



International Aikido Federation

Application Procedure for IAF membership

The IAF will only admit one member per country,

An application will be handled in 5 steps:

1. Information: the IAF will inform the member of the procedure, will provide the current statutes the application procedure and an application form.
2. Documentation: the member will provide the necessary information to the General Secretary.
3. Investigation: General Secretary will investigate the information and report the progress of the application to the Directing Committee.
4. Consideration: the Directing Committee will review the application. When the application is deemed to be complete and the applicant has fulfilled the requirements, then the Directing committee will list the application as an agenda item for the following Congress.
5. Decision: The Congress will decide whether to admit the applicant to membership.

At any step in the membership procedure an application for membership can be returned to an earlier step.

The applicant will complete the IAF Membership Application form and send it with the necessary documentation to the office of the General Secretary.

Applications addressed to the Aikikai Foundation may not be taken into consideration.

It will be in the best interests of the applicant:-

1. attend an IAF congress as an observer in advance of application,
2. submit the application form and necessary documents 6months in advance of the Directing committee meeting 2years before the next IAF Congress,
3. show that the application is based on a formal decision of the organization.

The IAF grants membership to organizations that fulfill various conditions:

1. They are a recognized by the Aikikai Foundation according to their International Regulations.
2. The organization is a legal body in its own country.
3. The organization is democratic according to national standards.
4. The organization is not admitting member organisations beyond its borders.
5. The Rules/statutes of the organization accord with the IAF Constitution.