

Edmonton Gentlemen's Dinner Club

Membership Application, Code of Conduct and Release

I. Membership Application

Name: Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Initial: _____
Home: Street: _____
City/Town: _____ Prov: _____ P Code: _____
Residence Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Email Address: _____
Spouse's Name: _____ Birthday _____
Business: Occupation/Title: _____
Company: _____
Proposing Member: _____
Jacket Size: _____

II. CLUB RULES

Edmonton Gentlemen's Dinner Club (proposed Les Marmitons Edmonton Chapter nominee) (the "Club") is a private gastronomic and social club whose members are exclusively males dedicated to advancing the knowledge and experience of fine foods and wines among its members, and to further fellowship among the members.

To ensure the success of the club's activities, the club requires that all members understand and agree to the following rules and regulations:

Behaviour

1. The members must refrain from participating in any reprehensible behaviour, such as: excessive drinking of alcohol, loud or disturbing noise-making, displaying a lack of respect towards other members or guests.

Attendance

2. It is expected that members will make all reasonable efforts to attend all meetings. One of the primary purposes of the Club is to further fellowship among the members, a matter which requires regular attendance. It is recognized, however, that from time to time circumstances arise that will result in a member having to miss a meeting. Meeting absences which are persistent, however, shall not be acceptable. As a result, any member who fails to attend less than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the cooking meetings in any two year period (generally 12 of 16 cooking meetings), shall have their membership reviewed by the Board, and, absent exceptional reasons for such absences, shall not be entitled to renew their membership upon the conclusion of the then ensuing year.

Uniform and cooking utensils

3. The members and their guests must wear clean attire.
4. The members must wear their club jackets and Marmitons toque during the activity (once issued).
5. The guests must wear the aprons and hats provided by the club when in the kitchens.
6. The members are permitted to use their personal cooking utensils.

Reservation policy

7. It is the responsibility of each member to understand and respect our reservation policy.
8. **It shall be presumed that all Members shall be attend each meeting and thus shall, unless such Member confirms to the Secretary not less than seven days (not counting the meeting date) prior to the meeting date, shall be charged his pro rate cost of such meeting. Thus, way of example, if a meeting is scheduled for May 22nd, a Member must cancel no later than May 15th to avoid being charged the meeting fee.**
9. **Further, each Member shall be responsible for the meeting fee of any guest whose attendance at a meeting has been confirmed by the Secretary, unless subsequent to the date of the guest cancellation, a substitute guest attends the meeting.**
10. Members wishing to invite a guest must advise the Secretary of same in writing. The Secretary confirm the number of Members attending each meeting one week prior to the meeting date and inform the President of same, and, if numbers permit, shall inform those members who wish to invite guests whether or not there is capacity. Guests shall be invited on a first come first serve basis. Upon being so invited, the Member shall confirm to the Secretary within two days whether or not the guest shall attend.
11. The Secretary shall confirm final attendance numbers to the President and to the Chair, Chef, within five days of each meeting. To ensure that all participants fully enjoy the Les Marmitons experience, the target number of attendees per meeting is 16, and maximum number of people allowed in the kitchen for cooking is presently set at 18, but may be varied by the Board.
12. Members must reserve using the invitation system approved from time to time by the Board,

The consumption of alcohol

13. Excessive drinking is not permitted and will not be tolerated. The monitoring of alcohol consumption is the responsibility of the individual member or guest, and each person shall be solely responsible for ensuring they properly manage their consumption of alcohol. Members shall in addition be responsible for ensuring that their guests adhere to these requirements. Each member and guest must also ensure that they have alternative transportation arrangements, such as a taxi, if they would be departing an activity in an impaired condition.
14. The Sommelier is responsible for the choosing of the wines and the uncorking of same at all meetings.
15. During the course of the activity, members and their guests are strictly forbidden from bringing into the kitchen or serving any alcohol that was not selected for the activity.
16. Should a member or guest not heed the previous paragraph, they will be asked to leave and, depending on the severity of the infraction, may be expelled from the chapter on a permanent basis. Anyone who is expelled will not be eligible for a reimbursement.

Kitchen cleanliness

17. To ensure a clean environment in the kitchen, all members of each team are expected to follow all rules of the cooking venue and to assist with any necessary or requested clean up.

Payments, charges and Agreement

18. Fees shall be set from time to time by the Board. Current fees are as set forth in the annual budget. All fees are subject to modification without notice.
19. Each Member shall be obliged to provide to the Treasurer four pre dated cheques representing the annual fee and anticipated meal costs for the year, in advance. The treasurer shall cash each cheque, the balance to be maintained by the Treasurer in a Member's account against which shall be charged all the member's pro rata membership fees and assessments ie annual fees and meeting fees, an estimate of which is set forth below. Any credit balance in a member's account at year end shall be reimbursed to the member at year end.
20. All cheques shall be provided to the Treasurer by 1 September of each year.
21. Estimated fees are as set forth below.

Estimated Fees – see budget for update – subject to change without notice

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| ▪ One time Induction fees (jacket, toque, apron, medal) : | \$125 |
| ▪ Annual dues : | \$300 -350 |
| ▪ Monthly event – member: | \$100 |

- NSF fee

\$50

22. It shall be a requirement of Membership that each Member sign the Agreement and release below.

III. Agreement and Release

The undersigned, in consideration of being admitted into membership in the Club, hereby acknowledges and agrees as follows:

1. I have read and agree to abide by the above rules and any other rules duly passed by the Board and agree to pay all amounts owing promptly as and when due.
2. I hereby forever release each of the Club, its members and guests, Sorrentino's and its employees, officers and directors, and each and every agent, representative, or assign of each of the aforesaid, from and against any loss, damage, expense, claim or liability of any nature or kind whatsoever arising from, connected with, or in respect to my participation from time to time in any Club activity, and I agree that this release will be binding upon me and my respective heirs, administrators, executors and assigns.

Member Name:

Date:

Witness Name:

Date: