

Membership Affiliation: Pilots Association for the Bay & River Delaware

AUTHORIZATION AND APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

DISTRICT NO. 1-PCD, M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) of the NATIONAL MARINE ENGINEERS' BENEFICIAL ASSOCIATION (AFL-CIO)

I hereby apply for membership in District No. 1-PCD, M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO).

I do hereby authorize and designate the union, District No. 1-PCD, M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) as my sole collective bargaining representative to represent me and, on my behalf, to negotiate and conclude all agreements as to wages, hours of labor, and other employment conditions.

It is understood that the Union has the absolute right to reject or terminate this Application at any time prior to my admission as a member into the Union. I also understand that in the event I voluntarily terminate my applicant status or I am dropped from applicant status due to non-payment of initiation or service fees, I shall not be entitled to any refund or reimbursement of such initiation or service fees.

I understand and agree that it shall be exclusively my obligation to notify the Union in writing when I have fulfilled the requirements for membership as set forth in the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Union, and any applicable Application Information Fact Sheet available upon request.

Pending my admission as a member into the Union, I shall be obligated to pay to the Union a service fee equal to what is being paid by members of their dues and I shall be entitled to exercise and enjoy only such rights and privileges (including shipping rights) as may be accorded to me under the outstanding Constitution, By-Laws, Rules, Regulations of the Union, and any applicable Application Information Fact Sheet.

It is further understood and agreed that the processing of my application for membership is subject to and conditioned upon the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Union and any applicable Application Information Fact Sheet covering such subject.

(Print Name of Applicant)	
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(Signature of Applicant)	(Date)

M.E.B.A. MEMBER & APPLICANT DATA SHEET

Name:	3/0,	Gender (M/F):	
(Last)	(First) BENEFIC (M.I)		
(Social Security Numbe	r)	(Home Phone Number)	
(E-mail address)		(Cell Phone Number)	
Address of Record:			
(Street Address)	(City, St	ate) (Zip)	
Mailing Address: (If same as ad	dress of Record put "same")		
(Street Address)	(City, S	tate) (Zip)	
Document Information:			
	(Current MMC Endorsements)		_
(Endorsements continued)	(Reference Number)	(MMC Expiration)	
(TWIC Number)		(TWIC Expiration)	
(Passport Number)		(Passport Expiration)	
Next of Kin:			
(Name: Last, First)		(Relationship)	_
(Contact 2	Address)	(Phone Number)	
Personal Information:			
(Birth Date)	(Birthplace: City/State/Countr	y) (Date Naturalized, City)	
(Height)	(Weight)	(Eye Color) (Hair Color)
(Status: Single, Married, Divorced)	(Name of Spouse)	(Number of Dependent	 s)

I. PRIOR MEMBERSHIP Have you ever previously made application for M.E.B.A. membership? If Yes, Where: _____ When:____ (Date of Application) __Dropped __ Withdrawn Prior Membership __ Rejected Have you ever been found guilty of charges or suspended from the shipping or night list in this Union? _____. If Yes, explain reason: _____ II. PRESENT/PRIOR EMPLOYMENT: Have you ever been employed as a licensed marine officer on U.S. flag vessels not working under a contract to District No. 1 – PCD, MEBA? (Yes or No) If **Yes**, supply information covering ALL such employment (use separate sheet if necessary): COMPANY/UNION **SHIP RATING FROM** TO List all Employment in the last three (3) years not listed above (use separate sheet if necessary) **COMPANY** CITY/STATE **POSITION FROM** TO III. EDUCATION Are you a Maritime Academy graduate? ___ (Yes or No) (Graduation Date) (Academy) (If no, then what is the Highest Level of Education for which you have received a diploma?) (Name of School; City, State and Year Graduated) **IV. UNION AFFILIATIONS** (Check here if none ____) Present Union Affiliations (Refer to Obligation for other licensed marine officers' organizations): Name Status (Member, Applicant, Journeyman, Apprentice) (Present Union and Local) Former Union Affiliations Other Than District No. 1 – PCD, MEBA: _____ Status _ Name (Suspended, dropped, expelled, withdrew) (Former Union and Local)



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WITHHOLDING AUTHORIZATION FOR M.E.B.A. POLITICAL ACTION FUND (PAF) CONTRIBUTIONS

I authorize monthly con	my employer, tribution of:				to withhold my
□ \$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00			Other \$
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This Authoriz	zation is voluntar	ily made based or	n my spec	cific unde	rstanding that:
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Printed Name	e:				Date:
Mailing Add	ress:				
Occupation:					
Signature:					



