

MINAB Membership - Terms and Conditions

These terms and conditions form the basis of the contract through which the Mosques and Imams National Advisory Board (MINAB) will deliver membership services (the "Services") to the organisation you're acting on behalf of.

Please read these terms and conditions carefully before applying to become a MINAB member. In consideration of us accepting your application to become a MINAB member and allowing you to access our services, you agree to be bound by these terms and conditions.

1. About MINAB

a. Aims and objectives

MINAB is an advisory body, which will facilitate good practice in the governance of Mosques and improvement in the performance of Imams. Its advisory function will be discharged through provision of guidance. Its facilitator function will be discharged through consensus on Standards and Good Practice.

Objectives

- a. Assist in building the capacity of Mosques to function as community hubs.
- b. Assist Mosques in matter of governance.
- c. Advise on improved access and involvement of women and youth to Mosques.
- d. Spread best practice through the development of standards.
- e. Advise relevant bodies on training requirements/needs of Imams
- f. Advise on the skills and competencies for appointment of Imams.
- g. Advise members on legal compliance.
- h. Provide information to members on access to resources and/or make better use of resources for achievement of standards.
- i. Facilitate harmonisation of standards in relation to religious education in Mosques and Madrasahs.
- j. Encourage Mosques to become centres of community cohesion, citizenship and dialogue.
- k. Advise on the suitability of Imams and scholars coming to the UK from abroad.
- l. Co-operate and engage with other regulatory and non-regulatory bodies in the UK and abroad, in order to enable the MINAB to achieve its aims and objectives.

b. Guiding Principles

The MINAB is community-led and independent. It works with and is inclusive of the major Muslim traditions and schools of thought. The MINAB is guided by the following principles:

- i. An independent body
- ii. Non sectarian in its outlook
- iii. Representing the diversity of Islam with no role in matter of theology
- iv. Broad based with an accountable system of representation

c. MINAB's standards

The standards aim to facilitate the spread of good practice amongst its members. There are 5 standards:

1. Members apply good principles of corporate governance
2. Members ensure that services are provided by suitable qualified and/or experienced personnel
3. There are systems and processes in place to ensure that there are no impediments to the participation in the activities, including governance, for young people.
4. There are systems and processes in place to ensure that there are no impediments to the participation in the activities, including governance, for women.
5. Members ensure that there are programmes that promote civic responsibility of Muslims in the wider society.

2. Membership

a. Eligibility

A Mosque or Islamic Centre, which functions as a place of worship for persons who believe in no God but Allah and Muhammad (PBUH) as His last Prophet and to whom the Quran, the true words of Allah, was revealed, is eligible for membership of the MINAB, provided that it is located in the United Kingdom, and that it subscribes to its Aims & Objectives, and adheres to the principles set out in the Constitution,

Or

An institution or establishment, which is engaged and involved in the training – vocational or academic – of persons aspiring to become Imam or Islamic Teacher, shall also be eligible for membership of the MINAB, provided that it is located in the United Kingdom, and that it subscribes to its Aims & Objectives, and adheres to the principles set out in the Constitution,

And

Pay such fees as is set by the Board.

b. Membership Benefits

As a MINAB member you will receive a range of benefits such as:

- A variety of resources to support your institution;
- Access to MINAB events, either free or at a discounted rate.
- Be assisted in matter of governance.
- Being supported in spreading best practice through the development of standards.
- Access to resources and/or make better use of resources for achievements of standards.
- Advise on the suitability of Imams and scholar coming to the UK from abroad.

c. Applications

i. Online application

For online applications you will either have sight of a confirmation page or receive an email. Acknowledgement that your application has been received and is being processed does not yet mean that your application has been accepted. Your individual membership with MINAB begins on the date when membership and any other fees have been paid in full.

ii. Written/Verbal Applications

For applications made verbally or via a written application form or email, your individual membership will begin on the date we send your welcome pack. This will be sent out when all of your documents have been received and assessed, and membership fees have been paid in full.

d. Cooling off period

You have a fourteen (14) working days cooling off period from the date of confirmation of your new membership in which to cancel your subscription without penalty. You must notify us of your wish to cancel in writing by contacting the MINAB office at admin@minab.org.uk or by post at: MINAB - PO Box 57330 - London E1 2WJ

e. Right to refuse applications

We reserve the right not to fulfil, or to cancel, your application if we are unable to obtain payment authorisation from the issuer of your credit/debit card or payment by other means.

If the information you provided in the application is found to be inaccurate or untrue, the MINAB would have the discretion to cancel the membership or vary the terms upon which it was granted.

If your membership application is accepted, but we subsequently discover that any or all of the information provided by you was misleading or false, we reserve the right to revoke your membership with immediate effect, without the right of appeal.

f. Price information

By agreeing to these terms and conditions, you agree that you will pay us the following fees.

Type of Organisation	Fees
A Mosque or Islamic Centre, which provides regular and facilities for prayers five times a day and Jumah midday prayers	£25
A Mosque or Islamic Centre, which in addition to providing facilities for prayers as set out in para (a), also provides any other service or services such as Islamic teaching, funeral service, marriage registration, circumcision and activities that facilitate community cohesion may qualify for membership as Mosque or Islamic Centre with extended services.	£50
An institution or establishment that provides vocational training that leads to accreditation or a certificate of diploma or degree as Imam	£25
An institution or educational establishment, which provides academic training/courses leading to qualification as Islamic Teacher	£25

We reserve the right to increase the price of membership subscription from time-to-time. Members will be informed of any fee increase in the renewal letter. If we discover an error in the price of your membership subscription, we will inform you as soon as possible.

g. Termination

Without affecting any other rights and remedies which we may have and without liability to you for any losses which may result, we may terminate these terms and conditions immediately and without notice if:

- in our sole opinion, you materially breach any of these terms and conditions, or fail to adhere to the Aims and Objectives of MINAB
- you fail to renew your membership;

h. Variation

We may change these terms and conditions at any time upon giving you 30 days prior written notice. The most recent edition of these terms and conditions will be binding upon you.

Members may exit the contract without penalty if they do not accept any proposed variation.