

Curious Forge Membership Deferment

Our overarching goal for the Forge is to provide opportunities for all our members to create and collaborate. Life events sometimes take us away for extended periods and places financial hardships at the same time. To fully support our community members during these times, we have created a **Membership Deferment** policy for when members will be absent for extended periods.

This policy is about deferment, which involves paying a nominal fee to keep your membership, though in a 'suspended mode'. [The other option is to end your membership until you can come back, at which time you'd be treated as a new member, signing up for autopay and paying the \$75 admin fee). In the case of leaving, all personal and project materials must be removed as soon as possible.]

The most important thing is to communicate fully and early. We all want to support each other, especially members in hardship.

Deferment Process:

- Submit the "Request for deferment form" at least 1 membership cycle month in advance
- Submit a fee of \$20/month for each month that the member will be absent.
- Remove your project materials so they will not impede other play in the space

Other conditions of deferment:

- The deferment can be used once per year
- Member will not use the facilities of the Forge during that period

Request for Deferment

Member Name _____

Start date: _____ End Date _____

Reasons for deferment:

Board member signature _____

Member signature _____

cc: Treasurer