



PLEASE READ AND SIGN THIS FORM AND SEND WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM.

Membership of Doula UK Ltd.

Doula UK Limited (the Company) is a company incorporated in England & Wales with registered number 6771278, and its registered office is at 6 Sandland Road, Willenhall, West Midlands, WV12 5EB.

By completing and returning this membership application form you are applying to become a member of the Company.

The Board, as Directors of the Company, will receive all applications for membership of the Company and will, provided that the application is approved, admit each applicant as a member of the Company. There is nothing further you need to do.

There is no extra fee beyond your annual membership fee for becoming a member of the Company, although you should note that you may be required to pay £1.00 (one pound) if the Company is ever wound up.

To apply to become a member of the Company, please read and sign the declaration below:

I hereby apply to become a member of Doula UK Limited (the Company) and agree to be bound by the memorandum and articles of association of the Company and any rules or byelaws adopted by the Company in accordance with its memorandum and articles. I agree to contribute such amount as may be required, not exceeding £1.00 (one pound), to the Company's assets in the event that the Company is wound up while I am a member or within one year of my ceasing to be a member.

Signed: **Name:**

Date:

If you have any queries regarding the Company-please contact:

Kate McCarthy-Harris (*Doula UK Limited* Membership Secretary) **Tel:** 07901 570105 or **Email** membership@doula.org.uk



MEMBERSHIP FORM FOR NEW APPLICANTS 2010

Please complete (USING CAPITAL LETTERS ONLY) and return this form along with your payment and any supporting evidence to: **Doula UK Membership Secretary, 9 Witham Drive, Chapel Hill, Lincolnshire, LN4 4PY.**

Section 1: Contact Details

Title: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

County: _____ Postcode: _____ Country: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Fax: _____

Company: _____

Please note that Doula UK will only provide a link to member web sites that are specifically about their doula services. If your site lists a number of services of which your Doula services are just one, please provide the address of a specific doula services page. You must display the Doula UK logo and a link to Doula UK on your website.

Website URL: _____

Have you previously been a member of Doula UK? Yes No

If the answer is YES, in which year did your membership expire?

Do you have access to the Internet? Yes No

- I wish to subscribe to the Doula UK Newsletter (sent out by post 1-3 times per year)
- I wish to subscribe to the Doula UK E-Bulletin (sent out by email only 3 - 4 times a year)

Doula UK will keep this registration information on a database so that we can keep in contact with you. We will not pass this information on to anyone else, unless you are a doula and have specifically requested that we do so under the circumstances described below (please tick relevant boxes to indicate your agreement):

- I agree that Doula UK can pass on my details to:
- Parents-to-be enquiring about doulas in their area
 - Other doulas
 - Journalists / Researchers

I agree that Doula UK can display the following details on the “Find a Doula” pages of the website. (Not applicable if you are joining as a “Friend of Doula UK”)

- My home telephone number
- My business/work telephone number (if applicable)
- My mobile telephone number (if applicable)
- My email and website address (if applicable)

If your contact details change in the future and you have access to the Internet you can update your details by logging in to the Doula UK website. Information about how to log in to the website will be sent to you once your application has been processed. If you do not have access to the internet and your contact details change, or you wish to be removed from the database, please contact us. By completing and signing this membership application you are confirming your willingness for us to keep your details for the purposes outlined above.

Section 2: Your Membership Application

There are 3 categories of Doula UK membership as follows: Please read carefully

(1) **Recognised Doula** - a Doula who is experienced, has completed a Doula UK recognised course/s and Doula UK’s mentoring and Recognition Process as described on the website and agreed to work within Doula UK’s Philosophy, Code of Conduct and other Policies/Procedures - membership fee £50.00

(Pro-rotta membership fee of *£25.00 applies between 1st July - 31st December each year for *new members only. Previously lapsed DUK members will be required to pay the full £50.00 membership fee when rejoining DUK unless they meet the criteria to apply for the membership concession rate of £25.00. The doula must work in the UK.

(2) **Trainee Doula** - a trainee Doula must have completed a Doula UK recognised course/s, have supplied Doula UK with copies of references and/or evidence of that training Once she has started working with her Assessor Mentor (AM) and not before, her name will appear as ‘trainee doula’ on the Find a Doula page of the website allowing her to offer her services, at a reduced fee (expenses for birth work and reduced hourly rate for postnatal work) until she has fulfilled the necessary criteria for Recognition - membership fee £50.00.

