



*APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP*

*TO THE*

*SOUTHWESTERN FASTENER ASSOCIATION*

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COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_  
(FULL CORPORATE OR BUSINESS NAME)  
STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)  
MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY) (STATE) (ZIP)  
TELEPHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ WEB-SITE \_\_\_\_\_

## CONFIDENTIAL STATEMENT

1. TYPE OF ORGANIZATION  
 SOLE PROPRIETORSHIP  
 PARTNERSHIP  
 CORPORATION  
 DIVISION OR SUBSIDIARY  
OF A CORPORATION

NAME AND HOME OFFICE OF PARENT ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. NAMES AND TITLES OF EACH OWNER, PARTNER, OFFICER, DIRECTOR OR SHAREHOLDER  
HOLDING OR OWNING A BENEFICIAL INTEREST OF 5% OR GREATER, IF NOT A PUBLIC CORPORATION.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

3. NAMES, TITLE AND ADDRESS OF ANY OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL OR APPLICANT  
REPRESENTATIVE, IF NOT INCLUDED IN ITEM 2 ABOVE.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

4. NAMES AND LOCATIONS OF BRANCHES AND/OR SUBSIDIARIES.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ABOVE IF YOU WISH A NEWSLETTER TO BE MAILED.

5. DATE APPLICANT COMPANY WAS INCORPORATED OR COMMERCIAL BUSINESS BEGAN \_\_\_\_\_

6. NUMBER OF YEARS UNDER PRESENT OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL \_\_\_\_\_

7. NAME OF VOTING REPRESENTATIVE (MAY BE CHANGED AT ANY TIME, IN WRITING, TO THE  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SFA) \_\_\_\_\_

8. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES \_\_\_\_\_
9. HOW MANY SQUARE FEET IN YOUR FACILITY? \_\_\_\_\_
10. IS YOUR FASTENER INVENTORY OVER \$50,000.00? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_
11. SIGNIFY THE TYPE OF FASTENER OPERATION THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR BUSINESS. ALTHOUGH YOU MAY CROSS OVER INTO MORE THAN ONE DESCRIPTION, PLEASE SELECT ONLY THE ONE THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR OPERATION IN THE CAPACITY YOU DESIRE TO REPRESENT YOURSELF TO THE SFA MEMBERSHIP.

- \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRIBUTOR - A COMPANY BUYING FASTENERS PRIMARILY FOR RESALE TO THE END USER.
- \_\_\_\_\_ MANUFACTURER - A COMPANY WHOSE PRINCIPLE OPERATION IS THE PRODUCTION AND/OR PURCHASE OF FASTENERS AND WHOSE SALES TO DISTRIBUTORS FROM THIS PRODUCTION AND/OR PURCHASE ACCOUNTS FOR A MAJOR PORTION OF THEIR SALES VOLUME.
- \_\_\_\_\_ IMPORTER - A COMPANY IMPORTING FASTENERS BASICALLY FOR SALES TO DISTRIBUTORS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ PROCESSOR - A COMPANY WHOSE PRINCIPLE OPERATION IS SOME FORM OF ALTERATION OF FASTENERS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ AGENT - A COMPANY EARNING THE MAJORITY OF ITS INCOME FROM SALES OF FASTENERS FROM SUPPLIERS IT REPRESENTS. IF AN AGENT, LIST LINES REPRESENTED:
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

12. HAVE ANY OF THIS APPLICANT'S OWNERS, PRINCIPALS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS OR SHAREHOLDERS (5% OR GREATER), WHILE ACTING FOR, OR ON BEHALF OF, THIS APPLICANT, BEEN CONVICTED IN A CRIMINAL OR HELD LIABLE IN A CIVIL ACTION OF WILLFUL OR REPORTED DISPARAGEMENT OF THE BUSINESS REPUTATION, TRADE NAME, OR PRODUCT OR A COMPETITOR?  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_
13. HAS ANY OWNER, OFFICER, DIRECTOR, PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDER OR KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL OF THE APPLICANT:  
(A) BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY, OR OF A MISDEMEANOR OR MORAL TURPITUDE?  
YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
(B) BEEN CONVICTED OR HELD LIABLE IN EITHER A CRIMINAL OR CIVIL VIOLATION OF FEDERAL OR STATE ANTI-TRUST STATUTES? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING SUBMITTED AS SUPPORT OF OUR APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SFA. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS INFORMATION WILL BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE BY THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS I UNDERSTAND THAT ANY MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTS MAY BE CONSIDERED GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

14. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR \$300.00 CHECK FOR A ONE TIME INITIATION FEE, WHICH IS REFUNDABLE IF NOT APPROVED BY SFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS. BILLING OF YEARLY DUES OF \$350.00 WILL BE BILLED WHEN YOUR APPLICATION IS APPROVED.

15. \_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S AUTHORIZED AGENT OR REPRESENTATIVE)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (TITLE)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (DATE)



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# **A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SOUTHWESTERN FASTENER ASSOCIATION**

The Association, originally known as the Texas Fastener Association, was founded on the basic principal that there was a need in the market to exchange ideas and experiences on successful business practices and techniques related to our market. The Association held its initial formative meeting at the La Baron Hotel in Dallas on November 21, 1974, with 27 persons, representing 20 companies.

From this embryonic stage came the first formal meeting held in January, 1975, with 67 persons, representing 50 companies, in attendance. At this meeting, the name was formerly changed to the Southwestern Fastener Association. Our membership is currently in excess of 150 companies consisting of distributors, manufacturers, importers, technology, agents and processors.

## **Benefits of Belonging to Southwestern Fastener Association**

- 1. Two Productive Conferences a year, which enables members to participate in business meetings, panel discussions and table top exhibits. Also being informed of new products and innovations within our industry, plus timely topics and speakers.**
- 2. SFA offers the Gene Petty Scholarship Fund to employees and their family members to help with the cost of College Education.**
- 3. Our social activities at our conferences include Cocktail Parties, Dinners and Dance, and Sporting events. We also hold an annual Scholarship Golf outing. This enables members to socialize and establish a good rapport out of the office situation and more on a personal level with other members, including potential customers and/or vendors.**
- 4. Our membership and initiation fee is reasonable and tax deductible as well.**