

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership of APL is your entitlement as a levy payer
There is no fee



AUSTRALIAN PORK

YOUR COMPANY... YOUR BUSINESS

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

Your industry needs you – to be an effective organisation, representing Australia's pig industry, Australian Pork Limited (APL) needs you to be a member.

A united industry voice strengthens the capacity of our industry to be heard by politicians, industries and organisations, government departments and consumers both nationally and internationally.

Strong membership backing can support APL's effectiveness in driving initiatives linked to consumer marketing, product research and innovation as well as critical policy issues.

Don't be a lone voice – join APL and be heard!

Have YOUR say on how YOUR levies are spent

- Members can attend, speak and vote at Annual General Meetings
- Vote on changes to APL's constitution and Pig Slaughter Levy; and
- Present concerns directly to the APL Board and Management through the well structured Delegate Communication Program

APL MEMBERSHIP IS YOUR RIGHT AS A LEVY PAYING PRODUCER

As an APL member you will receive:

- A monthly newsletter
- Regular technical notes
- Technical and professional support
- Notification and preferential registration to APL workshops, meetings, conferences and exhibitions
- Greater opportunities to network with industry experts and other groups
- Weekly and monthly market reports
- Access to the 'members only' website
- Early access to project research results
- Timely updates on APL's progress on:
 - » Environmental initiatives
 - » Animal Welfare initiatives
 - » Animal Health
 - » Feed Grain security & supply
 - » Regulatory Changes
 - » New trends in industry research and technology
 - » Eating quality; and
 - » Domestic and export markets

YOU PAY THE LEVY...

WHAT DOES YOUR LEVY DOLLAR DO FOR YOUR INDUSTRY?

Lobbys the Government

To enhance your industry's interests in the areas of:

- Trade
- Animal welfare
- Animal health and quarantine
- Environmental and planning issues
- Imports and industry competitiveness

Develops policy

to address current and future issues impacting on the industry and the viability of pork producers.

Markets your product

to domestic and international export markets through:

- Domestic market brand advertising
- Export market development
- Export brand marketing
- Food Service promotions
- Retail fresh pork category development
- On-going market analysis

Funds research and development of innovations

to increase the profitability and competitiveness of your business

- Develops new farming methods and practices
- Develops new processing and marketing technologies
- Improves the final quality of Australian Pork Products
- Disseminates and encouraging the uptake on new innovations
- Develops and administers the on-farm quality assurance programs – APIQ and PigPass QA

Strengthens the leadership of the industry

- Through training programs to develop new industry talent and leadership
- Ensures producers are informed of all developments through a comprehensive communication program

NOW REAP THE BENEFITS...

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHO IS APL?

We are the national representative body for the Australian pork producers, who pay the Statutory Pig Slaughter Levy under the *Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Act 1999*. Owned by Australian pork producers, APL is a not-for-profit company.

WHAT DOES APL DO?

APL is responsible for enhancing opportunities for the sustainable growth of the Australian pork industry. Delivering integrated marketing, research and innovation and policy services to the industry supply chain.

DOES IT COST TO BE A MEMBER?

Membership is available to all levy paying pork producers. **There is no direct membership cost.**

WHAT IS THE PIG SLAUGHTER LEVY?

A levy of \$2.525 per carcase is collected every time a pig is slaughtered. This levy is passed on by the processor to the Federal Government Levies Management Unit. APL receives only \$2.35 per carcase. The remaining \$0.175 is paid directly to the Nation Residue Survey (NRS).

I PAY THE LEVY – WHY AM I NOT A MEMBER?

To become an APL member you must complete and return this membership application form.

HOW LONG DOES MY MEMBERSHIP LAST?

Membership to APL lasts for three years or until the producer stops paying the Pig Slaughter Levy, at which time the member must give APL notice within 60 days. Members are required to renew their membership every three years.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

More information, including the APL Constitution, can be obtained by calling APL on FREECALL 1800 789 099 or through the APL Website at www.australianpork.com.au

COMPLETING THE APPLICATION FORM

Step 1: The applicant – the person or entity that pays the pig slaughter levy (i.e. the partnership, company or individual).

Step 2: The contact person – the individual who will receive official correspondence from APL and will represent the member in the voting process. This contact can be altered by notifying APL in writing.

Step 3: The Statutory Declaration – must be completed and signed by an authorised witness. A list of these witnesses appears at the bottom of the membership application form and can be found on the APL website www.australianpork.com.au

Step 4: Optional information – this information allows APL to provide members with the highest level of service. It allows APL to determine the best way to provide information to the member and what information they would like to receive.