DISTRICT NO. 1-PCD, M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) INITIATION FEE AGREEMENT

I understand and agree that as an Applicant for Membership in District No. 1 – PCD, M.E.B.A., I will pay the membership Initiation Fee of \$250.00 in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth below:

- 1. I hereby agree that upon accepting employment through the offices of District No. 1 PCD, M.E.B.A., I will pay the sum of \$15.62 per month, each month, until the total sum of \$250.00 is paid.
- 2. The first payment shall be due and owing thirty (30) days after I first accept employment through the offices of District No. 1 PCD, M.E.B.A.
- 3. I understand that if my Initiation Fee is not paid in full within a 16-month period, subsequent to my first date of employment, I will be obligated to complete payment of the balance due of my membership Initiation Fee within thirty (30) days.

I further understand I will forfeit any monies paid toward my membership Initiation Fee if I do not comply with all the provisions of this Agreement.

	Signature of Applicant
Witness	Date

PILOTS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE BAY & RIVER DELAWARE INFORMATION FACT SHEET

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP FOR APPLICANTS APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF M.E.B.A. RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PILOTS' ASSOCIATION

Your Application for Membership in District No. 1-M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) will be accepted under the M.E.B.A. provisions established for the <u>Pilots' Association for the Bay & River</u> Delaware.

- 1. You are employed as a Licensed Marine Officer or in an unlicensed capacity on vessels under contract to the <u>Pilots' Association for the Bay & River Delaware.</u>
- 2. You must complete the proper Authorization and Application for Membership. Said Application should be reviewed and witnessed by a Representative of the District and filed with District Headquarters.
- 3. You agree to pay the regular service charge during the period of your applicant status. The current service charge is 1% of your base salary per pay period.
- 4. The District Investigating Committee will review your Application for Membership. At the time of application for membership, the applicant must make an initial payment of \$100 which will satisfy the applicant's service charge payment obligations for their first quarter (three months). If the District Investigating Committee, at its discretion, rejects your application, you will be so notified.
- 5. Upon acceptance of an Authorization and Application for Membership, you will be classified as an Applicant for M.E.B.A. Membership and will automatically be granted Group III shipping status.
 - A Group III Shipping Card will be issued to you at the same time the Applicant Book is issued. Proper application for the Applicant Book may be made at any District No. 1-M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) Branch Office.
- 6. When you complete two years' service working on vessels under contract with the Pilots' Association for the Bay & River Delaware, either in a licensed or unlicensed capacity, and complete two years' service charge payments as well as complete payment of your \$250.00 initiation fee, you may apply for membership and Group II shipping status subject to availability of openings in Group II.

At the same time you must verify your employment with the <u>Pilots' Association for the Bay & River Delaware</u> and submit same to the District Investigating Committee. This also may be done at any District Branch Office.

The District Investigating Committee meets from time to time and your application will be reviewed in turn and in accordance with the requirements contained in this fact sheet and further subject to all the requirements of all Deep Sea applications for membership unless modified herein. The District Investigating Committee will then issue a report with its recommendations to the members to vote on at their regular monthly membership meeting.

7. If you are advised of your acceptance as a member of District No. 1-M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO), you may then apply for your membership book. This and any application for a renewal or a change in group shipping card may also be made at any District No. 1-M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) Branch Office.

Note: Membership and group shipping status are not the same.

8. If you elect to quit the <u>Pilots' Association for the Bay & River Delaware</u>, or your employment is terminated for reasons not related to union activity prior to completing the two-year service on board the vessels covered by the Delaware Bay & River contract, and thereafter, obtain employment aboard vessels covered by the District's agreements, you will then be required to file a New Authorization and Application for Membership with the District, under the current requirements for application for membership and at such time as applications are being accepted for membership.

The Union, therefore, expects that the applicant will complete the requirements set forth herein and any failure to complete the requirements will forfeit and void the Authorization and Application that was made for membership.

9. Unless otherwise specifically modified by this attachment to the application for membership, your application for membership is subject to all the rules, regulations, terms and conditions contained in the National M.E.B.A. Constitution, the Constitution of District No. 1-M.E.B.A., the By-Laws of District No. 1-M.E.B.A., the Shipping Rules, and the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the National Executive Committee, the District No. 1-M.E.B.A. Executive Committee and the membership. The applicant's attention is directed to Rules and Regulations No. 1 and No. 3 in the Constitution regarding applications for membership in the National M.E.B.A. and duly affiliated District thereof.

Date Print Name of Applicant (Seal)

Witness Signature of Applicant

I have read, understood, and agreed to the above provisions.