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The fees for assessment are £20 per record and £20 for the Recognition Interview i.e. £100. Discuss with your AM whether she would prefer you to pay this as you progress or at the end of the process. If you are doing both birth and postnatal work you may be able to complete together with one Interview (£180) otherwise it will be £100 for each process. *Please note, if it is necessary for you to undertake more than 4 jobs to complete your Recognition, your AM will not charge any extra. The doula must work in the UK.*

(3) **Friend of Doula UK** - those who are not working doulas but who are interested in and want to support our network and wish to receive our regular newsletter and e-news can become “Friend of Doula UK” by simply completing the necessary sections of the membership application form and paying a subscription fee of £20.00. This category of membership may include individuals who would like to become doulas in the future but who, as yet, have no training or experience. The fee for overseas “Friends” is £25.00 to cover the extra cost of postage for the newsletter. Please note that there is no pro rata arrangement for “Friend of Doula UK” membership - The Friend of DUK membership fee is £20.00 throughout the year or £25.00 throughout the year if member is overseas.

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Depending on what category of membership you hold will determine what other benefits you receive:

Benefit of membership	Recognised doula	Trainee doula	Friend of Doula UK
Postal newsletter (1-3 times per year)	✓	✓	✓
E-Bulletin (Approx 3 - 4 times per year)	✓	✓	✓
Discounted access to Doula UK Study Days/Events and Other Activities	✓	✓	✓
Regular email news/updates	✓	✓	✓
Membership of regional group nearest to you	✓	✓	✓
Access to Members' Section of website	✓	✓	✓
Doula UK professionally produced leaflet to use with your clients (to buy)	✓	✓	
Access to Doula Online Forum	✓	✓	
Name and Contact Info can be displayed on "Find A Doula" section of website	✓	✓	
Option to have "Doulaography" (profile about doula work) - at additional £10 per year	✓	✓	
Discounted insurance scheme, only available via DUK for DUK doulas.	✓	✓	
"Recognised" status will show on "Find A Doula" section of website	✓		

Please tick all that apply: I am applying for:

- "Recognised birth doula" membership "Recognised postnatal doula" membership
 "Trainee birth doula" membership "Trainee postnatal doula" membership

*I can confirm that I have read and agree to abide by the following:

- Doula UK's Philosophy
- Doula UK Code of Conduct
- and other Doula UK Policies/Procedures.

Signed:..... Date:

***PLEASE NOTE THAT MEMBERSHIP FORM WILL NOT BE PROCESSED IF THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS NOT SIGNED AND DATED. THOSE APPLYING FOR 'FRIENDS OF DUK' MEMBERSHIP ARE NOT REQUIRED TO SIGN THE ABOVE STATEMENT.**

- "Friend of Doula UK" membership

Please explain your interest in our network below if applying for 'Friend of Doula UK' membership:

Section 3: About Your Doula Work

Are you currently or about to start working as a doula? Yes No

What training have you received that is relevant to the role of a doula?
(Please provide relevant photocopies of course/attendance as proof of training. Please attach additional sheets if necessary).

Date / Period	Training/Course undertaken	Assessment undertaken

Skills Database:

Do you have any skills which you would like to share with other doulas? These do not need to be limited to pregnancy, birth, or postnatal skills and experiences, but also IT and PR skills, writing or research skills. Please list any below and one of the DUK Board will contact you soon to discuss your skills further. Thank you for your help and support with the skills database

Do you provide any other services for your clients (eg: massage, reflexology etc)?
 Yes No

If yes, please list them:

Do you speak any other languages fluently enough to be able to offer doula support to a foreign national?

Yes No

If yes, please list these languages:

Would you be willing to be a regional representative for your area?
 Yes No

If you answer "yes" to this question, one of the Doula UK volunteers may contact you to discuss this further if a rep is needed in your area. Doula UK's preference is that regional representatives are experienced doulas but we are aware that that is not always possible in all areas.

Doula UK is run entirely by doulas who volunteer their time and skills to do the various roles within the network whilst juggling their own doula work, families and other commitments. Would you be willing to offer voluntary admin help to Doula UK?

Yes

No

If you answer "yes" to this question, one of the Doula UK volunteers may contact you to discuss this further.

Geographical area(s) that you cover:

Northwest England
 East Midlands
 Greater London
 West Country
 Northern Ireland

Northeast England
 West Midlands
 Home Counties - North
 Scotland
 Ireland

Yorkshire and Humberside
 East Anglia
 Home Counties - South
 Wales

Other:

North America

UK

South America

Europe

Australia

Optional:

Detail the areas in which you are able to work e.g. Walsall, Wolverhampton, Telford etc. This information will be added to your personal profile on the Find a Doula page.

