



Eligibility for Membership in Midwest Free Community Papers (MFCP)

Membership in MFCP is open to publishers who are actively engaged in the business of publishing free distribution papers. To be qualified for membership, all publications must be published free a minimum of twelve (12) times per year with no more than seventy-five percent (75%) of its content consisting of one topic or category of interest.

In order to become an MFCP member, the following items are required:

- 1) Application for Membership
- 2) MCN Participation Agreement
- 3) MDN and 2 x 2 Network Participation Agreement
- 4) Code of Ethics
- 5) Two (2) recent copies of the publication applying for membership
- 6) A check for membership dues (see below)

Membership dues are payable annually on July 1. The dues structure is as follows:

- *Yearly Membership Dues for Weekly Member Publishing MCN Ads - \$249
- *Yearly Membership Dues for Weekly Publishers Not Publishing MCN Ads - \$325
- *Yearly Membership Dues for Bi-weekly or Monthly Member Publishing MCN Ads - \$325
- *Yearly Membership Dues for Biweekly/Monthly Member Not Publishing MCN Ads - \$425

In the event of an ownership change, the new owners must file a new application, accompanied by yearly dues, and be approved by the Board of Directors.

Publishers who own more than one (1) paper may pay yearly dues for each publication, which will entitle the publisher to one (1) vote for each membership held at General Meetings.

Each publisher must submit to the MFCP Office a statement of copies published, rates, and territory regularly covered by the publication, including any seasonal increases annually. All members are also required to send a copy of each issue to the MFCP office by mail; however, if the publication is available online, notifying the office of the web address and how to access the publication electronically will suffice.