



Arizona Newspapers Association

Active Online Newspaper Membership Requirements

Requirements for active online newspaper membership shall be as follows:

1. An online newspaper must publish for two years regularly and consecutively, prior to application for ANA Online Membership.
2. The active online newspaper must be published using recognized standards of professional journalism. Its content must be revised on a regular basis not less than once per week. It shall bear a fixed title of name and date lines.
3. The active online newspaper must be principally devoted to the dissemination of original local or general news and other editorial content (not less than 50 percent of overall content). A substantial portion must be staff produced or locally written and must be available to the general public via the World Wide Web.
4. The active online newspaper must not serve primarily as a platform to promote the interest or the opinions of a special interest group, individual or cause.
5. The active online newspaper must have a local telephone listing and a known Arizona-based office of publication, open to the public, where the business or publication is transacted during usual business hours.
6. All other definitions of a "newspaper", as determined by the ANA Bylaws and the Board of Directors of the Association, shall apply to Active Online Membership.
7. Online Newspapers of ANA active Newspaper members shall the designated Active Online Newspapers, effective with adoption of this amendment to the bylaws.
8. Each request for active online membership shall be submitted to and must be approved by the board of directors of the association. A copy of the online newspapers' web address and check for the first year's dues must accompany application. Dues shall be prorated at 50 percent for applications after July 1. In addition, the applicant must submit a letter of sponsorship from one (or more) ANA active publisher(s).
9. Amount of dues \$450.00 per year.
10. The online newspaper member is entitled to the benefits of membership including attendance and participation in ANA sponsored programs, seminars, training and conventions and ANA committee membership. This is a non-voting membership and excludes becoming an officer or director of the association.