

The applicant company shall fulfil the qualifications for membership as specified from time to time by the General Assembly of the respective Section. 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 may also exclude a member who does not comply with the rules and decisions made.

## Qualification rules, Forestry machinery section

### Membership

- Membership is open to companies that are manufacturers or have agreements with manufacturers for sales on the Swedish market, of brand new forestry machinery.
- The majority of the company's turnover must consist of sales of brand new forestry machinery.
- In this document, forestry machinery means harvesters and/or forwarders for professional use.

### General terms and conditions

#### The company shall:

- have a registered company and be registered for VAT in Sweden
- have carried out activities that qualify for membership for at least two completed and approved financial years
- have organised bookkeeping and consistently kept 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 management to be aware of and comply with the laws and regulations that govern their activities.

### 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 Association 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.