



Texas Floodplain Management Association

Policy: Life Members

Approved by TFMA Board on March 12, 2026

A. Purpose

To define the TFMA Life member designation.

B. Application

The policy would apply to all full TFMA members.

C. Background

TFMA currently has a Life Member status available for those who have been full members of TFMA for a minimum of 25 years. In addition, TFMA has a Retired Member designation. Both of these member categories have the tendency of being less involved with the Association. This lack of participation results with a loss of knowledge and experience that benefit our membership. As an incentive to keep these members involved with TFMA, the Life Member designation will be offered consisting of the following:

1. TFMA membership for a minimum of 25 years.
2. Eligible to receive a waiver of annual TFMA membership fee.
3. Eligible to vote in TFMA elections.

D. Policy

It shall be the policy of TFMA to have a Life Member category for those who have been individual full members of TFMA for a minimum of 25 years. An incentive for Life Member designation will include a waiver of the TFMA annual membership fee.

E. Definitions

1. Life Member

- a. A TFMA member who has been a full TFMA member for a minimum of 25 years.
- b. Life Members will qualify for a waiver of TFMA annual membership fee.
- c. Life members are eligible to vote in TFMA elections.

2. Annual TFMA Membership Renewal

- a. The annual TFMA membership fee for Life Members will be waived.
 - b. For Life Members who are also Certified Floodplain Managers (CFMs), the annual CFM CEC documentation will be required and CFM renewal fee shall be collected to cover basic record-keeping and administrative costs.
 - c. The member needs to notify the Executive Office that they qualify for the waiver of the annual membership fee.
3. **Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM)**
- a. A person who has successfully passed the CFM Exam and taken the required continuing educational requirements to remain in good standing.

F. Procedure

- 1. A completed Life Member Application shall be submitted to the Executive Office.
- 2. Once the Life Member status has been obtained, during the TFMA annual membership renewal process, the member will contact the Executive Office to update their status with TFMA (active, not active).
- 3. The Life Member TFMA annual membership renewal fee will be waived.
- 4. For Life Members who are also CFM's, annual CEC documentation will be required and CFM renewal fee shall be collected to cover basic record-keeping and administrative costs.