



**TOOWOOMBA**  
*community*  
**ORGANIC GARDENS**

22a Goggs Street

Toowoomba Qld 4350

ABN 61 287 586 948

Email: [TCOGA.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:TCOGA.secretary@gmail.com)

## Membership Application/Invoice

**Becoming a member is easy. All you need to do is follow three easy steps.**

1. Read the TCOGA Membership Handbook
2. Fill out the Membership Application Form (return by email/mail to address above)
3. Pay your membership fees (see below)

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

Suburb \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name and Number  
\_\_\_\_\_

I understand that my contact information will be used by the TCOGA committee to keep me informed about the TCOGA activities and to send membership renewals and newsletters.

### Code of Conduct

As a condition of membership, members are asked to abide by the following Code of Conduct.

#### Respect for Others

Members are to respect the rights, dignity and worth of other gardeners and visitors regardless of their culture, age, abilities, gender, religion, or cultural background.

#### Behaviour

All members are to behave with integrity in their dealings with others. Inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated. This includes:

- Swearing or yelling.
- Sexually suggestive comments / jokes.
- Racist comments / jokes.



- Using Derogatory language or making insensitive comments.
- Violent or aggressive behaviour
- Bullying, Harassing, Humiliating, or Intimidating others.

Disciplinary action, suspension or termination of membership may result from repeated inappropriate behaviour. Wherever possible, disagreements between members should be settled between themselves calmly and amicably. If this is not possible the TCOGA conflict resolution and grievance procedures should be followed.

### **General**

- Members must be committed to and comply with the general gardening principles and all operational requirements as set out in the TCOGA membership handbook.
- TCOGA values the time and input of its volunteer members. It is an expectation that all members will spend time helping with the maintenance of communal areas and/or by participating in working bees and/or fund-raising activities.
- Members are asked to carry out their responsibilities to the best of their abilities according to their role requirements. As gardening is a continuous life learning activity, members should be flexible and open to new ideas and actively seek to learn from others.
- Gardeners should not knowingly introduce weedy, prohibited, or diseased plants to the garden.
- Garden plots and their boundaries must be kept free of weeds and grass.
- All activities within the garden must be conducted in a safe manner. Pathways and access routes should be kept clear to ensure there are no physical barriers to participation.

### **Membership categories**

Please circle the type of membership that you require.

**Ordinary \$30 Family \$40 Group \$30 or Carer (Free)**

*Ordinary* – Participate in garden activities, comply with the members handbook and code of conduct, receive newsletters and updates regarding social events and working bees.  
*Family* – Participate in garden activities, comply with the members handbook and code of conduct, receive newsletters and updates regarding social events and working bees.  
*Group* – a leader or supervisor of a group of garden volunteers.  
*Carer* – parents, carers or guardians who help dependant ordinary members to participate in garden activities.

### **Payments Details**

Bank Name	Heritage Bank
Account Name	Toowoomba Community Organic Garden Association
BSB:	638070
Account Number	9899871
Reference	Applicants Surname



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**Electronic Transfer:** To the Heritage Bank through your own bank's website, or you can go into your bank, and they will assist you in making the payment. Make sure you take these details with you. **Be sure to insert your surname** so we can clearly identify who has paid. Please email to [TCOGA.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:TCOGA.treasurer@gmail.com) to let us know payment has been made.

*I have been taken on a tour of the gardens and am aware of the sustainable organic philosophy of the gardens. I have read the TCGOA membership handbook and agree to abide by the practices outlined in the TCGOA membership handbook and Code of Conduct.*

*Signature* \_\_\_\_\_.

*Date* \_\_\_\_\_