

## **CRITERIA FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**

Associate membership caters for organisations, equestrian professionals, service providers, training bodies, education providers and other companies interested in developing links with the British Equestrian industry.

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| <b>1. Financial</b>            | Membership is open to VAT registered equestrian professionals and associate companies of the equestrian industry, as well as those who are not yet VAT registered.<br>Provisional membership will be given to non-VAT registered applications. This does not affect the use of membership benefits, only voting at the BETA AGM. |
| <b>2. Premises &amp; Legal</b> | Equestrian professionals and associate companies must trade legally from a permanent premises appropriately business rated.  |
| <b>3. Hours</b>                | Must be trading normal business hours with suitable facilities to respond to information requests within two working days. Attendant staff must be competent in their area of equine expertise.  |
| <b>4. Code of Conduct</b>      | Must subscribe to any BETA Code of Conduct.  |
| <b>5. Symbol</b>               | Are required to display the BETA Associate members' symbol where appropriate when a paid up member.  |
| <b>6. Website</b>              | Websites must be kept current and up to date.  |
| <b>7. Insurance</b>            | Proof must be provided of appropriate levels of public liability insurance as required.  |
| <b>8. Time</b>                 | Must be trading legally for a minimum of two years fulfilling all other criteria. (Less implies provisional membership.)   |

**NOTE: All applicants are accepted and reviewed at the Council's discretion.**