# SAMPLE Corporate membership bylaws

*These guidelines serve solely as an example of what clubs may wish to adopt to meet their specific needs. Rotary International does not endorse specific requirements or obligations of membership for any alternative membership types.*

*For a comparison of the two models presented below and more information about corporate membership, see the* [*Guide to Corporate Membership*](https://my.rotary.org/en/document/guide-corporate-membership) *on* [*Rotary.org/flexibility*](http://www.rotary.org/flexibility)*.*

**model a (In which dues are paid for the primary member, but not alternates):**

Recognizing the growing importance that businesses place on corporate social responsibility, the club has created a corporate membership option. Corporations can take part in projects that give back to the community through Rotary’s well-organized structure.

The Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_ offers a corporate membership program for businesses, professional practices, government entities, educational institutions, and \_\_\_\_\_.

1. **Qualifications**. The employees of any business are eligible for corporate membership in the Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. **Members.** Subject to the approval of the club’s board, the business designates employees to serve as members of the Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and may appoint up to \_\_\_\_\_ people to be primary members or alternates.
3. **Attendance**. Attendance and participation requirements of the club may be met by any of the members. All members (primary and alternates) are entitled to attend any regular meeting of the club or any other Rotary club as determined by the club.
4. **Dues.** Dues for the corporation are $\_\_\_\_\_ per year (as of \_\_\_\_\_). Dues for each alternate to the Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and Rotary District \_\_\_\_\_ currently total $\_\_\_\_ per year. Should more than one corporate member attend the same Rotary meeting, the additional members will be required to cover the cost of their meals.
5. **RI registration.** Primary corporate members for whom RI dues have been paid are registered as active members in Rotary’s database. They will be listed as official members of the club and noted in the roster as primary corporate members of the named business. Alternate corporate members for whom RI dues have not been paid are not listed on the club roster in Rotary’s database.
6. **Votes and quorum**. For the purpose of general meetings and club matters, the primary corporate member is eligible to vote. Since the corporation has one primary member that is reported as an active, RI dues-paying member, it will have only one vote which will be made by the designee attending the meeting at which the vote is taken.
7. **Holding office.** Any RI dues-paying member listed in Rotary’s database, which includes the primary corporate member, is eligible to hold office. Alternates who do not pay RI dues are not eligible.

**model B (In which the club charges a flat rate for a certain number of corporate members):**

The Rotary Club of \_\_\_\_\_\_ offers a corporate membership program for businesses and other large organizations, government entities, professional practices, educational institutions, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The corporate member will be an active, dues-paying member of the club and of Rotary. The Board of Directors will establish the dues for this membership type.

1. **Qualifications.** All \_\_\_\_ must meet the regular requirements for membership in the club and in Rotary.
2. **Members.** Subject to the approval of the club’s board, these organizations may designate a primary corporate member, who is the [circle one] president, chief executive, department head, general manager, or other role, and up to \_\_\_\_\_ alternate members, who must be employed by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. **Attendance.** The corporate member is required to attend in person only once per \_\_\_\_\_. The alternate members will meet the club’s other attendance and participation requirements.
4. **Dues.** Dues for the corporation shall be $\_\_\_\_\_ per year (as of \_\_\_\_\_) which includes a primary corporate member and \_\_\_\_\_alternate members. [Add other rates as needed]
5. **RI registration.** All corporate members are full, active members of the club and count in the club’s and in Rotary’s database.
6. **Votes and quorum**. All corporate members are active, dues-paying members and are eligible to vote on club matters.
7. **Holding office.** All corporate members are active, dues-paying members of the club and are eligible to hold office.