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OA Group Registration/Change Form

Skip the Wait!

Submit your new group registration or changes on the OA website in minutes at <https://oa.org/groupsservice-bodies/meeting-changes/>.

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Instructions

Please print clearly with dark ink. Keep one copy for your records; make an additional copy for your intergroup/service board if necessary. The form is also available on OA's website at <https://oa.org/groupsservice-bodies/groups/secretary-materials/>. All handwritten group registrations or changes are made in the order in which they are received. Please allow 3 weeks for processing. Online submissions will be posted within 1 week.

Secretary Information: Please provide the secretary's full name and address which is published **ONLY** within the Fellowship and will not appear online. The WSO needs this information to mail vital OA correspondence to registered meetings. When viewing meeting information on the Internet, the secretary's information will be kept private by substituting asterisks (*) in the place of some of the information.

Use this form or the online version for all future changes to your group's information. All new group registrations and changes **MUST** be submitted in writing; phone calls will not be accepted. If you have questions about filling out this form, please contact the WSO Group Registration Coordinator.

Definitions

According to the Traditions, bylaws, and policies, the only requirement for OA membership is the desire to stop eating compulsively.

Open Meeting: Open to OA members and non-OA visitors. All meetings are considered open unless otherwise indicated.

Closed Meeting: Restricted to those who desire to stop eating compulsively. This includes newcomers. (OA members and others who think they may have a problem with food).

Special Focus (optional): Composed of individuals who feel they can more readily identify with fellow OAers with similar attributes.

Special Topic (optional): Meetings which have chosen a specific topic or format.

Service Body: An intergroup, national service board, language service board, or virtual service board which supports the OA meetings affiliated with it. It may provide services that will help your existing members and attract new members to your meeting.

How to affiliate with an intergroup or service board: Choose the one nearest your location and contact the intergroup/service board to advise them of your group's desire to affiliate. Be sure to let the WSO know. To locate an intergroup/service board in your area, go to <https://oa.org/find-a-meeting/?type=3>.

By submitting this form to the WSO, your group is agreeing to comply with Tradition Three and OA Bylaws, Subpart B, Article V as stated below.

Tradition Three: The only requirement for OA membership is a desire to stop eating compulsively.

OA, Inc. Bylaws, Subpart B, Article V – Overeaters Anonymous Groups

Section 1 – Definition

These points shall define an Overeaters Anonymous group:

- 1) As a group, they meet to practice the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions of Overeaters Anonymous, guided by the Twelve Concepts of OA Service.
- 2) All who have the desire to stop eating compulsively are welcome in the group.
- 3) No member is required to practice any actions in order to remain a member or to have a voice (share at a meeting).
- 4) As a group, they have no affiliation other than Overeaters Anonymous.
- 5) It has affiliated as an Overeaters Anonymous group by registering with the World Service Office.

Section 2 – Composition

- a) A group may be formed, as set forth in Article V, Section 1, by two or more persons meeting together, either 1) in the same physical location (land-based); 2) through some form of electronic device (virtual); or 3) both.

Please read the instructions and definitions on the reverse before completing this form. Contact the WSO with any questions. *REQUIRED INFORMATION.

Section A - Group

Group Number (required number unless this is a new group) _____
 New Group Change Information Cancel Group

Section B – Submitted By

First Name* _____ Last Name* _____
Phone Number* _____ Email Address _____
Effective Date for Changes* _____

Section C – Meeting Location

Meeting Place* _____
Meeting Address* (street or PO box) _____
Meeting Address 2 (ex. suite #, floor #, apt. #) _____
City* _____ State/Province* _____
Country* _____ Postal Code* _____
Notes: _____

Section D – Meeting Contact

Important Note: If you are the contact for your meeting, ONLY your first name and phone number will be listed on the website. Please select another contact person if you do not want to be listed online. Every meeting MUST have a contact person in order for registration to be complete.
First Name Only* _____ Telephone (country code and number)* _____
Email Address _____

Section E – Meeting Details

Please read the instructions and definitions on the reverse before completing this form. Contact the WSO with questions. All meetings are considered “open” unless otherwise noted.
Meeting Day* _____ Meeting Time* AM Open
 PM Closed
Language spoken at meeting* _____ Avg Attendance (optional) _____

OPTIONAL (See definition)

Special Focus (choose only one)

100 Pounders Black Lesbian Women’s
 Anorexia/Bulimia GLBT Men Anorexia/Bulimia
 Bariatric Surgery Health Issues Women Young Persons

Special Topic (choose no more than 2)

11th Step Literature Study Relapse/12th Step Tools
 90 Day Maintenance Within Topic
 AA 12/12 Meditation Seeking Spiritual Varies
 Ask-It Basket New Beginnings Path Voices of
 Big Book Newcomer Speaker Recovery
 Dignity of Choice OA H.O.W. Speaker/Discussion Workbook
 For Today OA II/OA III Spirituality Study
 Lifeline OA Steps and/or Teen Friendly Writing
 Lifeline Sampler Traditions The Promises

Section F – Intergroup/Service Board Information

This group is affiliated with the following service body _____
Region _____ IG/SB URL _____
 New Change Group chooses to be unaffiliated
To locate an intergroup/service board, go to <https://oa.org/find-a-meeting/?type=3>.

Section G – Secretary Permanent Mailing Address

Please Note: Full names and addresses are published ONLY within the Fellowship and will not appear online. The WSO needs this information to mail vital OA correspondence to registered meetings. When viewing meeting information on the Internet, the secretary’s information will be kept private by substituting asterisks () in the place of some of the information.*

Full Name* _____
Address* _____
Address 2 _____
City* _____ State/Province* _____
Country* _____ Postal Code* _____
Phone Number* _____ Email Address _____
First Name (if email address is other than the secretary’s) _____