



## Joining the YMC

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Apart from the obvious reasons for joining a club, ie. meeting others with common interests, camaraderie, maintaining motivation, benefiting from the experience of others, etc, there are some particular benefits of becoming a member of the YMC.

- The YMC welcomes participants in all aspects of mountaineering eg. rock, snow and ice climbing, hill walking, back-packing, orienteering, fell running, skiing etc.
- The YMC welcomes both single and family members.
- Use of the Club's Lake District accommodation.
- Reduced fees when using the accommodation.
- Access to the YMC Library.
- Membership includes insurance cover with BMC Third Party Liability Insurance.
- Concessionary rates on YMC Guide Books purchased directly from the Club.
- Discounts at many Outdoor Sports Shops on production of a valid Membership Card.
- A bi-monthly news letter containing details of forthcoming events, reports of meetings, Club news, articles of interest and Meet Reports.
- An outdoor meeting arranged for many weekends throughout the year.
- A mid-week climbing or climbing wall meeting arranged periodically on Wednesday evenings.
- Other social events arranged from time to time.

### How to Join the YMC

**Who Can Join the YMC?** Anyone over the age of 16 may become a member of the Club if they are keen on mountaineering and have the interests of the Club at heart.

#### Grades of Membership

##### **J – JUNIOR**

Any individual aged between sixteen and eighteen at the date of application.

Subject to the discretion of the Committee, individuals who have been Family members, may be allowed to waive the criteria for application provided there has been no lapse in membership. Junior members cannot hold a Club Officers position. Junior Members do not have full privileges at the Hut i.e. they are not able to use the Hut without a Member and are not allowed to take guests to the Hut

##### **ST – STUDENT**

Any individual aged between eighteen and twenty-two who is not in paid employment and able to provide proof of full-time education.

Subject to the discretion of the Committee, individuals who have been Junior members, may be allowed to waive the criteria for application provided there has been no lapse in membership

**FULL Membership** To qualify for Full Membership of the Club you must be 18 years of age and have attend a minimum of four Club meets during the initial six months of your Prospective Membership of the Club, following this two members of the Club must be willing to propose and second your application for membership of the Club. The proposer will apply by sending a letter of introduction to the Membership Secretary. The application will then be submitted to the Committee for consideration of your membership of the Club.

# Application Form for Prospective Membership of the YMC

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Name:

Address:

Phone Number

E-mail Address:

Age if under 18 years:

Mountaineering Experience if any:

I wish to be considered as a Prospective Member of the Yorkshire Mountaineering Club

Signature:

Signature Parent or Guardian if under the age of 18 years.....

Date:

Please return the completed form together with your remittance of £7. Cheques should be made payable to the 'Yorkshire Mountaineering Club' to:

YMC Membership Secretary  
Jon Bale  
14 College Close  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5PY

## How Much Does Membership Cost?

- Junior Membership (16 to 18 yrs) £6.00
- Student Membership (18 to 22 yrs in Full Time Education) £6.00 per year.
- Prospective Membership £8.00 per 6 months.
- Full Membership
  - Family Membership (children up to 16 yrs) £39.00 per year.
  - Single Membership £23.00 per year.

**Note:** Prospective Members who are elected to Full Membership after 1<sup>st</sup> July are required to pay only 50% of the Membership fee.

**Prospective Membership** As a Prospective Member you will receive the Club's bi-monthly newsletter giving you the details of forthcoming events.

You will be able to use the YMC's Hut in the Lake District, however a Full Member of the Club must accompany you. Prospective members pay the Guest rate when staying at the Club Hut.

You will be able to attend any Club event during the 6 month period of your Prospective Membership.

## Application Form

To become a Prospective Member of the YMC please print an application form and after completing it, return it together with a remittance of £8 to the Membership Secretary.

**Please send to Membership Secretary Jon Bale.**

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