

# Alliance for Workers' Liberty

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## Joining the AWL

Welcome! The Alliance for Workers' Liberty is not a sect or a conspiracy. If you want to put consistent time and energy into fighting for solidarity and workers' liberty, and are willing to put effort into studying and discussing socialist ideas, then it is easy to join. Contact us with your name, address, and phone numbers, and we will arrange for an AWL organiser to meet you to discuss the details. This is a checklist of organisational and administrative details.

- Read the AWL membership agreement form overleaf. Discuss it with a local AWL organiser, fill it in, and send a copy to the AWL office: P O Box 823, London SE15 4NA. This is a short form which summarises the basic activities you will do as a member.
- Arrange to attend a meeting of your local AWL branch to be formally proposed as a member. If you are unsure which is your nearest AWL branch, or you live a long way from any branch, contact the AWL office.
- Download the contributions assessment form from <http://www.workersliberty.org.uk/files/assess.pdf>, fill it in, including the bank standing order part if possible, and send to the AWL office. This means working out how much you will pay in AWL membership dues and regular literature sales money. A standing order form is also included overleaf.
- Download a copy of the AWL's basic education programme from <http://www.workersliberty.org.uk/files/basic.pdf> and plan with a local AWL organiser how to work through it, in a study group or in individual discussions.
- Make an arrangement to receive copies of our paper *Solidarity*, our magazine *Workers' Liberty*, and other publications regularly and promptly. Maybe your local AWL sales organiser can deliver them to you by hand. If you live a bit further out, maybe it's best for us to send them directly from the office, so please contact the office.
- Send us your address, email address, and phone number, so that you can receive national mailings.
- Join AWL e-lists at <http://www.workersliberty.org/internal>. A lot of our information and debate goes out via email. You may find it useful to use Message Rules (in Outlook Express) or Filters (in Eudora) in order to filter your AWL emails into a special mailbox and not lose them among your general email.
- Check out the rest of the AWL website at <http://www.workersliberty.org> and register as a user of the site. The site will help keep you in touch with AWL ideas and activity - and let you keep other AWL people in touch with your ideas and activity, by posting contributions on the site. The resources page at <http://www.workersliberty.org/resources> is a useful reference point for basic AWL materials. Discussion bulletins and circulars are available at <http://www.workersliberty.org/internal>.

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## Membership agreement

*"The Alliance for Workers' Liberty aims to create an organisation of activists which can convince, mobilise and lead the working class to fight for workers' liberty. To be effective, our organisation must be democratic; geared to the maximum clarity of politics; and able to respond promptly to events and opportunities with all its strength, through disciplined implementation of the decisions of the elected and accountable committees which provide political leadership". – From the preamble to the constitution of the Alliance for Workers' Liberty.*

I want to become a member of the Alliance for Workers' Liberty. I agree:

- To attend regular meetings of my local AWL branch. These take place:

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- To be politically active in a regular, consistent way. Immediately my main planned regular activities will be:

a) Specifically AWL activities (paper sales, visiting contacts, educationals):

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b) Broader activities in which I will promote AWL ideas and literature:

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- To pay dues and sales money (I will sign a contributions assessment form);

- To respond to big political struggles, events and mobilisations.

Signed..... Date .....

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## Standing order authority

To: ..... (your bank)

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(its address in full)

Account name ..... (your name) Account number.....

Sort code .....

Please make payments as follows to the debit of my account: Payee: Alliance for Workers' Liberty, account no. 20047674 at the Unity Trust Bank, 9 Brindley Place, Birmingham B1 2HB (08-60-01).

Amount: £..... To be paid on the ..... day of ..... (month) 200.... (year)

and thereafter monthly until this order is cancelled by me in writing. This order cancels any previous orders to the same payee.

Date ..... Signature .....