



## Membership Application Form

We use a membership management system to store your information, known as Sheep. It is a secure system, and your information is only accessible to authorised individuals within the Guild. By submitting this form, you are agreeing to your details being kept in our membership database. Your details are not passed to any other organisation.

If you have an email address *and* are able to pay your membership fee by card or by direct debit, you can create an account in Sheep yourself, giving you access to your own information, which enables you to make the most of your membership. Please see our website.

If you cannot join online, please complete and return this form. If you do not have an email address, we will communicate with you by post and/or telephone.

Please complete all information unless it is marked as *optional*.

<b>Email address</b> (If you have one, you will be able to activate your Sheep account)	
<b>Title</b> (Miss, Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr...)	
<b>First name</b> (Your official first name, for example: Elizabeth.)	
<b>Known as</b> ( <i>optional</i> ) What you want us to call you, if different from first name (for example: Liz).	
<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Address</b> (Your home address, including country if not UK)	
<b>Postcode/Zip code/Eircode etc.</b>	
<b>Telephone</b> ( <i>optional</i> ) (If provided, we will use this to contact you with any queries)	

## A bit more about you...

We need a little more information about you for our records.

- We use your date of birth to understand who our members are, but also to provide another means of verifying your identity if you ask us to make changes to your record on your behalf. We also use it to know when our Junior members switch to become Adult members.

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**Date of Birth**

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- We ask for your ethnic background to determine whether we are meeting our goal of being an inclusive organisation. The list of options is at the end of this application form, so that we can separate it from the other information. It is stored in a secure area in Sheep and is only used for anonymous reporting purposes. If you prefer not to give your ethnic background, that option is at the bottom of the list.

## Communicating with you

In addition to our welcome information (sent by post to those without an email address) and our quarterly journal, *Slipknot* (sent by post unless you select digital membership below), we occasionally send other information.

Important information about your membership (when your membership is due for renewal, and details of the AGM, for example) are sent by email if you have an email address and by post if you do not.

We also send newsletters (by email only) highlighting Guild news and other items of interest. We use MailChimp for these newsletters, and you can unsubscribe at any time without it affecting the membership-related communications.

We have a network of local branches, and those who activate their Sheep account can choose to receive information from them. If you do not have an email address but would like to be contacted by your local branch (if there is one in your area), please tick this box.

*Please ask my local branch to contact me.*

Please let us know which crafts you are interested in:

Crochet

Hand-knitting

Machine-knitting

## Your membership subscription

Subscription varies depending on your age and where you live (to cover additional costs associated with overseas membership) *unless* you opt for digital membership. Please select the appropriate option for you.

Where you live...	Adult membership		Junior (under 18)	
UK – <i>Slipknot</i> posted to you	£25	<input type="checkbox"/>	£10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Europe (not UK) – <i>Slipknot</i> posted to you	£33	<input type="checkbox"/>	£18	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rest of the World – <i>Slipknot</i> posted to you	£38	<input type="checkbox"/>	£23	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anywhere – online only access to <i>Slipknot</i>	£25	<input type="checkbox"/>	£10	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Gift Aid

If you are a UK taxpayer, the Knitting & Crochet Guild can reclaim 25p for every £1 from your subscription or any donation from the tax you pay for the current tax year.

Your home address and your full first name are used to identify you as a current tax payer.

To Gift Aid your subscription (and any donations), please tick the box below to confirm that you are a current UK taxpayer and that you understand that if you pay less income Tax and/or Capital Gains than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all your donations in that tax year, it is your responsibility to pay any difference.

I want to Gift Aid my subscription, and any donations I make in the future or have made in the last 4 years to the Knitting & Crochet Guild.

*Gift Aid*

Please tell us if you:

- want to cancel this declaration
- change your name or home address
- no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains tax.

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

## Supporting the Guild

As well as becoming a member, there are number of ways in which you can support the Knitting & Crochet Guild.

- **Making a donation:** If you would like to include a donation with your subscription, please state the amount of the donation. If you have completed the Gift Aid declaration above, Gift Aid can also be reclaimed on this and any future donations while the Gift Aid declaration is active.
- **Join the 200 Club:** The 200 Club is a member-only closed draw. Each 'share' (or ticket) costs £10 and is valid for 1 year. Each share is entered into the 5 draws that take place during that year. The number of prizes depends on the number of 200 Club members.
- **Volunteering:** The Knitting & Crochet Guild is run entirely by volunteers. We regularly ask for volunteers when we identify a gap or a need, and always need help.

*Donation amount*

*200 Club shares*

<i>Subscription</i>		<i>Donation (if any)</i>		<i>200 Club (£10 per share)</i>		<i>Total amount</i>
<input type="text"/>	+	<input type="text"/>	+	<input type="text"/>	=	<input type="text"/>

Please send your completed application form and your cheque made payable to **Knitting & Crochet Guild** for the total amount to:

Janet Collins (Membership Secretary), 28 April Croft, Birmingham, B13 9HP

## Ethnic background options

Please select the most appropriate option. This list is the one used in our Membership Management system, Sheep, and is based on best-practice guidelines.

If you prefer not to say, that option is at the end of the list. (It is useful to know how many people prefer not to say as opposed to those who perhaps forgot.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Arab	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian: Bangladeshi
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian: British	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian: Chinese
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian: Indian	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian: Pakistani
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian: Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Black: African
<input type="checkbox"/> Black: British	<input type="checkbox"/> Black: Caribbean
<input type="checkbox"/> Black: Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed: British
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed: White and Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed: White and Black African
<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed: White and Black Caribbean	<input type="checkbox"/> Mixed: Other
<input type="checkbox"/> White: British	<input type="checkbox"/> White: English
<input type="checkbox"/> White: Gypsy or Irish Traveller	<input type="checkbox"/> White: Irish
<input type="checkbox"/> White: Kurdish	<input type="checkbox"/> White: Northern Irish
<input type="checkbox"/> White: Roma	<input type="checkbox"/> White: Scottish
<input type="checkbox"/> White: Turkish/Turkish Cypriot	<input type="checkbox"/> White: Welsh
<input type="checkbox"/> White: Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Other/Prefer not to say