



## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

MURA BADULGAL (TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER) CORPORATION RNTBC

I, .....  
(first name of applicant) (last name of applicant)  
of

.....  
(address of applicant)

hereby apply for membership of Mura Badulgal (TSI) Corporation RNTBC

I declare that I am eligible for membership.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

*The application to be approved as per the Mura Badulgal objectives, detailed below*

### **Who is eligible?**

A member must be:

- at least 18 years of age; and
- a Common Law Holder of native title, regardless as to whether they reside at Badu Island or elsewhere.

*“The people of Badu, being those persons who are members of the cognatic descent groups deriving from the following apical ancestors: Getawan, Sagul, Uria, Baira, Inor, Zimoia, Newar, Sagigi, Jawa, Wairu, Paipe, Waria, Kamui, Mabua, Laza, Walit, Namagoin, Mariget, Bazi, Ugarie, Karud, Dauwardi, Gizu, Aupau and Zarzar;*

*Membership of these groups is recognised by virtue of socially recognised biological descent or by traditional adoption. Traditional adoption in the context of Torres Strait Islander society has the same meaning as that described in the Oxford Concise Dictionary being, to take (a person) into a relationship, esp. another’s child as one’s own.”*

### **How to become a member**

A person applies in writing.

A person is eligible under rule 4.1.

The directors agree.

The person’s name, address and date they became a member is put on the register of members.

The directors may refuse to accept a membership application. If they do, they must notify the applicant in writing of the decision and the reasons for it.

### **Members’ rights**

A member:

- can attend, speak and vote at general meetings
- can be made a director
- can put forward resolutions at general meetings
- can ask the directors to call a general meeting
- can look at the books and records of the corporation (if the directors have authorised them to do this, or if the members have passed a resolution which lets them do this).

### **Members’ responsibilities**

A member:

- must follow these rules
- lets the corporation know if they change their address
- treats other members with respect

### **Liability of members**

Members do not have to pay corporation debts if the corporation is wound up.