Section 4: Membership Fee Payment

DOULA UK MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY 1ST - DECEMBER 31ST EACH YEAR.

The membership fee for 2010 is **£50.00** (**£25.00** if you qualify for the concessionary membership fee or if you are applying for membership during July and December and you have never been a member of DUK before). **Previously lapsed DUK members will be required to pay the full £50.00 membership fee when rejoining DUK unless they meet the criteria to apply for the membership concession rate of £25.00.**

Further information regarding the membership concession rate can be found below. You can pay either by cheque (made payable to "Doula UK") by a standing order or an electronic payment via your bank (as long as you give your full name as a reference against the credit on Doula UK's account - otherwise we do not know who the payment may be from).

Doula UK's bank details are:

Barclays Bank

Account Name: Doula UK

Sort Code: 20-58-51

Account Number: 7020 9031

CONCESSIONARY MEMBERSHIP FEE. If you are a previously lapsed DUK member rejoining DUK and you are applying for the concessionary membership fee of **£25.00** **YOU MUST PROVIDE EVIDENCE THAT YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN RECEIPT OF THE FOLLOWING STATE BENEFITS: Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance and Working Tax/Child Tax Credits.**

SUCH EVIDENCE CAN BE IN THE FORM OF A PHOTOCOPY OF A LETTER FROM THE BENEFITS AGENCY OR WORKING TAX/CHILD TAX CREDIT AWARD NOTICE OR A BANK STATEMENT. This evidence must accompany your membership application at the time of renewing your membership. The evidence will then be destroyed by the Membership Secretary immediately once the membership renewal application has been processed.

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Please tick and complete amount as appropriate:

- Recognised or Trainee Doula Membership: £50.00 £_____

(The pro-rotta 2010 membership fee when joining between July and December is £25.00. The pro-rotta membership fee is only applicable to members who have never previously been a member of DUK unless they meet the criteria to pay the concession rate). Previously lapsed DUK members will be required to pay the full £50.00 when rejoining DUK unless they meet the criteria to apply for the membership concession rate of £25.00)

(Mentoring and assessment fees are paid directly to your AM)

- Concessionary Membership fee Recognised or Trainee Doula Membership: £25.00 £_____

Which state benefit(s) are you in receipt of?.....

(If applying for the concessionary membership fee of £25.00, you must provide evidence of state benefits e.g. letter from Benefits Agency or Tax Credit Award Notice)

(Mentoring and assessment fees are paid directly to your AM)

OR

- Friend of Doula UK Membership: £20.00 if in the UK or £25.00 if overseas £_____

In addition, please consider these options:

- Doulaography £10.00 for the year 2010 £_____

(A Doulaography is a Doula CV or a detailed profile which is displayed on the 'Find a Doula' page of the DUK website)

NB. Only for trainee doulas and recognised doulas - if you purchase a Doulaography then once your membership form has been processed, go to the Doula UK website, log in and go to 'modify your details' under the log-in menu. You can then add the content of your Doulaography to your membership profile.

- Donation to Hardship Fund £_____

Please if you can, help support the Hardship Fund as without the donations from our members and the general public we can't keep this service going. Every little helps.

TOTAL: £_____

- I enclose my cheque/postal order for £_____ payable to "Doula UK"
- I have set up a standing order/electronic payment which was processed on _____(date) in the amount of £_____ with my FULL name as the transaction reference.

Signed:..... Date:.....

Please now complete the equal opportunities monitoring form below.

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Section 5: Equal Opportunities Monitoring

The following questions allow us to compile statistical information on the Doulas that are members of the Doula UK for research and funding purposes only.

Please tick the relevant boxes

ST1. Your age group?

- 25 and under
- 26 - 34
- 35 - 44
- 45 - 54
- 55 - 64
- 65 and over

ST2. Your gender? Female Male

ST3. What is your ethnic origin?

- White
- Chinese
- Irish
- Indian
- Black African
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Black Caribbean
- Black Other
Please specify below
- Other Asian
please specify below
- Other
please specify below

ST4. Is English your first language? Yes No

If No, what is your first language?

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE SIGNED AND DATED THE MEMBERSHIP FORM AND RETURN IT ALONG WITH YOUR PAYMENT AND PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR DOULA UK APPROVED DOULA COURSE AND ANY OTHER SUPPORTING EVIDENCE TO:

**Doula UK Membership Secretary,
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