



British Association of International Mountain Leaders



Membership Application or Upgrade Form 2012

This form is for:

- **New members** who wish to join BAIML (at any level) for the first time
- **Current members who wish to upgrade** their BAIML membership level from Affiliate to Aspirant or Full, or from Aspirant to Full
- **Current inactive members**, who wish to become active either as an Aspirant or Full member
- **Lapsed members** who wish to rejoin BAIML.

If you paid membership fees in 2011, and wish to renew at the same or at a lower level then you should use the BAIML Membership Renewal Form 2012.

First of all, you need to decide which **membership level** is appropriate for your circumstances. In brief:

- **Full** membership is only open to an individual who has passed all components of the IML award administered by MLT in the UK, or the equivalent award scheme in another UIMLA member country.
- **Aspirant** (trainee) membership is open to anyone who has completed IML summer training in the UK.
- **Affiliate** membership is open to those who have registered for the IML scheme administered by MLT. Full members (carnet holders) of other UIMLA member associations may also be BAIML Affiliates.
- **Retired** membership is open to past full members only who are permanently retired.

Full and Aspirant members can be **active**, in which case they must have appropriate insurance, first aid currency (and CPD currency), or **inactive**, a temporary state during which they cannot practice so do not need insurance etc. Full details can be found in the BAIML Membership Policy available from the members' area of the BAIML website www.baiml.org or from the BAIML Office on 01690 720272 or baiml.office@baiml.org to whom all enquiries should be directed.

All applicants need to complete Parts 1, 2, 4 and 6. In addition, applicants for **full membership** need to complete Part 3, and applicants for **active membership** need to complete Part 5. We suggest that you print it out, complete it and sign it, and then you can either scan and e-mail it to the BAIML Office or send it by post.

Part 1 – BAIML Membership – all applicants are requested to complete this section as fully as possible

I wish to apply for membership of the British Association of International Mountain Leaders.

Surname:	First name:
Address:	
Post Town:	
County:	Post Code:
Country:	Email:
Telephone (Home):	Telephone (Mobile):
MLT Candidate ID (if registered):	Current/Past BAIML Carnet No:
Current/Previous Level of Membership:	
Date when last a member (lapsed members only):	

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Part 2 – Membership Level – please complete this section

The membership year runs from 1 January to 31 December each year. If you have not paid any subscription fees already for 2012, you can apply for a full year rate, or for a half year rate (available from 1 July to 31 December) or a quarter year rate (available from 1 October to 31 December). If you are a new registrant for the IML scheme applying for Affiliate for the first time in 2012, there is no charge. *If you are applying as an Affiliate, and are a member of another UIMLA Association, you must provide a copy of your current Carnet.*

Please select:	Full year rate:	Tick:	Half-year rate:	Tick:	Quarter-year rate:	Tick:
Full Active:	£80		£50		£35	
Full Inactive:	£30		£25		£20	
Aspirant Active:	£30		£25		£20	
Aspirant Inactive:	£30		£25		£20	
Affiliate (New Registrant):	£0		£0		£0	
Affiliate (UIMLA Member):	£30		£25		£20	
Retired:	£30		£25		£20	

If you *have already paid subscription fees for 2012* and you wish to **upgrade**, the fees are as follows:

Please select:	Flat rate:	Tick:	Please select:	Flat rate:	Tick:
Affiliate to Aspirant Active:	£5		Full Inactive to Full Active:	£55	
Affiliate to Aspirant Inactive:	£5		Aspirant Inactive to Aspirant Active:	£5	
Affiliate to Full Active:	£55		Aspirant (Any) to Full Active:	£55	
Affiliate to Full Inactive:	£5		Aspirant (Any) to Full Inactive:	£5	
Any to Retired:	£5				

Part 3 – Applications for Full Membership – if you are applying for any Full Membership, for whatever reason, you must complete this section – but please read the following paragraph very carefully!

You need to demonstrate both that you hold the IML Award and that it is current. If you completed the IML Award administered by MLT in the UK, then we can verify this if you have given us your MLT Candidate ID. In all other cases, you will need to send us a copy of your IML Pass Page/Certificate, a copy of your carnet issued by another UIMLA member, or a copy of the certificate(s) verifying your qualification together with a translation if not in English. If you qualified less than 12 months ago, or if you are currently a Full Inactive member, and your CPD is up-to-date (a minimum of 4 CPD Credits over a 4-year rolling period) this is all that is required.

HOWEVER, if you qualified more than 12 months ago, or your membership has lapsed (irrespective of what membership you previously held), or your qualification and experience is out-of-date, then you must provide a full statement of training, CPD and experience to ensure that you meet the requirements of the current IML Award. Further guidance for this is given in Part 7 of this form below.

