NEW ZEALAND CHORAL FEDERATION
Te Kotahitanga Manu Reo o Aotearoa

NZCF choir membership renewal 2027

Your choir's annual membership of the New Zealand Choral Federation (NZCF) is due from 1 January and should be paid by 1 April 2027 in order to remain up-to-date with APRA and insurance cover. The New Zealand Choral Federation represents around 21,000 singers and conductors drawn from 550 choirs all over New Zealand. As well as mounting choral events for singers, we provide resources and training for conductors, inspiring and sustaining them with educational opportunities, support, mentoring and online resources. Although you are welcome to use this form, **we encourage you to renew online.**

Why should my choir be a member of NZCF?

- NZCF website marketing opportunities
  Your choir is entitled to:
  - free concert advertising on our concerts and events page
  - free listing on our clash calendar
  - an online choir profile on our website including contact and rehearsal details (the choir page is also linked to the Choir Finder, that will help recruit new choir members)
  - advertising at members' rates

- Annual APRA licence
  NZCF has a special arrangement with APRA for member choirs' annual performing rights licence and the APRA fee is included in the NZCF membership subscription. No further charges are made by APRA unless the performance is classed as 'music in dramatic context', is a 'grand right' composition performed in its entirety, or a major choral work in excess of 20 minutes duration. In these cases, a licence must be obtained directly from the relevant publisher. All APRA requires is a list of titles and composers, sent after each NZCF members' concert. The NZCF/APRA licence can therefore save NZCF member choirs a substantial sum – in many cases, more than the cost of their NZCF membership subscription – and also administration time.

  Non-NZCF member choirs are obliged to pay an annual Australasian Performing Right Association (APRA) a licence fee of 2% plus GST of box-office income (minimum fee $75 + GST) where copyrighted material is performed or rehearsed. This requirement does not apply to NZCF members.

- Optional assets and public liability insurance at a low premium
  The NZCF has a comprehensive, tailored, insurance package (assets and public liability) for choirs through Gallagher Insurance NZ (formerly Crombie Lockwood (NZ) Limited). The insurance comes at a premium of $238 incl GST for 2027. A similar level of cover might cost your choir around $700 per annum from another provider. See our Resources/Insurance web page for more information.

- Other benefits
  - Joining with other choral singers and conductors for networking and support
  - Invitations to choral workshops and singing and conducting courses, run by top New Zealand and other internationally-recognised choral practitioners
  - Professional development opportunities for your choir's conductor
  - Monthly newsletter eBreve for all choir members
  - Advertising vacancies in eBreve and on our website at member rates
  - Free review of your choir's CD or DVD in eBreve
  - Voting rights at elections at one vote per 25 singers or part thereof (maximum 4 votes per choir)

How does my choir membership support choral music in New Zealand?

Your choir's membership fee helps the NZCF to:

- provide a wide range of choral events, services and educational opportunities for choirs
- train choral leaders through regular workshops and conferences
- provide experienced personnel for education in vocal and choral techniques
- provide a structure for NZ choral professionals to improve their skills and assist others
- bring national/international clinicians' expertise to regional choirs
- stimulate excellence in New Zealand choirs
- create performance opportunities for New Zealand composers

Sign your conductor up to the Association of Choral Directors

Choral conductors are encouraged to join the NZCF Association of Choral Directors (ACD), a network that provides professional development and mentoring, and fosters connectivity and collegiality between choral leaders. NZCF encourages choirs to pay for their conductor's annual $90 ACD membership fee. By investing in their choir director, the choir is investing in their own future.

Need help?

For any assistance, please contact Ann Gibbard (Finance and Membership Manager) during office hours on 021 682 014 or at ann.gibbard@nzcf.org.nz

Best wishes for a rewarding year of choral singing!



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The annual, inclusive 'per singer' charge for 2027:

Adult choirs – $7.50 per singer
Children's and school choirs – $6 per singer

Overall annual maximum fees:
Church, children's & school choirs – $120.00
All other choirs – $600.00

Insurance premium (optional): $238

The Membership fee covers the period from 1 January to 31 December 2026 and includes GST (no 49 186 959)

Number of singers in choir	A	
Multiply (A) by $7.50 (adults) or $6 (children/schools) or insert maximum (if applicable)	B	$
Add insurance (optional) – $238	C	$
Add ACD membership for conductor (optional) – $90	D	$
Add Donation (optional)	E	
Total payable (Add B, C, D and E)		$

Payment options

Payment should be received by 1 April 2026, after which date membership (including the APRA licence and insurance cover) ceases. Receipts for membership fees will be issued once paid. This membership form becomes a tax invoice once completed.

1. **Credit Card (Visa or Mastercard)**
   Please use the online form to make a credit card payment

2. **Direct credit**
   Direct-credit payments can be made to NZCF
   Payee: New Zealand Choral Federation Inc
   Account 02-0100-0592437-00.
   Please include in the bank deposit fields the following details:
   Particulars: Choir name
   Reference: Choir renewal

3. **Direct debit**
   Direct debit payments can be made by requesting an authority form from Ann Gibbard (Finance and Membership Manager) at ann.gibbard@nzcf.org.nz.

Choir Contact Details

Please complete the form for our records; the information will be used solely for NZCF purposes

Choir Name: ……..

Choir website (if any): ……..

Number of singers: ……

Choir type: …….

(*barbershop/sweet adelines, chamber, children, church, city/community, male, women, youth, wellbeing/therapeutic, world music, other)*

Region: …….

(*Auckland, Waikato/Bay of Plenty, East Coast, Taranaki, Manawatu/Whanganui, Wellington, Nelson/Marlborough, Canterbury/West Coast, Otago, Southland)*

Choir Ethnicity: Enter the number of singers in each ethnicity group. For singers with more than one ethnicity, you can record them in more than one group. We record ethnicity to meet the requirements of our funders. If you don't record this information, please provide your best guess.

NZ European/Pakeha/European	Māori	Pacific Peoples	Asian
Middle Eastern	Central / South American	African	Other (please specify)

Choir Contact's Details

First name: ……..

Surname: ……..

Position (eg Treasurer): ……..

Email address: ……..

Home phone: (……)……

Mobile phone: (……)……

First name: ……

Surname: ……

Position (eg Secretary): ……

Email address: ……

Home phone: (……)……

Mobile phone: (……)……

Conductor's details

First name: ……..

Surname: ……

Address 1: ……..

Address 2: ……..

City: ……..

Postcode: ……

Email address: ……..

Home phone: (……)……. Mobile phone: (……)……