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Proficiency in Management and Standards of
Excellence in the Metal Finishing Industry**

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**MEMBER ADVANTAGES
and APPLICATION**

CHICAGO METAL FINISHERS INSTITUTE

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WHAT IS THE CHICAGO METAL FINISHERS INSTITUTE?

Founded in 1935, the Chicago Metal Finishers Institute is one of the largest and most effective metal finishing associations in the country. As an affiliate of the National Association for Surface Finishing, membership in CMFI also means automatic membership in our national association and is open to metal finishing facilities and related industries.

MEMBER BENEFITS

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS -- Evening dinner meetings with programs devoted to timely management subjects. Meeting with industry colleagues and discussing mutual problems make our members more profitable.

NEWSLETTER AND FAX UPDATES -- The Newsletter and fax bulletins provide educational articles and reports on association activities and keep our members posted on industry news.

LIAISON WITH REGULATORY AGENCIES -- CMFI has established and maintains an excellent rapport with city, county and state agencies in the area of water and air pollution, solid waste management, and OSHA requirements.

WAGE AND BENEFIT SURVEY -- A useful tool for comparison of current wage and benefit packages offered by other facilities in our member area.

DIRECTORY & FACILITIES GUIDE -- A proven tool now available on our website, directs potential customers to our members based on processes and other pertinent data. Key staff names are listed with vital information for each company member. Potential customers are referred to member companies via both the Directory as well as referrals from CMFI headquarters.

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE -- This document has become the standard for the entire industry and helps to establish the amount of liability metal finishers must assume.

LEGAL COUNSEL -- CMFI employs legal counsel for handling matters affecting the association or membership at large. Advice is available to members pertaining to legal and regulatory matters as well as providing members with a letter collection service for delinquent accounts.

TECHNICAL CONSULTANT -- CMFI employs a specialist to advise on technical matters and provide consults on air and water pollution problems.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE -- CMFI maintains a full-time office staff experienced in administering the affairs of the Association and our active committees.

SOCIAL EVENTS -- Special cultural and sporting events are offered for the enjoyment of members, families and guests.

REWARD FUND -- Offers rewards for the apprehension and conviction of criminal behavior against a member company.



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MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHICAGO METAL FINISHERS INSTITUTE

Application is hereby made for membership in the Chicago Metal Finishers Institute. We agree to abide by the Code of Ethics of the Institute and waive contest of any action taken by the Board of Directors on this application.

CLASS I MEMBER. Any proprietorship, partnership, or corporation of good business reputation, owning and/or operating a facility engaged in the business of electroplating, metal finishing and allied arts, in the States of Illinois and Wisconsin, shall be eligible for membership as a Class I Member.

CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR. Any proprietorship, partnership, or corporation of good business reputation owning and/or operating a facility related to the metal finishing industry by common business interests.

CODE OF ETHICS. The Code of Ethics of this Institute shall consist of the following rules:

RULE 1. No member of the Institute shall make or cause or knowingly permit to be made or published any false, materially inaccurate, or deceptive statement by way of advertisement, or otherwise, concerning the grade, quality, quantity, thickness of deposit, substance, character, nature, or finish or preparation of any product of the Industry or the credit terms, policies, or services of any member of the Industry, or otherwise, having the tendency or capacity to mislead or deceive customers or prospective customers.

RULE 2. No member of the Institute shall willfully induce or attempt to induce the breach of existing contracts between competitors and their customers by any false or deceptive means, or interface with or obstruct the performance of any such contractual duties or services by any such means, with the purpose and effect of hampering, injuring, or embarrassing competitors in their business.

RULE 3. No member of the Institute shall defame a competitor by falsely imputing to him dishonorable conduct, inability to perform contracts, questionable credit standing, or by other false representation, or by falsely disparaging the grade or quality of his goods or services.

RULE 4. No member of the Institute shall brand or mark or pack any product of the Industry in any manner which has a tendency to or does deceive or mislead purchasers with respect to the brand, grade, quality, quantity, origin, size, substance, character, nature, finish, thickness of deposit, material content or preparation of such product of the Industry.

RULE 5. No member of the Institute shall procure, otherwise than with the consent of any member of the Industry, any information concerning the business of such member which is properly regarded as a trade secret or as confidential within its organization.

RULE 6. No member of the Institute shall imitate or simulate the trademark, trade name, package, wrapper or label of a competitor's product to such a degree as to deceive or have a tendency to deceive customers.

RULE 7. No member of the Institute or its operating or managing officers shall be convicted of a felony involving business conduct or violation of environmental regulations which shall be considered as having damaged the reputation of this Institute, its members or the metal finishing industry.

A check is enclosed for the amount due based on the fee structure enclosed.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

APPLICATION FOR: CLASS I MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR

COMPANY NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

YEAR ESTABLISHED _____

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES _____

PHONE (____) _____

FAX (____) _____

E-MAIL _____

WEB _____

PRINCIPLE OFFICERS:

NAME _____

TITLE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

CMFI MAILINGS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE ATTENTION OF:

NAME _____

TITLE _____

DESCRIPTION OF YOUR OPERATION (SPECIFY)

CMFI SPONSOR: NAME _____

BUSINESS REFERENCES:

NAME ADDRESS PHONE

NAME ADDRESS PHONE

DATE COMPANY SIGNATURE

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DUES AND FEES

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP

APPLICATION FEE

An application fee of \$40.00 plus the first quarter's dues must accompany your completed application.

DUES STRUCTURE - Quarterly

The dues for membership in the Institute shall be paid at the beginning of each fiscal quarter in accordance with the following schedule:

ILLINOIS MEMBERS

1-10 employees	\$355.00/quarter
11-25 employees	\$370.00/quarter
26-40 employees	\$405.00/quarter
41-50 employees	\$420.00/quarter
51+ employees	\$450.00/quarter

WISCONSIN MEMBERS

1-10 employees	\$340.00/quarter
11-25 employees	\$355.00/quarter
26-40 employees	\$385.00/quarter
41-50 employees	\$400.00/quarter
51+ employees	\$430.00/quarter

MONTHLY CHARGES

All members will be billed monthly for any charges or assessments incurred the previous month. Payment for such charges shall be made to the Institute office within 10 days after receipt of invoice. Monthly charges normally include attendance at monthly dinner meetings or social events.

CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR MEMBERSHIP

APPLICATION FEE

None

DUES STRUCTURE - Annual

**CMFI MEMBERSHIP ONLY - \$800.00/year
(if already an MFSA Contributing Sponsor)**

JOINT NASF/CMFI

MEMBERSHIP - \$1,860/year