

RESPONSIBLE JEWELLERY COUNCIL

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR LARGE GROUPS

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Step 1. Send Organogram & Entities List

Please email applications@responsiblejewellery.com and attach an **organogram** and a **list of all entities** under the control of (beneficial ownership of 50% or more) the parent company.

In the list of all entities, please include the following information for each entity.

- one sentence describing business activity;
- all RJC materials handled by the entity (leave empty if n/a);
- country of registration;
- number of employees.

In response, the RJC team will advise you which entities are in RJC Membership Scope.

Next, for each entity in scope, please upload all documents listed in this checklist, via the applications portal.

Step 2. Submit application

- To speed up the processing of your application, in each document, please highlight all company names, director names, company tax numbers, names and ownership percentages of shareholders owning 20% and above, using a yellow highlighting tool.
- Please upload 1 **zip folder** per entity, containing all documents relating to that entity. The folder's name must be the name of the legal entity.
- Please name each document clearly, for example "Entity Name Business Registration Doc"

Checklist Legend

	Required Document	\checkmark
Must include	Key information which must be present on the document	\checkmark
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Guidance Clarification for your convenience.

	Group Organogram	
Must include	All parent companies	
Must include	All subsidiary companies under the control of (beneficial ownership of 50% or more) the parent company	
Must include	Names and ownership percentages of shareholders owning 20% and above	
Must include	All facilities, if applicable	

What is a facility		
A facility is a separate site at a		
different location, but not a		
separate legal entity. This		
could be retail stores, trading		
offices, manufacturing sites,		

and warehouses.

Example of a multi-layered, complex structure typical of a large organisation.



	Business registration document for each entity in scope	
Must include & please highlight	Entity name Address Start date	
If applicable	Notarised translation. See below guidance.	

Language	Document in original language accepted from all EEA countries. Other non-English documents must be submitted together with a notarised translation .
If unable to provide translation	 Or, if unable to provide a translation, the original document will be accepted If signed and stamped by Notary, confirming in English that the document is indeed a business registration document in line with local legislation
If unable to notarise	If unable to submit notarised documents, we can accept an attestation from a lawyer, solicitor, barrister or chartered accountant.
If applicable	Must submit business registration for all parastatal companies or trusts that own 20% or above.

	Bank reference letter	
Must include	Bank account number	
Must include	Bank account (authorised individuals)	

If unable to	Or , if the bank is unwilling to provide a letter, we will accept
provide	 a letter from a Chartered Accountant confirming the account number and signatories

	Passport ID - For all Board Directors/Owners within RJC scope	
Must include	Expiry date, no later than 6 months	
If unable to provide	 Or, if unable to provide passport, then we will accept ID card or drivers licence with an expiry date no later than 6 months 	

	Official document confirming company tax number	
Must include & please highlight	Tax number	
Accepted documents	 Please submit an official document which confirms the tax number. We can accept an invoice on which the tax number is stated. 	

	Or , if you are unable to provide this, then we can accept:
If unable to	a list of VAT numbers for each company
provide	on company letterhead
	signed by director/owner or an authorised officer

	Official document confirming name and ownership percentage of shareholders	
Not required if	* Not required if your business registration document includes names and ownership percentages of all shareholders.	
Must include & please highlight	Names and ownership percentages of shareholders who own 20% or above.	
If applicable	Notarised translation. See below guidance.	

Language	Non-English documents must be signed and stamped by a Notary.
If unable to provide	 Or, if unable to provide this, we will accept an English letter with: Company name Names and ownership percentages of directors and/or shareholders Signed and stamped by a Notary
If unable to notarise	If unable to submit notarised documents, we can accept an attestation from a lawyer, solicitor, barrister or chartered accountant.
Guidance	May be called Articles / Memoranda of Incorporation, Bylaws, Deeds of Partnership. It is a legal document that outlines the rules and regulations of an organization. It contains the names of all the subscribers, i.e. the people who were there at the founding point of the company, and a set of rules that govern how the company is run.

	Anti-Money Laundering policy	
Must include	AML policy on company letterhead and/or website link to policy.	
lf unable to provide	 Or, if you do not have an AML policy, we will accept a statement on company letterhead stating that the applicant follows AML requirements signed by director/owner 	

Guidance	An AML policy describes procedures to prevent and detect money laundering or terrorist financing.
	AML may be referred to by different names or acronyms in various countries.

Upon reviewing the application, further information / documentation may be required.

If Applicable:

Licences	Any national or state licenses to export or import precious stones or precious metals.
	Any national or state licenses to mine or trade precious stones or precious metals.
Reports	Copy of or electronic link to any recent reports, financial or otherwise, published by applicant company.

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