Calculating your pig slaughter levy

To work out how much pig slaughter levy you paid in the previous financial year, you can use one of the following methods:

Method A

- Take the total number of pigs sold (from the stock depreciation form) in the previous financial year
- Subtract the number of pigs sold not for slaughter; and
- Multiply this amount by the pig slaughter levy of \$2.35*

Method B

- Total the slaughter numbers on the kill sheets from your abattoir each week for the previous financial year; and
- Multiply this amount by the pig slaughter levy of \$2.35*

* The levy figure of \$2.35 equates to the Statutory Pig Slaughter Levy of \$2.525 minus the National Residue Survey (NRS) of \$0.175. Calculation should be based on the figures for the last financial year.

BECOME AN APL MEMBER AND HELP CREATE A PROFITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR YOUR BUSINESS

JOIN TODAY



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Office use only)

Membership No

Application Details

Name of Applicant

(Person or Business that pays the pig slaughter levy)

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Business Type Individual Partnership Company Other

Contact Person (Person to receive official correspondence regarding this membership)

Mr/Mrs/ Ms First Name Last Name

Address

City State Postcode

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Telephone Facsimile Mobile

Email Address

Statutory Declaration (Please see list of Authorised witnesses below)

By completing and lodging this form with Australian Pork Limited, you represent and state that to the best of your knowledge and belief all the statements in this application are correct and that the applicant for membership:

- carries on the business of breeding or growing pigs in Australia for sale
- has paid the pig slaughter levy (other than as an intermediary) during the financial year ending 30 June
- agrees to be bound by the Constitution of Australian Pork Limited (a copy of which is available from APL by telephoning 1800

I, (Name and occupation)

of (Full address)

Name of Applicant Pig slaughter Levy in the financial year ending 30 June

I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declaration Act, 1959 and subject to the penalties provided by that Act for making of false statements in statutory declarations, conscientiously believing that the statements contained in the

Signed Declared at
(Signature of declaring party)

On
Day Month Year

Before me Title
(Signature of person authorised to sign a statutory declaration) (Title of Authorised witness)

Person before whom a statutory declaration may be made:

Justice of the Peace
Medical practitioner
Veterinarian
Pharmacist
Nurse
Dentist

Lawyer
Accountant
Full-time Teacher
Financial or Bank Officer with 5 Years continuous service
Postal employee with 5 years continuous service
Police Officer

Registrar or Deputy Registrar of the Court
Minister of Religion (authorised to celebrate marriages)
Member of Federal, State or Local Government
Defence Force Officer; Warrant Officer; or Non-Commissioned Officer with 5 years continuous service

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

(This information allows APL to provide members with the highest level of service.)

Quality Assurance No

Expiry Date

Day Month Year

Federal Electorate

State Electorate

On-farm Operations

No of Sows

Type of farm Single Mixed

Type of Operation Indoor
 Deep Litter
 Free Range
 Other

No of piggery sites

Post Code of sites PLEASE LIST

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Staffing Employee Manager Yes No

No of full-time employees

No of part-time employees

Information Interests

- Staff Training Environment New farming methods and practices Trade
- Occupational Health and Safety Animal Welfare Feed & grain supply and pricing Food safety
- Industrial relations Quality Assurance Quarantine Matters Funding opportunities Market Trends
- Other
- I would like to receive regular APL News and Market Updates

Information method

Access to Internet No Yes (Broadband Dialup)

*APL will default to email distribution of information

Preferred method to receive information Telephone Facsimile Mobile Email address*

I do not wish to receive advertising and incentive offers from external companies

Privacy Statement

Australian Pork Limited (APL) respects your privacy.

It collects personal information about each of its members (including information about name and address and the amount of pig slaughter levy the member has paid), and persons nominated by members as delegates to meetings, to enable APL to meet its obligations to each member of APL, for example, by sending an annual report, by ensuring the member's voting rights accurately reflect the amount of pig slaughter levy paid and by conducting meetings which members' delegates are entitled to attend and exercise rights.

APL may also provide non financial details of members to the delegates whom they nominate, and the details of delegates to each other, as well as to persons who nominate for a director position, in order to facilitate better communication and representation within APL.

[Individuals who prefer that their details not be provided in this way can let APL know by contacting APL at the contact details given below.]

The information may be disclosed to employees or agents of APL with responsibility for marketing analysis or company secretarial matters. The information may also be disclosed to governmental agencies who have responsibilities relating to the pig industry (for example, to governmental agencies with responsibilities in relation to animal health). If APL does not collect this personal information, it may not be able to fully meet its obligations to its members or their nominees. The consent of members and their nominees will be requested before such information is disclosed to other persons for any other purposes.

Individuals have certain rights to access their personal information held by APL by contacting APL at the contact details given below:

Australian Pork Limited (ABN 83 092 783 278)

Contact details for Privacy Enquiries GM Communication Australian Pork Limited

Telephone: 02 6285 2200

Toll Free: 1800 789 099

Facsimile: 02 6285 2288

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