I, of my own free will and accord, do hereby solemnly and sincerely promise, swear and affirm that I will never impart any internal documents, contracts, proceedings of any meetings or any other verbal or written information deemed confidential or proprietary of the District No. 1 – PCD, M.E.B.A. (AFL-CIO) to any person not duly and justly qualified to receive same. I also bind myself not to join or belong to any other organization of licensed marine officers while I am a member or an applicant of this Organization. I also will not accept any employment outside of the M.E.B.A. utilizing my marine officer license without the permission of the Union in accordance with the M.E.B.A. By-Laws and Shipping Rules. I will faithfully obey and use my earnest endeavors to carry out the provisions of the Constitution, By-Laws, Shipping Rules and Regulations of the National Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association (AFL-CIO) and of this Organization and its Affiliates.

I have carefully read and signed the Obligation of my own free will and accord. It being understood that it in no way will interfere with my Social, Political or Religious rights.

Further, I understand that as an M.E.B.A. applicant, I will voluntarily relinquish any job received through this organization if I fail to become an elected member of this organization within the required time.

(Signature of Applicant)	(Date)
(Print Name of Applicant)	(Social Security Number)
(Witness)	

Instructions for Completing Permanent Data Forms

You must complete a Permanent Data Form if you are a new Participant, if you are adding a Dependant, if your marital status changes, or if your dependant's eligibility status changes.

The following documents must be included with your completed Permanent Data Form:

Married

• If you are married – a copy of your marriage certificate.

Children

- Biological children a copy of each child's birth certificate.
- Adopted children a copy of each child's adoption papers and birth certificate.
- Stepchildren a copy of each child's birth certificate, a copy of your most recent IRS tax filing, a copy of that part of your spouse's divorce decree that assigns responsibility for the stepchild's medical care.
- Grandchildren a copy of each child's birth certificate, proof of legal custody awarded by a court or state agency, a copy of your most recent IRS tax filing, (additional documentation may be required).

Dependant Parents

• Dependant Parents – a copy of your most recent IRS tax filing as proof that you claim your parent as a dependant on your tax return. You will be required to provide proof of support of your parent(s) annually.

Your parent(s) may be covered as a dependant only if:

- (1) you do not have a spouse, you do not have natural or adopted children under the age of 26, and you do not have stepchildren under age 19 (or 23, if full-time students); and
- (2) you contribute at least one-half of the support of the parent being claimed as a dependant, claim your parent as a dependant on your IRS tax return, and you submit a copy of your most recent IRS tax filing as proof of support.

Additional Requirements for Adult Children (over age 18)

Biological and Adopted Children Age 19 through 25

- Your biological and adopted adult children under the age of 26 may be covered as a dependant provided they are **not** eligible for other employment based coverage (other than parent's coverage). Employment based coverage is coverage that an adult child is eligible for due to the employment of the child or the child's spouse, regardless of whether the child enrolls in such coverage.
- You are required to verify the availability of employment based coverage for each biological and adopted adult child each year.

Stepchildren and Grandchildren

- Your stepchildren and grandchildren age 19 through age 22 may be covered as a dependant provided they are full-time students.
- Student status forms are available from the Plan Office or on the Plan website (www.mebaplans.org).
- You are required to verify full-time student status for each stepchild and/or grandchild each year.

Change in Marital Status

Marriage

• If you are single and become married, you must notify the Plan Office and submit a copy of your marriage certificate with your new Permanent Data Form to enroll your new spouse.

Divorce or legal separation

- If you are married and become divorced or legally separated, you must notify the Plan Office immediately and submit a copy of your divorce decree, legal separation agreement or your written agreement to live separately within 30 days, along with your new Permanent Data Form.
- If you are divorced and are keeping your children as dependants in the Plan, you must provide additional information about other coverage the children may have, such as through your former spouse (or his or her new spouse, if remarried), so that the Plan can properly coordinate benefits. If included in your divorce decree, a copy of the portion that assigns responsibility for medical care may be needed to determine order of payment.

Address and Address Changes

- If you use a PO Box as either your permanent address or your mailing address, you must also provide a physical address.
- If you are advising the Plan of a change of address <u>only</u> and have no other changes to make you can complete a new Permanent Data Form or you can simply notify the Plan Office in writing of the address change. Include your name and social security number. The Participant <u>must</u> sign this notification in order to allow the Plan Office to change your address.

