



FINANCIAL QUALIFICATIONS POLICY
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Prospective Shareholders of Units in (United) are required to meet minimum financial requirements for Membership as set forth below. All income and assets claimed must be verified by presenting documentation acceptable to the Mutual Board of Directors.

All applicants shall submit the most recent year's Federal income tax return, signed and dated, including Schedules A and B, in addition to other verification documents. If income is derived from an owned business, the appropriate business tax schedules and a profit and loss statement are required.

Where there is more than one prospective Shareholder, income and assets can be calculated collectively, if each is eligible and intends to reside.

Membership applicants to United are required to submit a completed Financial Statement/Credit Information form, together with satisfactory verification of identity, income and assets.

ASSET REQUIREMENT

The prospective Shareholder shall submit satisfactory verification of assets equal to the purchase price of the Unit plus \$125,000. Prospective transferees (i.e., outside escrow) are required to demonstrate a minimum asset base of \$125,000 only.

Acceptable assets will be those that are considered to be liquid, marketable or income producing. Only aged accounts (180 days) will be considered. Acceptable assets include, among others:

- Equity in U.S. residential property
- Savings accounts in U.S. financial institutions
- Cash value life insurance
- Certificates of deposit, money market accounts in U.S. financial institutions.
- IRA, SEP, 401(k) and Keogh accounts
- US, state or municipal government bonds - valued at current market prices
- American traded investments, (NYSE, Amex, OTC, NASDAQ, etc.) valued at current market prices
- Mortgages and promissory notes, provided that interest is reported on the applicant's tax return
- Equity in U.S. income producing real estate

Excluded from consideration are the following, among others:

- Mobile Homes
- Recreational vehicles, boats and trailers
- Vacant land
- Automobiles
- Artwork, jewelry, furs and collections such as coins, dolls, stamps and other similar items
- Term life insurance
- Annuity funds, which cannot be withdrawn in lump sum
- Anticipated bequests or inheritances
- Promissory Notes whose income is not reported on the perspective transferee tax return
- Community property

INCOME REQUIREMENTS

Prospective Shareholders shall submit from a recognized Credit Reporting Agency (e.g. Equifax, TransUnion, Experian), a full credit report and FICO score dated within 60 days prior to the application submittal.

Prospective Shareholders and transferees must provide satisfactory verification of income of at least \$40,000 per year at the time of purchase.

1. Acceptable verifications include, among others:

- The most recent Federal Tax returns
- W - 2 Forms or paycheck stubs
- Bank, credit union or investment account statements
- Letters from bankers
- Notices of annuities and Social Security payments
- Pensions
- Trust income
- Disability income
- Residential / commercial property rental income

2. Unacceptable income verifications include, among others:

- Letters from employers, accountants, bookkeepers and attorneys
- Income not reported on Federal income tax returns
- Funds held outside US borders

OWNERSHIP OF MULTIPLE MEMBERSHIPS

United does not permit ownership of more than one cooperative Membership, except under an interim dual Membership agreement which is issued for six months.

FINANCIAL QUALIFICATION WAIVERS

Shareholders who purchase a replacement Unit do not have to re-qualify financially for Membership, if there is no change to the Membership vesting and the dual interim agreement is in effect.

Current members of one Mutual who wish to purchase in another Mutual are required to meet the financial requirements of the Mutual in which they are purchasing.

A former member may obtain a waiver of financial qualifications if the replacement Membership is purchased within 90 days of the closing of the sale of the previously owned Membership, and vesting in the new Unit is exactly the same as the vesting in the Unit previously owned.

DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY

United Board of Directors may, but is not obligated to, deny or approve applications for Membership based on the conditions herein. The Board of Directors, exercising prudent business judgement, may also deny or approve, in its sole and absolute discretion, applications based on other material factors, such as, but not limited to, history of bankruptcy, excess liabilities, or history of non-compliance as a member in United, GRF, or other Mutuels in Laguna Woods Village.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in United is created, and starts, with the later occurring of the following:

- Written approval of Membership by the United Mutual Board of Directors;
- Issuance of a Membership Stock Certificate;
- The signing of an Occupancy Agreement; and
- Upon close of escrow.

Upon Membership approval the Occupancy Agreement entitles the Member to occupy the Unit for three years, which is automatically renewed for three-year terms per Article 4 of the Occupancy Agreement, unless terminated by transfer or United's non-renewal or termination by the Board of Directors.