



# FEDERATION OF NEWFOUNDLAND INDIANS

## Application for General Membership

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street address/box number)

\_\_\_\_\_

(town/city)

(province)

(postal code)

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(month) (day) (year)

Location of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note:** Attached ancestry chart must be completed with documentation supporting your claim to Mi'Kmaq descent.

**Necessary documentation:** Long form birth certificates, marriage certificates (where surname changes occur) from the department of vital statistics as well as historical documentation.

Anyone applying for general membership must meet clause 2.06 or 2.07 of the by-laws of the Federation of Newfoundland Indians.

- 2.06** (a) (i) 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

- (ii) Demonstrated connection with a Mi'Kmaq community that existed prior to 1949;

And

- (iii) A voluntary request for membership in a Band.

**OR**

- (b) (i) Descent from any person that meets all of the criteria contained in Clause 2.06.

**OR**

- (c) A person accepted as a band Member in accordance with Clause 2.07 of the By-Laws.

**2.07** 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) 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:

- (a) 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.
- (b) 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).
- (c) Compliance with the provisions of these By-Laws; and
- (d) Such further conditions as the Board of Directors may by resolution determine.

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**All applications can be sent to:**

**The Office of the President  
P.O. Box 460  
St. George's, NL  
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