IMPORTANT - When Coverage Terminates

If you and/or your dependant no longer meet the eligibility requirements your coverage and/or your dependant's coverage will end. You are required to notify the Plan Office in writing and within 30 days of events that impact your and/or your dependant's eligibility under the Plan. Events that may lead to ineligibility and a loss of coverage under the Plan include, but are not limited to:

- Failure to report a divorce;
- Failure to report a legal separation;
- Failure to report a child's eligibility for other coverage, including the availability of such coverage;
- For stepchildren and grandchildren, failure to report a change in student status, a change in residency or a change in support;
- For stepchildren and grandchildren, failure to report a child's marriage;
- For grandchildren, failure to meet the grandchild eligibility rules; and
- Failure to pay any required premiums (e.g., COBRA, pensioner contributions, Alternate Plan premiums) timely.
- For Pensioners, return to work under certain circumstances without the permission of the Trustees.

If you do not timely notify the Plan Office of an event that causes a change in your or your dependant's eligibility under the Plan, you will be required to reimburse the Plan for benefits that were paid after your and/or your dependant's coverage terminated.

In addition, your or your dependant's coverage under the Plan may be terminated retroactively in the case of fraud or intentional misrepresentation.

MEBA Medical & Benefits Plan 1007 Eastern Avenue Baltimore, MD 21202-4345 410-547-9111 * 800-811-MEBA (6322) * 410-547-6665 (Fax) * www.mebaplans.org

PERMANENT DATA FORM

COMPLETE BOTH PAGES OF THIS FORM , SIGN AND DATE WHERE INDICATED, AND RETURN TO THE PLAN OFFICE IN BALTIMORE

Member Name									
	Last Name			First Na	ıme			Init	ial
Social Security Number									
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)		Sex (Select one) O Male O Female							
Home Telephone Number	(Area Code:)						
Cellular Phone Number	(Area Code:)						
E-mail address (If applicable)		@							
Affiliation (Check One)	O District No. 1	-PCD	, мева О	Plan Emplo	oyee O	Union 1	Employee O	Other:	
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Marital Status (Check One)	O Single O	Marri	ed O Wid	owed O	Divorce	d O Le	egally Separat	ed	
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Permanent Address	Number & Stree	et							
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Employee							

FORM IS NOT VALID IF NOT SIGNED AND DATED BY PARTICIPANT FORM WILL BE RETURNED IF NOT SIGNED AND DATED.

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organization.)

REQUEST FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS FOR LABOR ORGANIZATION DUES

Privacy Act Statement

Section 5525 of Title 5 United States Code (Allotments and Assignments of Pay) permits Federal agencies to collect this information. This completed form is used to request that labor organization dues be deducted from your pay and to notify your labor organization of the deduction. Completing this form is voluntary, but it may not be processed if all requested information is not

This record may be disclosed outside your agency to: 1) the Department of the Treasury to make proper financial adjustments; 2) a Congressional office if you make an inquiry to that office related to this record; 3) a court or an

5) an organization which is a designated collection agent of a particular labor organization; and 6) other Federal agencies for management, statistical and other official functions (without your personal identification).

Executive Order 9397 allows Federal agencies to use the social security number (SSN) as an individual identifier to avoid confusion caused by employees with the same or similar names. Supplying your SSN is voluntary, but failure to provide it, when it is used as the employee identification number, may mean that payroll deductions cannot be processed.

YES

NO

appropriate Government agency if the Government is party to a legal suit; 4) an appropriate law enforcement agency if we become aware of a legal violation;	Your agency shall provide an additional statement if furnished on this form for purposes other than those				
Name of Employee (Print or Type-Last, First, Middle)	3. Employee Identification Number (SSN or Other)	3. Timekeeper Number			
2. Home Address (Street Number, City, state and ZIP Code)	5. Name of Agency (Include Bureau, Division, Bra	nch or Other Designation)			
Name of Labor Organization (Include Local, Branch, Lodge or Other Appr	·	aut which was paried in			
I hereby certify that the regular dues of this organization for the above named member are currently established at \$ per	(biweekly pay period) (calendar month). (Strike out whichever period is not appropriate, based on arrangement with the employee's agency.)				
Signature and Title of Authorized Official Section B-Autho	orization By Employee	Date (Month, Day, Year)			
I hereby authorize the above named agency to deduct from my pay each pay period, or the ifrst full pay period of each month, the amount certified above as the regular dues of the (Name of Labor Organization):	of my employing agency. I further understand that S Cancellation of Payroll Deductions for Labor Organ from my employing agency, and that I may cancel th Standard Form 1188 or other written cancellation re	ization Dues, is available is authorization by filing			
and to remit such amount to that labor organization in accordance with its arrangements with my employing agency. I further authorize any change in the amount to be deducted which is certified by the above named labor organization as a uniform change in its dues structure. I understand that this authorization, if for a biweekly deduction, will become effective the pay period following its receipt in the payroll office	of my employing agency. such cancellation will not be effective, however, the first full pay period which begins on or after the next established cancell date of the calendar year after the cancellation is received in the payroll office. Contributions or gifts (including dues) to the labor organization shown at left not tax deductible as charitable contributions. However, they may be tax deductible under other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.				
Signature of Employee		Date (Month, Day, Year)			

