

Newcastle Reform Synagogue (NRS)
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APPLICATION FORM FOR BECOMING A CONVERSION CANDIDATE MEMBER OF NRS

Please fill in this form if you wish to become a Conversion Candidate Member of Newcastle Reform Synagogue (NRS). Please use one form per adult application and send the completed form(s) to the Secretary at the address above. Information will be treated in confidence. Please see the attached notes for procedures and fees.

Conversion candidate membership is open to people who have been accepted into the conversion programme by the Rabbi. The fees are set each year. Conversion candidate members can:

- Attend services (including High Holy Days), social functions and educational activities.
- Receive a copy of the synagogue's newsletter containing a listing of all events
- Participate in educational programmes to prepare for conversion.

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:	

If you have children whom you wish to be part of NRS, please discuss this with the Rabbi.

Do you wish to apply for membership on behalf of any children? (yes or no)				
If yes, how many children and please list names and details below				
Given Name(s)	Surname	Hebrew Name	Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	

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 conversion candidate 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 regards 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)

Conversion Candidate 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.

We welcome interest and applications from people considering conversion. All applications for Conversion Candidate membership are referred to our Rabbi. The synagogue requires that the Rabbi be satisfied that the applicant is eligible for the conversion programme. When the Rabbi is satisfied that an applicant is eligible, the Conversion Candidate membership application is presented to the Synagogue Council for approval.

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 or to terminate an existing membership. 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.

Membership Categories and Annual Fees

(Valid from 2023)

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.	£284 for Standard Rate Tax Payers £357 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	£137
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	£284 (Standard Rate Tax Payer) £357 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.	£168

Funeral Scheme membership (adult)		£70
Funeral Scheme membership (student)		£48
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.