



Associate membership

*For Outdoor Equipment Retailers, Manufacturers,
Distributors, Outdoor Centres, Local Authorities,
Colleges, Youth Organisations, Scout & Guide Groups,
Schools, Mountain Rescue Teams, Climbing Walls,
Holiday Organisers*

Working for and representing hillwalking, climbing and alpinism

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Mountaineering Ireland is the representative body for hill walkers and climbers in Ireland. It is recognised as the NGB (National Governing Body) for mountaineering by both the Irish Sports Council (ISC) and Sport Northern Ireland (SNI). Mountaineering includes hill walking, rock climbing, rambling, bouldering and alpinism. We currently have some 9,600 members, comprising over 130 clubs and 1,300 individual members.

The key aims of Mountaineering Ireland are to:

- Represent the interests of walkers and climbers
- Improve and secure access to the Irish hills and crags
- Promote mountain training programmes and qualifications
- Encourage responsible and sustainable use of the mountain environment
- Support members, and especially young people, in skills development
- Provide appropriate services to members

By getting involved with Mountaineering Ireland, you will be investing in the wide-ranging work we undertake for hill walkers, climbers and mountaineers in Ireland. Work on improving access to the countryside; protecting upland habitats and wildlife; promoting mountain safety, encouraging newcomers and young people within the sport – and much more.

Mountaineering Ireland exists for its members. Any surplus made from the sale of services is invested back into our work – work that ultimately helps protect your interests in hill walking, climbing, and the outdoor environment.

By becoming part of Mountaineering Ireland not only are you supporting our vital access and conservation work and other important programmes such as training and youth development, but you will also receive a great range of benefits and discounts.

Benefits of Associate Membership of Mountaineering Ireland

You will receive the specially designed **Mountaineering Ireland Associate Member logo** and **logo sticker** to use in your own publicity and promotional material, so everyone can see at a glance that you are an Associate Member of Mountaineering Ireland.

Exclusive insert opportunities in the *Irish Mountain Log* and an enhanced profile within our web site and other membership literature. Mountaineering Ireland e-mails its members with information in our monthly e-zine *Mountaineering Matters* and 9,500+ copies of the *Irish Mountain Log* are posted to members four times a year.

Annual listing with your company logo in the *Irish Mountain Log Magazine* which is mailed to Mountaineering Ireland members four times a year.

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Exclusive Support and Membership Options

You will receive advance notification of Mountaineering Ireland events with exclusive sponsorship and promotional opportunities. This gives you the opportunity to support or sponsor a wide variety of Mountaineering Ireland events and activities, such as e-zines, membership cards, climbing competitions, and Mountaineering Ireland's lecture series.

Associate Member organisations benefits

- Your name and logo will appear on in the specially created Mountaineering Ireland Associate Member section of Mountaineering Ireland's web site and can include a hyperlink to your own website.
- You can advertise your events on Mountaineering Ireland's Associate Member homepage.
- You can access Mountaineering Ireland's courses and events, at reduced rates.

Membership benefits for ten employees or volunteers*

Ten employees or volunteers can enjoy the great range of personal benefits of Mountaineering Ireland membership, including discounts on publications, access to BMC travel & activity insurance and Mountaineering Ireland information service. Each person will receive a personalised Mountaineering Ireland membership card and in addition, Mountaineering Ireland Associate Members are entitled to purchase travel & activity insurance and enjoy other member benefits (See www.mountaineering.ie for a full list of current discounts). You will receive up to ten copies of the Irish Mountain Log as part of the package and individual Associate membership cards for your nominated employees or volunteers. Additional associate memberships are charged at €20.00 per person per annum over the initial 10 people. Each person will receive an Mountaineering Ireland affiliate membership card.

Discounts on purchases of Mountaineering Ireland publications and CD's / DVD's / videos – Mountaineering Ireland sells an extensive collection of skills and information publications for hill walking, mountaineering and trekking, which are offered free or at special discount prices to members.

As an Associate Member of Mountaineering Ireland you will also receive: Four editions of *Irish Mountain Log Magazine* per year. Mountaineering Ireland Associate leaflet dispensers and a selection of Mountaineering Ireland material suited to your interests and requirements and the monthly MCI e-zine *Mountaineering Matters*.

* Please note that Associate Members, or ten nominated staff, do not receive individual Personal Accident insurance, Civil Liability insurance or voting rights at the AGM.

Associate Organisation Membership Fees 2009 (per annum)

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| Republic of Ireland organisations | €350 |
| <i>Additional associate memberships over initial 10 members</i> | €15 per person |
| Northern Ireland organisations | £260 |
| <i>Additional associate memberships over initial 10 members</i> | £11 per person |

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Mountaineering Ireland Associate Organisation Application Form

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| Name of Organisation | |
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| Name of Representative / Company Secretary | |
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| Name of the person to be admitted to membership of the Mountaineering Ireland as the representative of your organisation (normally the Chairman or Secretary) if not a Limited Company. | |
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| Address | |
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| Telephone | Email |
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| Organisation's activities | |
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| Please tick appropriate category | |
| Retailer / Distributor | Manufacturer |
| Climbing Wall | School / College / University |
| Mountain Rescue Team | Youth organisation |
| Outdoor Activity / Training / Education Centre | Scout / Guide Group |
| Holiday / Expedition Organiser | Other (Specify) |

On receipt of a successful application you will receive by email with an excel spreadsheet that you should complete with details of the nominated employees or volunteers.

Signed: *(by the Representative)* _____ **Date:** _____

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