



# Edinburgh & District Advanced Motorcyclists

Scottish Charity SC023692 - Affiliated to the Institute of Advanced Motorists



## Membership Application Form

Please read the accompanying notes and then complete all applicable entries in **CAPITALS**.  
Optional details are marked with an asterisk \*

### *Personal Details:*

Last Name	
First Name	
Middle Name(s)*	
Known as (Bob, Andy, etc)*	
Title (Mr, Miss, Dr, etc)*	
Address Line 1	
Address Line 2*	
Town / City	
Postcode	
Are you aged 25 or under?*	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (Associate members only)

### *Contact Details:*

Tel (Home)*	
Tel (Work)*	
Mobile*	
E-mail Address 1*	
E-mail Address 2*	

### *EDAM Details:*

Membership Type (please tick one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Full	<input type="checkbox"/> Associate	<input type="checkbox"/> Friend
Receive newsletter by email?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	(please refer to notes over page)
How did you hear about EDAM?*			

### *IAM Membership Details (Full and Associate Members only):*

IAM Membership Number	
IAM Category(s)	
IAM Election Date	
IAM Expiry Date	
Advanced test pass date	(full members only)

I enclose the following:

### Full Members and Friends ONLY

- £10 payment – by bank transfer\*\* or a cheque made payable to ‘Edinburgh and District Advanced Motorcyclists’
- Gift Aid declaration (if applicable)

### Associate Members ONLY

- £30 contribution towards observer’s expenses – by bank transfer\*\* or a cheque made payable to ‘Edinburgh and District Advanced Motorcyclists’
- IAM ‘Skill for Life’ 3 part form, as supplied by the IAM after joining
- Gift Aid declaration (if applicable)

Signature: .....

Date: .....

*For EDAM Use Only:*

Paid:	MemCard:	Associate Sec:
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## Notes to be read as part of the application

### 1. Personal Details:

- Age - if you are aged 25 or under at the time of joining as an Associate Member and go onto pass the advanced test you may be able to claim a full refund of your IAM joining fee and observer contribution, as bestowed by the late Miss Alison Laidlaw.

### 2. Contact Details:

- E-mail - EDAM normally uses e-mail to contact our members - please supply only if you regularly check your e-mail.

### 3. EDAM Details:

- Newsletter – We email out our newsletter, Twistgrip, every month direct to your inbox. You can download a copy from the website at any time. Should you require a hard copy of the newsletter, please mark this on your application.

### 4. IAM Membership Details:

- Your Membership Number, Categories, Election Date and Expiry Date should be taken from your current IAM Membership card.
- Advanced test pass date – please supply date when you passed advanced motorcycle test, if known.

### 5. Payment

- \*\* You can pay by bank transfer if you wish. Please email [membership@edam.org.uk](mailto:membership@edam.org.uk) for details.
- Full Members and Friends – the joining fee is currently set at **£10**. EDAM Membership is valid until 1<sup>st</sup> March each year when renewal becomes due.
- Associates – in your first year there is a contribution towards your observer's expenses currently set at **£30**. Should your observing carry over from one year to the next, your membership will be renewed at the applicable renewal fee, currently set at **£10**. EDAM Membership is valid until 1<sup>st</sup> March each year when renewal becomes due.

### 6. Other Notes

- **Associate Members** who join after September are usually exempt from the following year's renewal fees if they are still an Associate Member, i.e. have not taken their advanced motorcycle test.
- You must be a current member of the IAM to remain a member of EDAM. Your membership with EDAM and any associated activities (e.g. observed guidance) will cease if you fail to be a member of the IAM.
- Unfortunately we are unable to claim Gift Aid for **Associate members** in the first year of membership. Please complete the Gift Aid declaration and we shall use it in the second year of membership.

Please send all documents to:

EDAM Membership Secretary  
1 Glenbare Court  
BATHGATE  
EH48 1DR



## **EDAM Gift Aid Declaration**

Title: ..... Forename(s):..... Surname:.....

Address 1: .....

Address 2: .....

Town / City: .....

