

ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

GUIDANCE AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Association of Educational Psychologists is the only professional association for educational psychologists who are employed in England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland.

In matters of dispute under all relevant legislation, this is the professional association which acts for educational psychologists. The Association represents educational psychologists directly on the Soulbury Committee, which negotiates salary and conditions of service for educational psychologists employed by Local Authorities in England and Wales. Since 1973 the Association has adopted a comprehensive Code of Professional Practice.

The Association is represented in many national organisations, charities via National Executive Committee members or ordinary members of the Association who have been invited to join their committees or governing bodies. The Association maintains contact with the Department for Education (DfE) on various issues. For example, the training, supply and demand for educational Psychologists. The Association is also invited to submit the views of educational psychologists to House of Commons Committees and to Departmental Working Parties.

Members who require legal advice and support on matters connected with their employment or their 'professional life' - e.g. in disciplinary procedures or Industrial Tribunals - can obtain this through the Association. In many cases, such advice and support will be via one of the Regional Representatives or the General Secretary. Where appropriate, the Association may instruct solicitors to provide further advice or to act on behalf of a member directly. The same firms of solicitors are also able to provide other personal legal services to members either free of charge or at competitive rates. For example damages, claims or injuries sustained in a motor accident, will and conveyancing .

All members receive a weekly mailing, which includes the Appointments Broadsheet (The 'Appointments Broadsheet' is used by most Local Authorities to advertise their vacancies for Educational Psychologists at all grades. It is well regarded because of its very wide circulation within the whole profession. The Appointments Broadsheet is only available to members of the AEP); and Circulars on professional and employment issues. Members are also able to use this mailing, free of charge, to circulate information e.g. about their special interests, courses etc. to all colleagues in the Association. Local Authority Representatives are often provided with supplementary information on major issues of local or national concern.

Members receive the Journal of the Association "Educational Psychology in Practice" four times a year, free of charge. This publishes papers primarily for information and in addition articles intended to provoke discussion on topics of professional interest. Short courses are arranged annually. They have been concerned with such topics as "Children's Services – Serving Children?", "Getting it Right for Every Child " and "Outcome Based Psychology". The Association is an affiliate organisation of the TUC and the benefits and services of TUC affiliation are available to AEP members.

Please read these notes before completing the form

The numbered points below correspond to those on the application form.

1	<p>Category of Membership - Please tick the box indicating membership category applied for.</p> <p>Full Membership - This category of membership is open only to fully qualified and currently practising Educational Psychologists who are registered with the Health Professions Council (HPC).</p> <p>Trainee Membership - Trainee membership is available to students who are following an approved course of post-graduate professional training in educational psychology.</p> <p>Affiliate Membership - This category of membership is for those who are qualified educational psychologists who are not currently practising or who are working outside the geographical regions covered by the Association.</p> <p>Retired Membership - Former full members of the Association who have retired from the profession are eligible to this category of membership.</p>
2	<p>Payment Method - Please tick the box indicating your method of payment.</p> <p>Cheque amount – initial subscriptions are calculated on a pro rata basis and you can find the appropriate amount due on page 2</p> <p>Direct debit – a mandate should be completed and the appropriate subscription. You will be notified in advance of your direct debit payments being collected.</p>
3	<p>Personal Details - This information is used to send you your weekly mailings and Journal. It is also important that we have this information for any ballot papers.</p>
4	<p>Qualifications - These qualifications are a requirement to practise or train as an educational psychologist.</p>
5	<p>Training as an Educational Psychologist - Depending upon whether you have completed your training or you are currently on a training course, please indicate which University you attended or are attending, the dates you attended or the dates you are attending and the date of confirmation of your award or expected confirmation of your award.</p>
6	<p>Employment Details - This information is essential to ensure you are included in any circulations that are relevant to you as an employee of a particular local authority such as balloting of members etc.</p>
7	<p>Registration with the Health Professions Council (HPC) - All educational psychologists are required to be registered with the HPC in order to practice. This is also a requirement of membership of the Association unless you are currently on an approved training course.</p>
8	<p>Other information</p> <p>It is helpful if you can indicate if you have previously been a member of the Association.</p> <p>The Association is also required to seek acceptance from other trade unions where a member is or has been a member of their organisation within the last 6 months.</p> <p>You MUST indicate which email address you would like your Association correspondence to be sent to.</p>
9	<p>Declaration</p> <p>Please sign to confirm the information supplied is accurate.</p>