FOR COMPLETION BY AGENCY ONLY - The above named employee and labor organization meet the requirements for dues withholding. (Mark the appropriate box. If "YES", send this form to payroll. If "NO", return this form to the labor

Non-Discrimination Notice

The Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association (M.E.B.A.) does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations. These activities include, but are not limited to, applying for membership in M.E.B.A., membership in M.E.B.A., hiring and firing of staff, selection of volunteers and vendors, and provision of services. We are committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all members of our staff, clients, volunteers, subcontractors, vendors, and clients.

M.E.B.A. is an equal opportunity employer. We will not discriminate and will take affirmative action measures to ensure against discrimination in membership, employment, recruitment, advertisements for employment, compensation, termination, upgrading, promotions, and other conditions of employment against any employee or job applicant on the bases of race, color, gender, national origin, age, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

Union Members: Know Your Rights



U.S. Department of Labor Washington, D.C. 20210

Office of Labor-Management Standards

The Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act (LMRDA) guarantees certain rights to union members and imposes certain responsibilities on union officers to ensure union democracy, financial integrity and transparency. The Office of Labor-Management Standards (OLMS) is the Federal agency with primary authority to enforce many LMRDA provisions. If you suspect a violation of these rights or responsibilities please contact the Department of Labor at 1-866-4-USA-DOL.

Union Member Rights

Bill of Rights - Union members have:

- equal rights to participate in union activities
- freedom of speech and assembly
- voice in setting rates of dues, fees, and assessments
- protection of the right to sue
- safeguards against improper discipline

Copies of Collective Bargaining Agreements -

Union members and nonunion employees have the right to receive or inspect copies of collective bargaining agreements.

Reports - Unions are required to file an initial information report (Form LM-1), copies of constitutions and bylaws, and an annual financial report (Form LM-2/3/4) with OLMS. Unions must make the reports available to members and permit members to examine supporting records for just cause. The reports are public information and copies are available from OLMS.

Officer Elections - Union members have the right to:

- nominate candidates for office
- run for office
- cast a secret ballot
- protest the conduct of an election

Officer Removal - Local union members have the right to an adequate procedure for the removal of an elected officer guilty of serious misconduct.

Trusteeships - Unions may only be placed in trusteeship by a parent body for the reasons specified in the LMRDA.

Protection for Exercising LMRDA Rights - A union or any of its officials may not fine, expel, or otherwise discipline a member for exercising any LMRDA right.

Prohibition Against Violence - No one may use or threaten to use force or violence to interfere with a union member in the exercise of LMRDA rights.

Union Officer Responsibilities

Financial Safeguards - Union officers have a duty to manage the funds and property of the union solely for the benefit of the union and its members in accordance with the union's constitution and bylaws. Union officers or employees who embezzle or steal union funds or other assets commit a Federal crime punishable by a fine and/or imprisonment.

Bonding - Union officers or employees who handle union funds or property must be bonded to provide protection against losses if their union has property and annual financial receipts which exceed \$5,000.

Labor Organization Reports - Union officers must:

- file an initial information report (Form LM-1) and annual financial reports (Forms LM-2/3/4) with OLMS.
- retain the records necessary to verify the reports for at least five years.

Officer Reports - Union officers and employees must file reports concerning any loans and benefits received from, or certain financial interests in, employers whose employees their unions represent and businesses that deal with their unions.

Officer Elections - Unions must:

- hold elections of officers of local unions by secret ballot at least every three years.
- conduct regular elections in accordance with their constitution and bylaws and preserve all records for one year.
- mail a notice of election to every member at least 15 days prior to the election.
- comply with a candidate's request to distribute campaign material.
- not use union funds or resources to promote any candidate (nor may employer funds or resources be used).
- permit candidates to have election observers.
- allow candidates to inspect the union's membership list once within 30 days prior to the election.

Restrictions on Holding Office - A person convicted of certain crimes may not serve as a union officer, employee, or other representative of a union for up to 13 years.

Loans - A union may not have outstanding loans to any one officer or employee that in total exceed \$2,000 at any time.

Fines - A union may not pay the fine of any officer or employee convicted of any willful violation of the LMRDA.

M.E.B.A. DATABASE UPDATE FORM

(Please fil<mark>l out this form completely)</mark>

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