



## Ilnu Wunji Mi'kamawey Mawi'omi Indian Head First Nations

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Dear Applicant,

The Federation of Newfoundland Indians is presently negotiating with the Federal Government for registration of the Mi'kmaq people of Newfoundland living outside of Conne River. All programs **now** administered by the FNI **are only available to members living on the island portion of Newfoundland.**

**At the present time**, no information is available on **what, if any, rights** Mi'kmaq people living off the island of Newfoundland would be entitled to if registration takes place. In support of requests from its membership, Indian Head First Nations proposes to document off island **Mi'kmaq who were born in Newfoundland and maintain contact with their families.** These members will be added to a separate list, from present membership list, while we wait for negotiations to be completed.

To apply for membership with the Indian Head First Nations Band **you must meet our criteria and complete and return the attached membership application along with your documentation by mail at the address above.** Please fill out the application form as completely as possible and include the following:

- **All relevant documents connecting you to the aboriginal community.** (This would include all **Baptismal Certificates or Long Form Birth Certificates (listing names of parents) and Marriage Certificates** starting with your own and going back to the documented aboriginal person in your family.)
- **Married female applicants** must provide a **(Certified Copy)** of their **Marriage Certificate.**
- **Please ensure that your documents show clear connection in proper order.**
- If your mother, father, brother or sister is already a band member, you may use photocopies of their documents **along with your original birth and marriage certificates.** **The membership committee will not photocopy any documents now on file.** Applicants may contact family members for copies of their documents or they may choose to provide original documents.
- Children **under the age of nineteen (19)** will be listed on their parents application. **Please provide a Baptismal Certificate for children (Certified Copy) with parents names listed.**
- Children **19 and over** must **apply as an adult member** following the same process laid out here.
- **Please provide a self-addressed stamped envelope (8 ½ x 11)** so we can return your paperwork if **there is a problem or to confirm you have been accepted** as a member of Indian Head First Nations Band.
- There is a one time **processing fee of \$ 10.00.** Checks must be made payable to **Indian Head First Nations** and sent to our official mailing address at the time you apply.
- **Applicants** are also reminded to **keep a photocopy of their documentation** for their own records.

Once you have submitted the application with the required documentation and fee, Indian Head First Nations Band Membership Committee will review the information and will use **your self-addressed 81/2x11 stamped envelope to inform you that you have been accepted or denied membership.**

## Membership Checklist

The following items are required to apply for membership. This checklist is provided to ensure that you have completed all requirements necessary for membership in Indian Head First Nations. **Do not return this checklist**, it is for your convenience only.

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Application (completed as fully as possible)**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **All documentation connecting you to your aboriginal ancestor.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Documents must show connection in proper order starting with applicant**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Married Females must provide their Marriage Certificate**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Baptismal Certificates for children under 19 (with parents names listed)**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Children over 19 must apply as adult member**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Check for \$ 10.00 processing fee addressed to Indian Head First Nations**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Self-addressed stamped envelop ( 8 ½ x 11)**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Please keep photocopy of your documents for your own records**

**There will be no exceptions to the above. Paperwork will be returned if necessary, only if a self-addressed stamped envelope (8 ½ X11) is provided.**

**If no self-addressed envelope is provided documents will be discarded.**



**All individuals applying to become members of Indian Head First Nations must meet the following criteria:**

Demonstrated Mi'kmaq descent through either of the following:

- Pre-confederation census, or
- Provincial or colonial documentation or other historical documentation;
- Church records
- An affidavit establishing that a person is a direct descendant of another person with demonstrated Mi'kmaq descent through pre-confederation census, provincial or colonial or other historical documentation or church records **and** demonstrated connection with a Mi'kmaq community that existed prior to 1949 **and** a voluntary request for membership in a Band or

A person who has been legally adopted or adopted through custom adoption while at or below the age of nine years by a person of Mi'kmaq ancestry pursuant to Clause 2.06(a) of the Federation of Newfoundland Indians Criteria and who has been accepted by Mi'kmaq custom to be a Band Member is eligible to become a Member of the Corporation, subject to the following:

- The presentation of proof of adoption meeting the criteria of this Clause and a resolution from the Band Council representing the Band to which the person wishes to join approving the Band's acceptance of the new Member.
- The descendants of the person becoming a Member of the Corporation pursuant to this Clause shall not be entitled to membership in the Corporation unless one parent of that descendant is a person of Mi'kmaq ancestry pursuant to Clause 2.06(a). of the Federation of Newfoundland Indians

**Name of Family Members with Date of Birth**

**Husband:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Wife: Maiden Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children: Name and Date of Birth**

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	<b>Father's Family</b>	<b>DOB</b>	<b>Mother's Family</b>	<b>DOB</b>
<b>Father</b>			<b>Mother</b>	
<b>Grandfather</b>			<b>Grandfather</b>	
<b>Grandmother</b>			<b>Grandfather</b>	
<b>G-Grandfather</b>			<b>G-Grandfather</b>	
<b>G. Grandmother</b>			<b>G-Grandmother</b>	
<b>G.G. Grandfather</b>			<b>G.G. Grandfather</b>	
<b>G.G. Grandmother</b>			<b>G.G. Grandmother</b>	

If your aboriginal ancestor is on your mother's side, you must provide **certified documents from yourself back to this person** through birth certificates and marriage certificates **with parents names listed.** If the connection is through your father's side, you must do the same thing. If you have an aboriginal connection on both sides then you can provide documents on both sides.

**I do declare that the information I have provided is true and so understand that any false information that may be used on my application is cause for refusal of membership, or in the case of a member, rejection from the band.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

