

Professional Assessment & Membership Form

To qualify as a professional member in The Word Guild, you must have a sufficient body of work. Combine any of the following for a total of 50 points to qualify for professional membership.

Note: Works cited in this application must have been published/produced/performed (i.e. works in progress don't count).

Type of Work (Paid work)	Points
Print periodical articles, stories, reviews, columns	1 point per 500 words published (e.g. a 2,000-word article equals 4 points)
Major writing projects (e.g. manuals, promotional campaigns, government reports)	10 points each
Radio or television documentaries, plays, screenplays	1 point per 5 minutes of performance time
Published books, fewer than 40,000 words	15 points each
Published books, more than 40,000 words	25 points each
Poetry/Song	2 points for every poem/song published in a paying market (1 poem/song per issue of a publication)
Editing	1 point for every 4 hours of paid editorial work
Other	May be allowed at the discretion of the membership committee Send an inquiry describing your experience.

All professional membership applications are subject to peer review. Please allow a month or two for this process.



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Please type your answers or print legibly in black ink. Print additional sheets as needed.

SKILL: Writing or Editing	TITLE:	LENGTH: # words, hours, or	TYPE OF WORK: (script, poem, novel, song, manual, article etc.)	HIRED BY: Name of Publisher, Client, or Producer	POINTS:
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(Fill in only at the end; not necessary on each page.)					

Please mail this form along with your membership payment to: The Word Guild, Box 77001,
 Markham, ON L3P 0C8 Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

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