



BAG Membership Application Process

The British Aviation Group is the leading representative body for British companies involved in aviation and airport development and operations. We work with UK Department for Business and Trade to help global aviation clients connect with the world class expertise of the British aviation sector. We represent around 200 member companies from across the supply chain including world leaders in all aspects of aviation.

Membership benefits extend to your whole organisation. Joining BAG offers access to business development support, a programme of in-person and digital events, informed knowledge and expertise in specialist areas.

Application Procedure

1. BAG Membership Application forms are available on the BAG website including the current subscription fees.
2. Any company wishing to apply for BAG membership shall complete the application form and return it to the BAG Secretariat.
3. Each application will be reviewed against the membership criteria outlined on the BAG website, and / or application form by the BAG Secretariat and any further questions clarified with the applying company.
4. All applications will be circulated and reviewed by the BAG Membership WG with a final decision made at the regular BAG Membership WG meetings held approximately every 4-6 weeks.
5. If the BAG Membership WG cannot reach a decision the application will be passed on to the BAG Board to be considered at their next meeting. BAG Board meetings are held on a quarterly basis and their decision shall be final and binding.
6. All applying companies will be notified of the outcome of their membership application within 5 working days of the next scheduled BAG Membership WG meeting.

Appeals Procedure

1. Where an application has been rejected, the applicant will be informed in writing of the reasons for such a rejection and the right to appeal against the decision. All appeals shall be sent in writing to the BAG Secretariat within 7 days of such a notification.
2. All appeals will be considered by the BAG Board at their next meeting occurring after the rejection. The BAG Board reserve the right to accept or overturn the Membership Committee's decision during the appeal and their decision will be final. If the BAG Board uphold the Membership Working Group to reject an application to join BAG then that company will not be eligible to apply for and be reconsidered for Membership for the following 12 months.

Eligibility Criteria

In order to join BAG a company must demonstrate compliance with the following criteria:

1. A potential member must provide evidence that they **trade in the UK** (e.g. link to Companies House registration)
2. A potential member must not act in any way as to bring the name of BAG into disrepute. Membership may be terminated should this occur, examples of such might include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Contravention of export control laws
 - b. Directly or indirectly discrediting BAG

In addition, a company must demonstrate compliance with one of the following criteria:

3. Companies with UK headquartered and registered office with activity in aviation

Membership is open to any company with a UK headquartered and registered office or base with activity in aviation which benefits the UK (i.e. providing an economic value to the UK economy from the company's operation – either by value added in the UK economy or in exports).

4. Companies with UK headquarters and registered office with an interest in the aviation sector

Membership is open to **any company with a UK headquartered and registered office** or base and conducting business in the UK, with an interest in the aviation sector; i.e. seeking to achieve business in the aviation sector.

5. UK registered subsidiaries of foreign owned companies

- a. that currently conduct aviation business within and from the UK are also eligible for membership provided that they are adding economic value to the UK through UK activity such as design, manufacturing, servicing, installation, aftermarket support. A pure sales operation does not meet the criteria and is not eligible for membership. The proportion of the business conducted in the UK should not be insignificant as a proportion of the overall business conducted by the organisation.
- b. UK registered subsidiaries of foreign owned companies that currently do not yet conduct aviation business in the UK but are seeking to achieve business within the aviation sector can be deemed eligible if they fulfil the criteria of adding economic value to the UK through other sectors they are already active in.