

L.A. Flower District Association / Badge Program

2023 Membership Information • www.laflowerdistrict.com

Who can become a member?

Membership is open to florists, floral-trade related businesses, and to vendors who hold valid, proper and legal resale certificates.

What are the benefits from this program?

Direct benefits from the program include wholesale only shopping during wholesale hours to provide better shopping conditions for the trade, free validated parking during market day wholesale hours, and faster service due to a uniform record keeping system of resale numbers.

What are the fees to register?

Membership Fees is \$80.00 for the 2023 Calendar Year Only. The membership fee includes two (2) membership badges. Extra or Replacement Badges are available anytime for \$5.00 each. 2023 membership badges will expire on January 1 st , 2024. Membership fees are not prorated.

What if I forget my badge?

A "Temporary Pass" is available at the main entrance (754 Wall Street) to registered members who forget, their membership badge.

What are the market hours?

Trade / Wholesale Only Hours are:

Monday - Friday	4:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
Saturday	5:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.

Non Trade / Public Hours are:

Monday - Friday	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday	6:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

How does this program effect the parking situation?

There is FREE PARKING FOR TRADE BADGE HOLDERS ONLY. Parking is validated for Trade badge holders at the main entrance to the L.A. Flower Market (754 Wall St.) before 8:00 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Please Note: Registered Members shopping during public hours will be required to pay for parking.

How carefully will this program be monitored?

There are approximately 10 security door monitors checking for membership badges at the various entrances to the markets. To ensure the program's continued success, we ask for all Flower District members to please remember to wear your membership badge. Although we realize the program is not by any means full proof, please remember that this is a program subject to all the positives and negatives of building a foundation from the ground up.

How do I become a member of the Badge Program?

Please fill out the attached Application Form and Resale Card completely and submit both items to the above address. Please allow 10 business days for your application to be processed before picking up your membership badges at the main entrance of the Los Angeles Flower Market anytime Monday to Saturday from 5 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

Remember to attach a copy of your CA Board of Equalization Resale Certificate or the processing of your application will be delayed.

Thank you for your continued support!

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2023 Application for New Trade Members (Valid from Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2023)

1. Owner's Name of the Business: (Print Clearly) _____

2. Home Address: _____

City & State: _____ Zip Code: _____

3. Home Telephone #: _____

4. Name of Business: _____

5. Business Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

6. Email Address: _____

7. Business Telephone: _____ FAX #: _____

8. Type of Business: (Please Check One)

Retail Florist Wholesale Florist Interior Decorator Caterer Other (Pls. specify) _____

9. Resale Certificate Number from California State Board of Equalization: _____

Important! In the event the CA. State Board informs us your Resale Number is Invalid or Closed...your application will NOT be processed and there will be NO cash refunds

10. Membership Includes Two (2) Membership Badges. Additional Badges available at \$5.00 each. Please Print the Names of Individuals as you want them to appear on your Badges: (Not Required).

Badge #1: _____ Badge #4: (\$5.00 extra) _____

Badge #2: _____ Badge #5: (\$5.00 extra) _____

Badge #3: (\$5.00 extra) _____ Badge #6: (\$5.00 extra) _____

\$80.00 =Year 2023 Membership Only (Expires January 1st, 2024)

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Date: _____ Check/Money Order Cash

Signature: _____

Please make checks payable to: " L.A.F.D.A." Please Also Enclose.(a) Your completed application and resale card, (b) A copy of your California State Board of Equalization Resale Certificate, (c) Your Payment.

Mail documents to: L.A.F.D.A., 766 Wall St., L.A., CA, 90014.*Important: BADGES WILL NOT BE MAILED OUT. Please allow 10 business days for your application to be processed before picking up your badges.

Important Notice from the State Board of Equalization concerning purchases "for resale" Misuse of Resale Certificates.

One of the rights granted to holders of seller's permits is the authority to issue resale certificates for merchandise they intend to resell. The permit is NOT a "Buyer's" license to purchase property at wholesale for personal or business use, to decorate one's home. Such misuse of a resale certificate for the purpose of evading payment of the sales or use tax or for personal gain constitutes a violation of the Law. Those persons who are found to have made illegal use of their permits may be subject to one or more of the following penalties:

1. Criminal prosecution. This could lead to a fine up to \$5,000, imprisonment up to one year, for each offense.
2. A minimum penalty of \$500 or 10% of the amount of tax due, whichever is more, for each misuse.
3. A 25% penalty for fraud, or intent to evade the tax, on all unreported tax liability.
4. Revocation of the seller's permit. BT-519 REV.2 (8-84) (CPPM 265,040) State Board of Equalization.