

Membership

The applicant company shall fulfil the qualifications for membership as specified from time to time by the respective Section's General Assembly. Applications for membership shall be made in writing and considered by the respective Section Board. The section's board may, if there are special reasons, grant exemption from the current qualification regulations. The section's board can also exclude a member who does not comply with the rules and decisions made.

Qualification rules, Agriculture section

Full member

- Companies that are manufacturers or have agreements with manufacturers or importers for the sale on the Swedish market, of new machinery intended for agriculture, forestry or farming or equipment for these can be accepted as full members.
- The company must have a registered company and be registered in Sweden for VAT.

Associated member

- Companies that are not registered for VAT in Sweden but have an agreement to be a supplier to an existing member company, of new machinery intended for agriculture, forestry or farming or equipment for these, can be accepted as an associated member.
- Companies that have an agreement to be a subcontractor of machinery to an existing member company can also be accepted as associate members.

For the purposes of this document, equipment' means, for example, interchangeable devices or tools which are assembled with agricultural, forestry or farming machinery to modify its function or to give it a new function, as well as equipment for farm mechanisation.

General terms and conditions

The company shall:

- have been engaged in activities eligible for membership for at least two completed and approved financial years
- have orderly accounting records and consistently maintained accounts
- have a balance sheet that is established and shows a solid position.
- have taken out business/liability insurance
- have sufficient working capital in relation to the business. If the business is run in a form other than a limited company, there must be working capital of at least the size prescribed for limited companies.
- have appropriate premises where good order must prevail. The workshop (own or service partners) must have the necessary workshop equipment and service literature.
- be able to account for how it takes responsibility for its products throughout the product lifecycle.

Industry knowledge, business ethics

- The undertaking must be under professional management and have staff suitably qualified for the activity.
- The undertaking and/or the manager responsible shall not engage in or have engaged in business practices that are in any way detrimental to the pursuit of sound professional practice.
- Business activities must be characterised by honesty and integrity and conducted in such a way as to maintain a fair and equitable business balance between the parties concerned.
- It is the duty of the management to know and comply with the laws and regulations that the business requires.

Membership requirements

Member companies shall:

- pay the membership fees set by the General Assembly
- report to the Section's product statistics. Reporting companies have the right to access statistics. Member companies whose products are not included in the statistics have the right to subscribe to the Section's statistics for a fee set by the General Meeting.
- resolve misunderstandings and disputes with speed and care
- apply the industry's terms of delivery in force from time to time
- follow the recommendations of the Complaints Council set up by the industry.
- comply with the association's statutes, qualification regulations and decisions, and contribute to the realisation of the association's objectives.
- observe good business practice in their activities and act responsibly so that both their own company and the industry as a whole gain respect and reputation.

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