleological Association Inc.	

VSA Committee Use Only

• Application received by _____	Position _____
Date _____	
• Membership fee received by _____	Position _____
Date _____	
• ASF informed by _____	Position _____
Date _____	
• Fee paid to ASF by _____	Position _____
Date _____	Amount _____
	Cheque number _____



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Membership Qualifications

Associate Members (Introductory) shall be natural persons over the age of 16 years nominated and approved in the following manner:

1. If under the age of 18 years, have his or her application form endorsed by a parent or legal guardian, and
2. be proposed and approved by a Full Member who is familiar with the person and his/her abilities, and
3. the Full Member collects payment of the membership fee, which must be passed together with the application form to the Secretary as soon as possible, and
4. the term of membership is limited to three calendar (3) months, commencing on any day of the month, as specified on the application form, after which the person may apply for Associate or Full Membership.
5. the person may apply and be approved for an unlimited number of terms of Associate Member (Introductory).

Once an application for Associate Membership (Introductory) has been accepted Committee, it is usual practice to announce the acceptance at the next general meeting.

Privacy Statement for VSA members

The Victorian Speleological Association Inc. (VSA) acknowledges and respects the privacy of individuals. VSA supports and endorses the National Privacy Principles contained in the Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000 and complies with these principles whenever personal information as defined by the Act is collected or used in the normal course of the Association's business.

Provisions in the Incorporations Act (Vic) requires VSA to record your name and postal address in the Association's official register of members. Your residential address, telephone numbers and email addresses are also recorded in the register.

Personal contact information is published annually in the VSA Annual Report, which is only circulated to VSA members.

Nargun is the Association's monthly newsletter / journal and is available publicly. Personal contact information may be published in Nargun from time to time for officer bearers, trip leaders, announcements of new members and notifications of members change of details.

Personal contact information is also provided to the Australian Speleological Federation Inc. (ASF) from time to time for updating ASF's membership list, insurance registration list, and the mailing list for Australian Caver magazine.

All personal information on the VSA membership application forms is given voluntarily. Some personal information may be summarised and announced at official VSA meetings when the membership application is considered, but will not be minuted.

Except in special situations, as specified in The Privacy Act, VSA cannot give personal information to a third party without your prior consent.

- I elect not to have their postal address and email address published in Nargun and the Annual Report.
- I elect not to have their contact phone number(s) published in Nargun and the Annual Report.