2011 Annual Subscription Rates

Full	£195	1 month is £16.25
Affiliate	£114	1 month is £ 9.50
Trainee	£ 90	1 month is £ 7.50
Retired	£ 30	1 month is £ 2.50

Pro Rata Subscription Rates

The month your application will be submitted to the National Executive Committee	Full	Affiliate	Trainee**	Retired
January	£195.00	£114.00	£90.00	£30.00
February	£178.75	£104.50	£82.50	£27.50
March	£162.50	£95.00	£75.00	£25.00
April	£146.25	£85.50	£67.50	£22.50
May	£130.00	£76.00	£60.00	£20.00
June	£113.75	£66.50	£52.50	£17.50
July	£97.50	£57.00	£45.00	£15.00
August	£81.25	£47.50	£37.50	£12.50
September	£65.00	£38.00	£30.00	£10.00
October	£48.75	£28.50	£22.50	£7.50
November	£32.50	£19.00	£15.00	£5.00
December	£16.25	£9.50	£7.50	£2.50

** PLEASE NOTE that if you are a trainee joining in September, October, November or December of the 1st year of your training course you can pay the annual fee of £90 that year and this will be deemed as payment for the following year. This is only a concession for 1st year trainees. 2nd and 3rd year trainees pay the pro rata rate above.

Subscription payments are allowed as an essential professional expense for income tax purposes. Receipts will be issued on request if members wish to claim reimbursement from employers. Payment is by cheque payable to the 'Association of Educational Psychologists' or by direct debit annually or monthly. PLEASE NOTE: Subscription payments are non-refundable.

Please return the completed application form to:

AEP General Office, 4 The Riverside Centre Frankland Lane Durham DH1 5TA.

If you have any queries about the form please telephone 0191-384 9512.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

1. Category of Membership Required

Full Affiliate Trainee Retired

2. Payment Method (enclosed)

Cheque Amount Direct Debit

3. Personal Details

Title Forename(s)

Surname Date of Birth

Home Address

Postcode

Tel Fax

Email Mobile

4. Qualifications

Do you have:

An honours degree in psychology (or equivalent) acceptable to the British Psychological Society as giving the Graduate Basis for Registration (GBR) as a Chartered Psychologist? YES NO

A minimum of one year's full time experience of working with children and young people up to the age of 20? YES NO

5. Training as an Educational Psychologist

University Dates attended/attending

Date of confirmation or expected confirmation of your qualification

6. Employment Details

Employer

Address

Postcode

Tel Fax

Email

7. Registration with the Health Professions Council (HPC)

Are you registered with the HPC YES NO

If **yes**, please quote registration number

8. Other information

Have you previously been a member of the AEP? YES NO

Are you currently a member (or have been a member in the last six months) of any other trade union? YES NO

If **yes**, please give the name of the union concerned

Preferred email address for receipt of Association correspondence

9. Declaration

I confirm that the information given in this form is accurate.

Signature

Date

Information for Monitoring Only

Equal Opportunities

The Association monitors applications to help ensure our procedures provide equal opportunities and to encourage into the profession those groups currently under-represented in educational psychology.

The questions on this form are designed to assist in the monitoring. The form is separate from the main body of the application form and relates only to monitoring, not the application. It will be held separately and confidentially and will not be made available to the membership sub-committee.

We would be grateful therefore if you could complete and return it when you return your application form or separately if you prefer.

Category of membership applied for

Male Female Date of Birth

1. I would describe my race or cultural origin as (please tick one box only)

Asian or Asian British:		Mixed:	
Indian		White & Black Caribbean	
Pakistani		White & Black African	
Bangladeshi		White & Asian	
Other Asian background		Other mixed background	
Black or Black British:		White:	
Caribbean		British	
African		Irish	
Other Black background		Other white background	
Chinese		Other background (please specify):	

2. Other race or ethnic group (please describe below):

3. My age is:

16-19	<input type="checkbox"/>	20-29	<input type="checkbox"/>	30-39	<input type="checkbox"/>	40-49	<input type="checkbox"/>	50-59	<input type="checkbox"/>	60+	<input type="checkbox"/>
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4. Would you describe yourself as having a disability?

Yes No

If yes, are you registered disabled?

5. How would you describe your sexuality?

Heterosexual	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gay woman or lesbian	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gay man	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bisexual	<input type="checkbox"/>
I would rather not say	<input type="checkbox"/>		

