



A LETTER TO THE PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

Dear Prospective Member:

Greetings! Thank you for your interest in joining the Island FOOLS. We are pleased that you have shown the initiative to join us, your brother and sister firefighters, in an effort to promote the fraternal bonds of firefighting, participate in quality training, and preserving the traditions of our beloved Fire Service.

This Application Form is 2 pages long, and will help us on the Island FOOLS Executive Board get to know you a little better and to help expedite your entry into our chapter and into the FOOLS International as well. Please fill out all information as completely and as legibly as possible. We also charge a total of \$50.00 in dues for a new member, \$40.00 goes to us to help defray the cost of producing T-Shirts, putting on training and clerical items while the remaining \$10.00 is to cover the cost of our annual fees to FOOLS International.

After the Executive Board has reviewed your application we will be in contact with you, so please make sure that your E-mail address and Phone Number are accurate.

If you have any questions or concerns about this form, or dues please contact our Membership Trustee at the contact information on the last page of this packet.

We look forward to receiving your application!

Fraternally,

The Island FOOLS Executive Board



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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Please Print All Information Clearly

Member Information

Name / Rank:	
Fire Department:	
Home Mailing Address: (Include Street, Apt #, City, State and ZIP Code)	
E-mail Address:	_____ @ _____
Telephone Numbers:	HOME: (_____) _____ --- _____ CELL: (_____) _____ --- _____

T-Shirt Size: _____

Please make sure to include the annual dues when you mail in this form! Dues are set at \$40.00 payable to Island FOOLS, as well as \$10.00 payable to FOOLS International.



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QUESTIONS

Please answer the questions below to the best of your ability.

If you require additional space, please feel free to attach a separate sheet of paper.

1. How did you hear about FOOLS International and the Island FOOLS chapter?

2. Have you read the By-Laws for both FOOLS International and the Island FOOLS? _____ Yes _____ No If "No", please explain:

3. Do you agree with the mission of the FOOLS? _____ Yes _____ No If "No," please explain: _____

4. Please explain why you wish to join the Island FOOLS:

5. Do you have any questions of us, the Island FOOLS E-Board? If so, please write them here: _____

Did you enclose your Dues? Please make sure that you include \$50.00 for the costs of membership when you send in this form. \$40.00 payable to Island FOOLS and \$10.00 payable to FOOLS International.



A LETTER FROM THE MEMBERSHIP TRUSTEE

My brother/sister firefighter:

Thank you for filling out your application to join us in the Island FOOLS. Now that the task of filling out the paperwork is completed, I request that you send the two pages of the application form to me at the address I have listed below my signature. In addition to this, please make sure that you include the following: \$40.00 cash or check payable to the Island FOOLS to account for your annual membership dues and for the cost of your T-Shirt; as well as \$10.00 cash or a check payable to FOOLS International to cover their costs for overhead and to generate your FOOLS ID Card.

I speak for the entire Executive Board when I say that we greatly appreciate your dedication to the growth and development of our organization, and that we value your commitment to becoming a better firefighter. We recognize that in today's world, where training budgets are tight, that not everyone can afford to attend classes to obtain certifications. While we recognize that in some cases these classes have no alternative, we are dedicated to sharing with all of our members the knowledge, skills, and abilities that we have developed over the course of our careers as firefighters. To that end, we encourage you to attend our quarterly meetings where we will have training that is put on by our members. To that end, we remain open to your requests for training types and also welcome you to share with all of us any sort of training that you wish to put on. We on the Executive Board are committed to helping our members put on these training events and if in any way we can assist you, please feel free to contact me and we will do our best to make your training a success.

Our open membership meetings are held once a quarter at various places throughout the Islands of the Northern Puget Sound. Be sure to check the website at www.islandfools.com for updates on meeting times and locations. Also, while at the website, please join the Washington State FOOLS Forum. The Forum is open to all FOOLS, and serves as a great resource to help us help one another.

Again, thank you for taking the time and interest in joining the Island FOOLS.

Fraternally,

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