Everyone enter the date that you qualified as an IML:	Tick:
Either: I qualified as an IML with MLT in the UK, please verify using the MLT database:	
Or: I enclose a copy of my IML qualification	
Or: I am currently a Full Inactive member (<i>or was in 2011</i>) and my CPD is current:	
I am lapsed/qualified over a year ago: I enclose/have already submitted (delete as appropriate) a Statement of Training, CPD and Experience:	

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Part 4 – Payment – please complete this section

Membership or upgrade fee (from Part 2):	£
Credit charge fee add £1.70 (there is no charge for debit cards) ²	£
Total payment due:	£
Either: I enclose a cheque for the membership fee	
Or: I will pay by Credit/Debit Card and will telephone the BAIML office with details ²	

Part 5 – Declaration – complete this section if applying as FULL ACTIVE or ASPIRANT ACTIVE member

By signing this application form, you agree to the following statements:

I confirm that I hold appropriate insurance cover as indicated below. Should that insurance cover lapse, I understand that my membership of the Association may be suspended.

Please give details of the insurance cover that you hold:	Yes/No
BAIML Civil Liability Protection Scheme ³ :	
My personal business, named: Insurance company:	
My employer, named: Insurance company:	
AMI Insurance Scheme (and I am aware of the limitations of cover provided by this policy such as geographical working area)	
Other (please give details):	

It is your responsibility as an individual member to ensure that professional indemnity and public liability insurance cover is in place that is wholly suitable for the activities you undertake and for the geographic areas in which you operate⁴. Should that insurance cover lapse, membership of the Association may be suspended.

I hold a current first aid certificate which is appropriate for the remit of an International Mountain Leader.

I have read the BAIML Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults: Framework Document³ and agree to abide by its contents.

I am aware of the requirements of the BAIML CPD Policy³ to maintain 4 CPD Credits over a 4-year rolling period of membership and understand that this may be periodically verified on a random basis.

Part 6 – Signature – please complete this section

Name:	Carnet No (if known):
Signed:	Date:

Notes:

¹ Please note that Mountain Leader Training will appear on your credit/debit card statement for this transaction.

² For security reasons BAIML do not keep card details; please call the BAIML office 01690 720272. We would prefer if members contacted the office **after** they have sent in their forms, so that we have a chance to check if everything is OK before we take payment.

³ Available on the BAIML website, or from the BAIML Office on request.

⁴ BAIML insurers recommend that liability limits should be for £5 million or greater to ensure adequate protection against increasing court awards.

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Part 7 – Guidance for Applicants Requiring to Submit a Statement of Training, CPD and Experience

To become a full member of BAIML you must apply within 12 months of completion of the IML award. Those who apply for full membership after this period, or have allowed their membership to lapse for more than 12 months, or wish to upgrade from inactive membership without current CPD, will be required to submit a statement of training, CPD and experience in support of their application. In addition, those who have not previously held full membership must submit a copy of their EML or IML pass certificate (or equivalent) if their award cannot be verified using the MLT database.

The experience and/or CPD/training documented in the submission must reflect the syllabus and remit of the **current** IML Award as defined by MLT. The most up-to-date information can be found in the latest edition of the IML Handbook available from the MLTUK website at www.mltuk.org/iml.php - a copy of this can be supplied on request. Recently the IML has changed quite significantly, especially since the original EML scheme. Most important changes are in the winter component of the award which now includes, amongst many other elements, personal snowshoeing skills, teaching of snowshoeing together with snowpack and avalanche risk analysis in winter environments outside the UK. There are substantial elements of the IML award not covered by the UK ML(S), ML(W), MIA or MIC awards. Everything covered by the current IML Award is considered to be core. In addition, continuing professional development (CPD) is a mandatory pre-requirement for the issue of a carnet.

Applicants are advised to study the IML handbook then, on a single side of A4, summarise the mountaineering awards they hold, all formal mountaineering training, together with relevant CPD and experience focusing particularly over the past 4 years. The CPD should include appropriate “informal” CPD (examples are included in the BAIML CPD policy document which is available on request). It is especially important to highlight recent experience of leading, particularly outside the UK, both in summer and winter conditions. It should be described in sufficient detail so that it can be clearly related to the role of an IML; if an applicant’s focus has been, for example, on rock climbing, that’s not so relevant, whereas navigation, movement on steep ground, ML rope-work and snow-shoeing clearly is relevant whenever and wherever it is carried out. An applicant’s submission should not go beyond one side of A4.

The submission will be considered by 2 directors of BAIML and a recommendation will be made to the next scheduled meeting of the Executive Board as to whether the applicant should be accepted for admission as a Full Member. If the applicant has not held a valid full carnet for more than 24 months then the Executive Board may require the candidate to undertake a practical assessment covering the skill and knowledge requirements of an IML as defined by UIMLA. The need to undertake a practical assessment would depend somewhat on the content of the submission and is often not necessary. Full membership may also be offered conditionally on the completion of specified CPD within a stated timescale.

Full details of the procedure are detailed in the BAIML Membership policy document, which is available on request. Although the process may appear daunting, it usually flows smoothly if a comprehensive submission has been prepared. Clearly BAIML encourages all potential members to apply but, to become a full member of a professional organisation and hold an IML carnet it is necessary for all candidates to demonstrate appropriate and current competencies. If applicants have further questions, they should contact the BAIML Director responsible for membership whose contact details can be obtained via the BAIML Office.