

Newcastle Reform Synagogue (NRS)

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**APPLICATION FORM FOR BECOMING A FRIEND OF NRS**

Please fill in this form if you wish to become a Friend of Newcastle Reform Synagogue (NRS). Please use one form per adult application and send the completed form(s) to the Secretary at membership@newcastlereformsynagogue.co.uk or at the postal address above. Information will be treated in confidence.

The Synagogue Council recognises that there are certain people who support the ideals and activities of NRS, but are not eligible for full membership. A category of 'Friends of NRS' has been established for (a) partners of Jewish members and (b) persons of goodwill who wish to support NRS. The fees are set each year. Friends can:

- Attend services (including High Holy Days), social functions and educational activities. **
- Receive a copy of the synagogue's newsletter 'Focus' containing a listing of all events.
- Know that they are supporting the Synagogue and contributing to its costs.

** *In the case of long-term, formal tuition, there may be a request for a further fee.*

Please see the attached notes for procedures and Friend fees.

Given Name	
Surname	
Title if used e.g. Mr, Mrs, Ms, Mx, Miss, Dr etc.	
Preferred Pronoun , how you wish to be addressed, e.g. he, she, they	
Where applicable, the name of your spouse/partner who is or is applying to be an NRS member	
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	
Home Address, Street	
City, County	
Postcode	
Home Phone	
Mobile Phone	
E-mail	
Are you a member of a religious organisation? If so, please specify:	

In signing this form, you agree that NRS will keep a record of your name and contact details and any other information you provide to us (such as birthdate, yahrzeits observed, family relationships and Funeral Scheme membership) and will use this information for internal administration of your friend status and may contact you in the future with information about the synagogue and related community events. We may also send you publications by post or e-mail.

As a constituent member of the Movement for Reform Judaism (MRJ), NRS may make your relevant information available to MRJ for the purpose of supporting our Synagogue, enabling them to inform you of events and activities, particularly with regard to Youth, as well as statistical analysis. If you are or become a member the Funeral Scheme, we will share your relevant data with the JJBS in order to administer your membership in our Funeral Scheme. We will not share your data with any other third party and information no longer required is destroyed. If you required further details about use of data, please contact any member of the Synagogue Executive.

Please tick here if you agree that the MRJ can use your information to send you fundraising material.

Your Signature	
	Date (dd/mm/yyyy)

Please read the notes overleaf

Friend Application Procedure

Newcastle Reform Synagogue is a constituent member of the Movement for Reform Judaism. Membership of Newcastle Reform Synagogue is open to all Jewish people. For our purposes, this means anyone who was born to a Jewish mother or who has converted to Judaism under the auspices of any authority recognised by the Movement for Reform Judaism. The Synagogue Council recognises that there are certain people who support the ideals and activities of NRS, but are not eligible for full membership. A category of 'Friends of NRS' has been established for (a) partners of Jewish members and (b) persons of goodwill who wish to support NRS.

All applications for Friend status are referred to our Council. Once approved, the Synagogue Treasurer will send the applicant a request for payment of subscriptions. In the event of financial hardship, applicants/members should consult the Treasurer. All information relating to membership, including financial information, is treated as strictly confidential.

The Synagogue Council, acting in consultation with its Rabbi and the Movement for Reform Judaism, reserves the right to refuse an application for Friend status or to terminate an existing "Friendship". While always seeking to act in good faith and with due regard to natural justice, the Synagogue Council is not obliged to give reasons for its decisions.

Please see next page for annual membership fees.

Membership Categories and Annual Fees

(Valid from 2022)

Please check that you are referring to the fees valid for the current calendar year. Please also note that fees may change and that they are payable on an annual basis for the duration of your membership.

Membership	Explanation	Annual Fee
Full Adult Member	Full membership is open to adults, aged 18+, as at 31 Dec of the year prior.	£270 for Standard Rate Tax Payers £340 for Higher Rate Tax Payers
Country Member	Country membership is open to adults, aged 18+, as at 31 Dec of the year prior, who live 50 or more miles from NRS	£130
Student	Student membership is open to adults aged 18 to 24 inclusive as at 31 Dec of the year prior. A person who is over the age of 24 and is a full-time student is also eligible to apply for student membership, but must show proof of student status;	£50
Child	Child membership is available for those aged up to including 17, as at 31 Dec of the year prior.	No Charge
Conversion candidate	Conversion candidate membership is open to people who have been accepted into the conversion programme	£270 (Standard Rate Tax Payer) £340 Higher Rate Tax Payer
Friend (single)	“Friends” are aged 18+ and support the ideals and activities of NRS, but are not Jewish and, therefore, not eligible for full membership. The category of ‘Friends of NRS’ is available for (a) partners of Jewish members and (b) persons of goodwill who wish to support NRS.	£160

A Friend who is the non-Jewish spouse/partner of a member of NRS and of the NRS Funeral Scheme is eligible to join the Funeral Scheme. Please see the Funeral Scheme Rules for terms and conditions.

Funeral Scheme membership (adult)	£68
Funeral Scheme membership (student)	£46
Funeral Scheme membership (child)	No charge
Voluntary contributions to the Board of Deputies are welcome	
Voluntary contributions to NRS are also welcome.	

When your application is accepted, NRS will send you an invoice for your annual fee.