

# Texas Western Model Railroad Club

6808 Forest Hill Drive Forest Hill, Texas 76140



## Application for Regular Membership

Thank you for expressing interest in the Texas Western Model Railroad Club. We hope you will find a home at our Club and join us for many enjoyable hours of model railroading. By completing this application, you are starting a process that will progress you to regular full membership with voting privileges and full access to all Club amenities. During this process, we encourage you to join our work sessions, bring your trains to "Run Nights", "Operation Nights", and get to know us better.

Introductory members are required to attend a minimum of three and maximum of six business meetings (always held the first Thursday of each month). Another requirement is to be a National Model Railroad Association (NMRA) member. You'll need to present proof of NMRA membership before being voted on for Regular membership. All members must maintain annual membership in the NMRA. Upon your request to the Board of Directors for a membership vote, your application will be reviewed by the Board and upon approval, will then be submitted to the membership for a vote at a regularly scheduled business meeting. While this process may seem long, it passes quickly, and you'll soon have access to the Club and layout.

Club rules prohibit alcohol, illegal drugs, and profanity while on club property or when representing the Club. We encourage family involvement in the Club; however, you will be responsible for any actions of minors and/or visitors you may bring. Please ask a Board Member about the Constitution and Bylaws concerning minors and/or visitors. A copy is available at the Club for your review.

### Protecting Youth at Risk:

NOTE: you MUST be the Parent or Legal Guardian, or have in your possession a Legal Guardian Designation Affidavit for any person under the age of 18 years, or one that requires a Legal Guardian; or they cannot be allowed to visit our club. As a condition of your visit, you MUST maintain constant visual contact and supervision of all persons listed on this sheet. Failure to list an "at risk" or under age person does not alter your responsibility of supervision, or the rules. Failure to follow these rules will result in your being asked to leave the club immediately.

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

Signature acknowledges you understand and will comply with these rules

We apologize for this strict policy, but we want to protect you, your children, and any "at risk" persons, as well as ourselves during your visit. Unfortunately, events in our world show that extra caution and supervision is required at all times for our children and those that require Legal Guardianship. We are very pleased that you and your group wish to visit our Texas Western Model Railroad Club and we want to assure you we are ready to show you around and hopefully gain another member for our great hobby,

Family Members name:	
Home address:	
E-mail address:	NMRA Membership No. and expiration date:
Home phone:	Cell phone:
Employer:	Work phone:
Date of birth:	Spouse's name:
Your favorite railroad(s):	
Have you belonged to a club before? Yes or No	If so, what club:
What scale?	What era?
List your favorite part of model railroading: (Track work, scenery, structures, electronics, operations, etc.)	

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I hereby certify that I understand my responsibility as an Introductory member of the Texas Western Model Railroad Club (TWMRC), and if I become a Regular member, will meet my responsibility as required by Club constitution and bylaws. I certify that I will protect and defend Club and member's property. Also, I will hold private any club information which is not for public disclosure. I understand and agree to pay **\$30.00 per month dues during the "introductory" time period** upon submitting this application to apply for Regular membership in the TWMRC. **Dues thereafter shall be \$75.00 per month.**

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

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

For Club Officer Use Only:

Application accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_

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

1<sup>st</sup> Business Meeting Dues Received (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Business Meeting Dues Received (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Business Meeting Dues Received (Date): \_\_\_\_\_

Business Meeting membership voting date: \_\_\_\_\_

Introductory Member Accepted or Rejected (Circle One) *Note: Two NO votes constitute rejection.*



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Greetings,

Thank you for your interest in the Texas Western Model Railroad Club. This document describes general information about the club and is important for you to read and understand before submitting an application for membership.

