

Block Island Chamber of Commerce
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Services provided by the Block Island Chamber of Commerce

- * Promotion of your business through listings, the web and advertisements. The Travel Planner, sent to over 30,000 interested tourists annually, is a travel-sized detailed book containing all Chamber members. Advertising in the Travel Planner and the chamber web site is organized in house. Sent to tourists and travel groups, your listing or ad details the service, which you provide on Block Island.
- * Wedding related businesses can take advantage of our Wedding Planner, which is sent along with our Travel Planner to those planning a wedding on Block Island. Photographers, florists, and entertainment, are some of the businesses highlighted in this brochure.
- * Through a special insurance rate membership, businesses and individuals can enroll in medical and dental programs provided by different insurance groups at competitive rates. (401) 942-0966 Ext 101 or Email: lglew@mbagroup.com
- * The Chamber office is a mecca for tourist information. The blue & white information sign just outside our doorway attracts many tourists into our office. Once inside, they browse through our selection of brochures provided by Chamber members. Coupons, sale announcements, flyers, and menus are all welcome and we encourage all members to take advantage of this advertising opportunity.
- * Open year round, the Chamber office is staffed with trained tourist counselors. During the winter, the counselors send information to travel agencies, tourists, and groups interested in visiting Block Island. We also publicize Island events promoting a healthy business climate for the summer season to come. In the Spring, and Fall, we host various events aimed at highlighting the services of Chamber members and expanding the shoulder season. And finally, during the busy summer months, inquiries of all sorts are handled by our staff. Referrals of hotels, inns, B&B's, restaurants, and retail shops are provided daily.
- * Our Monthly meetings are hosted by Chamber members, which provide an opportunity for member involvement with important issues and decisions. Keeping everyone informed on important economic issues of concern as well as community events is one of the Chamber's goals.
- * Working with the Block Island Tourism Council, the Chamber keeps up to date on the Council's efforts to market Block Island. Jointly, our endeavors to serve the public and our members are enhanced.
- * Become a Chamber member and join 230 businesses and individuals who value our services.
- * Members joining solely for insurance benefits enjoy a reduced membership rate.
- * Members are entitled to a free listing on the Chamber of Commerce web site.

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Membership Application

Date: _____

Name of Business or Individual:

Type of Membership:

Commercial Individual Honorary Non-Profit

Type of Business:

Retail Restaurant Hotel Inn B&B

Transportation Real Estate Other

Name of Owner:

Island Address:

Mainland Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone Island: _____ Phone on Mainland: _____

Email: _____

Opening date of business: _____ Closing date: _____

Number of Rooms: _____ Number of (Restaurant) Seats: _____

Breakfast : _____ Handicap Access: _____ Air Conditioning: _____

Heat: _____ Children Welcome: _____ If so at what age: _____

Do you accept credit cards: _____

Amenities: (TV, VCR, telephone, bed size, private or shared bath, web site, etc.)

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Membership Fees

Base membership: \$115.00 per business

Multi-business: \$345.00 for 3 island businesses, each additional business is \$60.00

Realtors: \$175.00

Taxis: \$60.00 per taxi

Individual Members (for insurance only) \$50.00

Mainland Membership (for insurance only) \$75.00

Non-Profit Groups: \$35.00

Amount of your dues: _____

Surcharges:

Hotels, Inns or B&B's:

- * Rooms \$70.00 each
- * Apartments \$90.00 each
- * Cottages \$125.00 per unit

Restaurants:

- * Seats \$3.00 per seat - this is based on licensed seating capacity
- * Seats \$1.50 per seat (if you have a accommodation with over 11 rooms)

Transportation:

- Cars or Vans \$7.00 per vehicle
- Mopeds \$5.00 per moped
- Bikes \$1.50 per bike
- Ferry \$200.00 per ferry
- Plane: \$60.00 (which services BI in July & August on a typical day)

Total Surcharges: _____

Total Dues: _____

Amount due: _____

Date: _____

*** In order to be included in our Travel Planner, and chamber web site dues must be paid in full.*

***** Multi-businesses:** If only one of your businesses is a member of the Chamber, we can only advertise the Chamber member. Materials with the name of other businesses cannot be accepted.

** Mail your completed application and payment to: Block Island Chamber of Commerce, Drawer D, Block Island, RI 02807