



Membership Form for Ordinary Members

**Welcome to Respect Inc.
We Are Sex Workers
United for Sex Worker
Rights.**

To be an ordinary member you must be a current or past sex worker. Being a member entitles you to voting rights at the Annual General Meeting where we elect our management committee. You can also nominate yourself to sit on this committee. The AGM is usually held in October of each year. Dates, details, renewal form and voting form will be forwarded via email prior. Membership also entitles you to become involved as a volunteer at any of our offices, and you get a 10% discount on safer sex supplies. Members are also consulted when we review our programs and in our strategic planning.

Your information is kept confidential within the Respect Inc Management Committee and staff. Please only provide details (e.g. email, phone number postal address) that are safe for us to contact you on using the name you have given us. We recommend that you use a 'working' first and last name, as names on the membership list can be accessed by other members of Respect Inc. We will use this contact information to keep you up to date about meetings, social events and to send you important information (ugly mugs, law changes etc.) so PLEASE let us know if your contact details change. Your membership will be valid until cancellation by yourself or Respect Inc.

The Objectives of Respect Inc are:

1. To provide a range of education, information and resources that will support sex workers and increase their awareness of occupational health, safety, emotional wellbeing, legal and taxation rights and responsibilities, in a non judgmental and non-invasive environment.
2. To provide health promotion programs to sex workers
3. To operate within a context of accountability, equity and transparency.
4. To recognise that by providing education, information and support to sex workers, sex workers will be effectively resourced as safer sex educators to pass on those educational benefits to the larger general population.
5. To operate within an affirmative action approach, that is, with all direct services by peers (sex workers past or present) within all levels of the organisation, including management, staff and volunteers, and to foster a culture of inclusiveness and mutual respect within the diverse community of sex workers.
6. To lobby government to provide sex workers with legal avenues to work within any area of the Queensland sex work trade/industry as they choose (e.g., escort, in-house, agency, private/sole operator, co-operatives and/or street) without fear of arrest or prosecution for criminal offences related to sex work business activities.
7. To provide a legitimate voice for Queensland sex workers advocating for legal and other social policies to support sex workers' human, civil and workplace rights and access to remedies without discrimination, including programs and initiatives that aim to reduce discrimination and stigma against sex workers, past and present.
8. To support and liaise with national, state and regional sex worker rights groups in the development of networks, programs and objectives.
9. To build and foster constructive relationships with all stakeholders for the benefit of sex workers.

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First Name:_____ **Last Name:**_____

Email Address:_____

Phone number (optional):_____

Are you, or have you been, a sex worker in Queensland?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Are you an owner/receptionist/manager/driver of a sex industry business?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Do you identify as (optional) -

☐ Male

☐ Transgender

☐ Aboriginal

☐ Torres Strait Islander

☐ Asian

Would you like to join our private Facebook group and/or members email list? Emails include Ugly Mugs and other relevant info.

☐ Facebook group **Facebook ID** _____

☐ Email group

☐ Neither

I agree with the objectives of Respect Inc

Name:_____ **Signed:**_____ **Date:**_____

New members need to be nominated by an existing member and ratified at the next Management Committee meeting.

Nominated by:

Name:_____ **Signed:**_____

Date:_____ **Seconded by Secretary:**_____

Send completed form to: secretary@respectqld.org.au OR The Secretary, Respect Inc, 1/76 Wickham st, Fortitude Valley, 4006.

By signing this form you acknowledge that you support the objectives of Respect Inc. You can keep a copy of this form for your record.

Respect Inc holds Public Liability Insurance in the sum of \$10,000,000.