- We are a 100% NMRA Club. You MUST provide and maintain membership in the NMRA to be eligible for, and maintain membership in the Texas Western Model RR Club.
- All rolling stock and locomotives must pass inspection by a representative of the Layout Committee before running on operations nights or open house dates. Only equipment that would have run in our era (1949-1962) and is correct for our geographical location (as depicted on our layout) will be allowed to run on the layout during operations or open house sessions. You are free to run any "Plate C" equipment during "open run" nights.
- Everyone is responsible and expected to keep the club clean and organized. Clean up your work area before you leave. We do not have a cleaning service, or elves to do this.
- It is your responsibility to mark all your locomotives and rolling stock for identification.
- We are listening . . . Have a good idea or suggestion, we want to hear it. Have a skill you would like to teach others? Great! Want to learn a skill? Great!
- The snack area is raising money for your layout; please note the prices and the Honor System.  
Please keep tools and supplies confined to one area; if you must store them here. We are not responsible if they get lost or broken. Limited space and appearance dictate that we do not allow large amounts of personal property to permanently remain here.
- Please, do not place tools, trains, food, drinks, or other items on finished areas of the layout.
- No minor (defined as under 14 years of age) shall be unsupervised at the club. The adult club member will be held financially responsible for any damage incurred by minors or guests present by their invitation.
- Family memberships in the Texas Western Model RR Club are offered to current Club member families, ask for details.
- We are a DCC operations-oriented club. We only operate DCC equipped locomotives using Digitrax for control; you will need to obtain a throttle. Many members can answer questions and help with DCC and SoundTraxx installations. We want you to enjoy the benefits of a good running loco.
- We plan social events and trips as a club each year to ride 1:1 trains. We want you to bring your spouse or partner to join us; the events are always fun with lots of laughs.

We believe we are building one of the best model railroad layouts in the country. We want to be one of the best built, best running, best landscaped layout ever featured in a national model magazine. We want to be on the cutting edge of the hobby in modeling skills, electronic controls, and detailing. If this sounds like your idea of a model railroad club, we invite you to come join us in the journey.



HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT- "City Agreement"- Revised: July 2022

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as a regular member or family member of the Texas Western Railroad Association/Texas Western Model Railroad Club, (hereinafter called "the Club"), hereby knowingly and willingly enter into the following agreement between the City of Forest Hill (hereinafter called "City.")

1. The City has consented to provide space for the Club to hold all its meetings. This space includes room for construction of miniature railroad club layouts, storage of miniature railroad engines, cars, tracks, electrical switch boxes, landscaping and all other items associated with the hobby of miniature railroading. The space so provided is solely for the use of the Club and its members (regular and family), and accordingly, will be a place in which Club projects may be left (or stored) intact after such times as the Club or its Members have ended their meetings.
2. In return for the space provided by the City, I voluntarily join the Club in not holding the City responsible in any way or manner for personal injury to myself. I also hold the City blameless for any loss or damage of any item belonging to the Club or myself including miniature railroad equipment, trains, tools, or any paraphernalia associated with model railroading.
3. I voluntarily agree to not hold the Club responsible in any way or manner for personal injury to myself while on Club premises. I do not hold the Club responsible for any loss, damage, or misuse of all items including miniature railroad equipment, trains, tools, or paraphernalia that are my personal property.

By my signature hereto, I also bind my agents, heirs, or assigns.

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Signature of parent if associate member is a minor

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TARRANT

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to me on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_ known to me to be the person whose signature is affixed above

Notary Public \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT- "Club Agreement"- Revised: July 2022

I, \_\_\_\_\_

individually as a regular member or family member of the Texas Western Railroad Association/Texas Western Model Railroad Club, (hereinafter called "the Club"), hereby knowingly and willingly agree not to hold the Club or any Club member responsible in any way or manner for personal injury to me resulting from the use of power tools, tools, equipment, etc. belonging to other Club members or the Club.

By my signature hereto, I also bind my agents, heirs, or assigns.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of parent or legal guardian if applicant is a minor)

Witnessed by Member of Board of Directors: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Position on Board of Directors: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_