



# RETAIL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

Store Name:

Primary Contact(s):

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code/ County:

Business Phone:

Email:

Mailing Address: (leave blank if the same as Street)

City:

State:

Zip Code/County:

Website/ Social Media:

**ELIGIBILITY:** Companies that primarily sell products to consumers – specialty retailers, department stores, hardware, clothing, etc. **Note:** Vermont food stores – should ask to see a Food Retail Membership application.

### BUSINESS TYPE (Check all that apply)

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|---|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Parts / Repair / Seller   | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Cleaning / Laundry          | <input type="checkbox"/> Liquor / Beverage           | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beverage Store / Outlet        | <input type="checkbox"/> Electronics / Computer Supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Supply / Pharmacy   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Book Store / Card & Gift       | <input type="checkbox"/> Florist / Garden Center         | <input type="checkbox"/> Music / Musical Instruments | <b>STORE TYPE:</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpet / Rug / Flooring        | <input type="checkbox"/> Frames / Gallery                | <input type="checkbox"/> Office Products             | <input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Chain |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing / Accessories / Shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Furniture / Home Décor          | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet Store                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Coop <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy Center                    | <input type="checkbox"/> General Wholesale               | <input type="checkbox"/> Photo Shop                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Franchise                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Department Store / Rentals     | <input type="checkbox"/> Hardware / Home Improvement     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sporting Goods / Marine     | <b>Number of Employees in VT:</b>                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discount Store                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry / Fine Gifts            | <input type="checkbox"/> Toy Store                   | _____ Full Time    _____ Part Time                                  |
|   |  |  | <b># of locations in Vermont</b> _____                              |

### Membership Dues

Are based off of your annual gross sales

- |                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| _____ \$175 (\$500,000)   | _____ \$440 (\$3,000,000) |
| _____ \$230 (\$1,000,000) | _____ \$490 (\$3,500,000) |
| _____ \$285 (\$1,500,000) | _____ \$540 (\$4,000,000) |
| _____ \$340 (\$2,000,000) | _____ \$590 (\$4,500,000) |
| _____ \$390 (\$2,500,000) | _____ \$640 (\$5,000,000) |

**+ \$55 for a 2nd store (if only 2 stores owned)**  
**+ \$135 each store if 3 or more stores owned**  
(Additional stores with same owner)\*

\*For dues greater than \$5 million in gross sales, add an additional \$90 per million. (Vermont Sales Only)

**Dues Amount** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Method of Payment:**    Check    Credit Card

**Card No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Exp.** \_\_\_\_\_ **CCV#** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name on Card:** \_\_\_\_\_

Call and pay over the phone or mail a check to:  
Vermont Retail & Grocers Association  
963 Paine Turnpike N, Berlin, VT 05602

Make check payable to  
Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

**Please note:** Association dues are billed yearly according to your anniversary date. We offer a 90 Day Money Back Guarantee.

**Provide a brief description of your business for your FREE listing on [vtrga.org](http://vtrga.org) & welcome post on social media:**

**What are the top four issues facing your business that we can assist you with?**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

**How did you hear about VRGA?** mail / email / social media / current member / events / staff person

**How would you like to receive information from VRGA?** mail / email / constant contact / phone call

## **Your Member Benefits**

Send me information on the following VRGA Membership Programs  **by email**  **by mail**

### **Advocacy & Knowledge**

For over 40 years we have been the leading voice for retailers in the legislature, advocating for your issues of concern such as labor laws, taxes and regulations & more

### **\$1,500 College Scholarships**

If you are an employee or owner of a VRGA member business and are attending college for the first time, or have a child who is attending college for the first time, you may be eligible.

### **Business and Dental Insurance Program**

Average Yearly Member Dividend Paid \$375.  
Plenty of options & excellent group rates

### **Online Member Compliance Portal**

Designed to offer you time-saving tools and resources that build convenience into managing your everyday work tasks.

### **Payroll Processing & Workers Compensation**

Average yearly member savings \$140

### **Check Recovery Service**

There is no fee to retailer to use this

### **Networking & Advertising Opportunities**

Eight annual events, Monthly e-newsletter and new programming

### **Educational Bi-Monthly Webinars & Year Round Important Online Resources**

Accessible to you & your staff 24/7 on our website

### **Credit Card Processing & low EBT fees**

Average Yearly Member Savings \$1,050

### **Coupon Redemption Program**

Turn coupons into cash simply & quickly

**Don't see something listed above you want or have something to offer?  
Please let us know! We are always evaluating our programs and looking for new partners.**

### **VRGA STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Membership dues to the Vermont Retail & Grocers Association are not deductible under IRS regulations as a charitable donation, however they are generally allowed as ordinary and necessary business expenses subject to the restrictions imposed by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 related to lobbying activity. VRGA estimates the portion of your dues allocable to lobbying (and therefore non-deductible) is 40% .

Please mail completed form, together with membership dues to:  
**Vermont Retail & Grocers Association** 963 Paine Turnpike N, Berlin, VT 05602