



CRAOL

The Community Radio Forum of Ireland
Fóram Raidió Pobail na hÉireann

From Standing Orders:

1. ETHOS

Craol will encourage all members to operate their community radio stations in accordance with the AMARC/Europe Charter for Community Radio.¹ Craol will develop a collaborative network of radio stations supporting this ethos, offering each member solidarity, support, and shared resources.

2. MEMBERSHIP

Full Membership

Full membership of Craol is open to all BAI licensed Community Radio Stations, provided they can demonstrate adherence to the AMARC Charter for Community Radio. They should be able to demonstrate a not-for-profit, democratic ownership model and a commitment to tolerance, free flow of information, editorial independence and seek to honestly inform their listeners on the basis of information drawn from a wide diversity of sources, relevant to their community or community of interest. As per the definition of community radio, adopted by the licensing body (BAI) ².

Membership Representation

Full Members will be asked annually to nominate a named representative to attend the Craol Annual General Meeting with speaking and voting rights.

Associate Membership

Associate membership of Craol is available to:

- 1) BAI licensed community radio stations which have not taken out shares in Craol.
- 2) Aspirant Pre-licensed Stations at various stages of development.
- 3) Licensed community radio stations - which are members of the Community Media Council of NI.
- 4) Not-for profit organisations which support our aims, or interested individuals with relevant skills or experience beneficial to Craol.

Associate Members Entitlements

Associate Members may attend Forum meetings in Observer status (i.e., non-voting capacity). With the exception of Associate Members 1, attendance at any Craol event and meeting is at the cost of the Associate member.

At the discretion of the Coordination Committee, Associate Members can collectively nominate one voting representative to the Forum.

3. SHARES

Licensed community radio stations accepted into membership, shall take €25 in shares in the Society. This sum may be altered for new members by an AGM of Craol where notice of such change shall be circulated to members prior to the AGM.

4. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

The annual membership subscription shall be approved each year at the Craol AGM. For the present it shall be set at:

<u>Full Membership:</u>	€ 150 Per Annum
<u>Associate Membership:</u>	€ 75 Per Annum

These should be paid annually through a bank standing order.