



## Membership Letter and Application

**To:** Individuals Interested in [The Cleveland Coach Federation](http://www.ClevelandCoachFederation.org)  
**From:** Jim Smith, Chapter President  
**RE:** Welcome to the Cleveland Coach Federation, an ICF Chapter

### Member Information Package

## WHAT IS THE CLEVELAND COACH FEDERATION?

**The Cleveland Coach Federation (CCF)** ([www.ClevelandCoachFederation.org](http://www.ClevelandCoachFederation.org)) welcomes all professionals who are engaged in or seeking to learn more about coaching on either a part-time or full-time basis. CCF includes members who operate independently as well as those who work within a corporation. Our diverse membership includes executive coaches, personal coaches, youth coaches, and coaches who specialize in specific niches, such as career, retirement, relationships, marital, life balance, longevity, marketing, leadership, management, spirituality, and personal effectiveness.

We share a belief in the unlimited potential of people to learn and grow in their lives and careers. In support of the Theory of Abundance, we share ideas openly, to improve the collective knowledge and skill of **ALL** coaches -- "A rising tide lifts all ships"

We are the Cleveland-based affiliate chapter of the International Coach Federation, ([www.coachfederation.com](http://www.coachfederation.com)) the principal governing and credentialing body for the coaching industry. ICF is an international organization with over 14,000 members in 80 countries and 150 chapters in 42 countries.

## WHO JOINS CLEVELAND COACH FEDERATION?

Anyone who wants to learn how to coach or become a better coach can join CCF. Our membership includes all types of coaches:

- Personal, executive, life, small business, corporate and internal coaches;
- Other professionals such as counselors, therapists, advisors, consultants, mentors and managers;
- Individuals who have received coach training in a coach school/university and want to practice or learn from those who have attended different training models;
- Credentialed coaches who seek CEUs to maintain their professional development
- Individuals who are already coaching successfully and want to access new resources to open new markets and new thinking.
- Individuals who are considering or planning to become coaches and want to explore the newest human performance improvement field – **coaching!**



## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

### ***Professional Development and Networking Meetings***

**CCF** meetings provide you with an opportunity to network, acquire new techniques and ideas, share best practices, discuss ways to build your business, and create and contribute to a community of coaches who support and encourage one another in the development of the coaching profession.

We meet monthly, the second Friday morning of each month from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Rockside/Independence area south of Cleveland. We occasionally hold evening meetings or weekend (Saturday) workshops and programs to provide additional opportunities for education and networking. Dates and locations for the additional meetings will be distributed to all individuals on the **CCF** ListServ (see below).

### ***Yahoo Groups ListServ***

All **CCF** chapter communication is sent electronically via a low-traffic listserv thru YahooGroups. This is a convenient way to communicate about upcoming meetings as well as providing you with a way to connect with the coaches in this area when you have specific business or resource questions. The listserv is not a vehicle for promotion or marketing to members of the list. Membership on the listserv is open to anyone, and is NOT equivalent to membership in the chapter. If you are not already on the listserv, send an email request to [info@clevelandcoachfederation.org](mailto:info@clevelandcoachfederation.org). Add [ICFClevelandChapter@yahoogroups.com](mailto:ICFClevelandChapter@yahoogroups.com) to your "friends" list in your email service.

### ***Website listing for Members***

In 2008, CCF will move our fledgling website from info-only to interactive status with the addition of a member listing with links back to members' own websites. Watch for information on this additional benefit for MEMBERS ONLY. The listing will be coordinated with media releases.

### ***Discounts and Services***

Also in early 2008, look for a Discounts and Services page on our website. We have negotiated Member discounts for numerous Coach Training and support programs, including:

- Waiver of initial registration fees for new merchant accounts thru Practice Pay Solutions, a coach-industry partner
- A Tuition Scholarship of 10% for programs run thru the Gestalt International Coaching Program (an ICF-accredited program) and the Gestalt Center for Organizational and Systems Development
- A 10% Tuition discount for the Five Rings programs in the Language of Movement
- A 10% tuition discount for the Registered Corporate Coach program run thru the Worldwide Association of Business Coaches
- Package discounts on coaching client programs and a 15% discount on services thru Good To Go Coaching

See links at our site, [www.ClevelandCoachFederation.org](http://www.ClevelandCoachFederation.org)

**MEMBERSHIP DUES and GUEST FEES**

- Individuals interested in becoming **CCF members** may pay Annual Chapter Activity Fee of \$25.00\*\*
- Individuals who do not wish to join **CCF** may attend up to two meetings each year as a **guest** and pay a \$5.00 fee at the beginning of each meeting.
- Membership in **ICF is highly encouraged, and is in addition to annual dues for CCF membership.**

If paying by **Check**, make payable to ***Cleveland Coach Federation.***

If paying by **Credit Card**, please complete form at bottom of application (next page)

\*\*Please note that payment of membership dues entitles member to free attendance at ***regular chapter meetings ONLY.*** For many supplemental/special programs there will be a separate charge for CCF members and guests – members typically pay a reduced rate.



### Cleveland Coach Federation Membership Application

Please provide ALL the following information with your dues payment: Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Title you give yourself: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name (or type "none"): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: OH Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Land Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

URL/Website Address (or type "none"): \_\_\_\_\_

ICF Member?: No  Yes  ICF Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please define your current coaching status (pick 1).

- Exploring Coaching       Part-Time Coaching       Full-Time Coaching

Describe the type of coaching services that you currently provide (pick up to 3).

- Career       Personal       Business       Small Business
- Entrepreneur       Spiritual       Executive/Leadership
- Relationships       Health/Wellness       Other \_\_\_\_\_

Of the services you checked above, which would you consider your primary service?

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**Dues Payment -- \$25 Annually**

Cash (Please DO NOT MAIL CASH!)

Check (payable to Cleveland Coach Federation)      Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my credit card

Visa       MasterCard       Discover

Account Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on the card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed application and payment to  
Sherry Watts, CCF Treasurer, PO Box 45332, Westlake OH 44145-0332  
**OR** to our main office, Cleveland Coach Federation, PO Box 32163, Cleveland OH 44132