Postcode: .....

### ***Declaration:***

I want Edinburgh & District Group of Advanced Motorcyclists to treat all donations I have made since 6 April 2000, and all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift Aid donations.

I confirm that I pay income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims.

Signature: .....

Date: .....

### **Notes:**

- a) You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Treasurer of the Group.
- b) You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the amount of the reclaim on your donations in the tax year.
- c) If in the future, your circumstances change and you no longer pay income tax and/or capital gains tax equal to the amount of the reclaim, you must notify the Honorary Treasurer of the Group.
- d) If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your Self Assessment tax return.



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### Who Are We?

EDAM is the local group affiliated to the Institute of Advanced Motorists (IAM) for the Edinburgh and district area. Although EDAM are affiliated to the IAM, we are a separate charitable organisation (as are the other IAM groups). There is also a separate local Edinburgh IAM car group.

Our main aim is to:

*'Improve road safety and awareness through developing an individual's motorcycling skills and to prepare them for the IAM Advanced Motorcycle Test'*

### How Much Does it Cost?

There only cost is (apart from your own expenses) attributed to becoming an Associate Member of EDAM:

- IAM Skill for Life fee: £139\*
- Contribution towards Observer's expenses £ 30

***N.B. – if you are aged 25 or under at time of joining EDAM and pass the advanced test within a reasonable period of time and level of effort, the EDAM Committee may award a full refund of the IAM Associate Membership fee and Observer expenses, courtesy of the legacy of Miss Alison Laidlaw – EDAM's most distinguished benefactor. Further details can be obtained from the EDAM Committee.***

\*Price is subject to change without notice and is outwith the control of EDAM.

### How Long Will it Take?

The course of observed runs usually lasts for around 10 weeks, at approximately 2½hrs per session. This is just a guide and some Associates may require more or less runs to achieve test standard.

### What Happens on Observed Runs?

An Observer will provide feedback and guidance on your observed rides, which will help you prepare for the Advanced Test. The Observer will explain, discuss and, if necessary, demonstrate each aspect of the advance riding techniques.

**However, you must go out and practice between each session and study the associated theory to get the full benefit. The old adage of 'you only get out what you put in' certainly holds true for advanced riding.**

## **Where and When Do You Meet?**

As EDAM Observers are all volunteers and many have day jobs, we normally meet on Sunday mornings at The Steading, Biggar Road, Edinburgh, EH10 7DU (south of the City of Edinburgh Bypass, A720, at Lothianburn Junction near to the ski slope), at around 9:00am for a prompt 9:15am start. We then usually end the morning around noon by meeting at a cafe for a cup of tea and chat before heading home.

The normal observed guidance 'season' for EDAM is between March and September. This is mainly due to the lack of daylight, bad weather, the 'Wintering' of some people's motorcycles and that Observers want some of their Sundays back for a long lie in! ☺

However, we do have a limited number of Observers who can take Associates on other days or times.

## **How Do You Join?**

The easiest method to join as an Associate Member is by:

- Firstly join the IAM – either via their website, [www.iam.org.uk](http://www.iam.org.uk), by calling 020-8996-9600 or by using their paper application form (available on request from EDAM or the IAM).
- Once you have received confirmation from the IAM that you have joined, complete the EDAM application form (available online or on request from EDAM) and send to the EDAM Membership Secretary.

## **What Else Happens in EDAM?**

We have many other items on the go throughout the year such as Group Runs, Machine Handling Courses, Nights Out, First Aid Courses, Twistgrip - our monthly newsletter, the Laidlaw Trophy competition, visit to L&B Safety Camera Partnership, discounts and meet the examiners to name a few.

## **Any other Questions?**

If you have any other question then please view EDAM's website, [www.edam.org.uk](http://www.edam.org.uk), or contact us at the following:

Membership Secretary -

E-mail: [membership@edam.org.uk](mailto:membership@edam.org.uk)

EDAM Secretary -

E-mail: [secretary@edam.org.uk](mailto:secretary@edam.org.uk)

Tel: 07944 490069