



Buddhist Chaplaincy Endorsement

APPLICATION FORM

Applicant's legal name: _____

Title: (e.g. Dr, Ven, Rev, etc): _____

Applicant's dharma name (if you have one) _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Tel No _____ (is this a cell/mobile? Y/N Accept texts? Y/N

Email address: _____

Briefly State the reason you are applying for Chaplaincy Endorsement:

Are you a member of a Buddhist Sangha or Group? Y/N

Describe the group giving details of:

GROUP NAME: _____

GROUP ADDRESS: _____

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP? _____

NAME OF GROUP LEADER (Roshi, Abbot, Teacher, etc): _____

Do you currently hold at least the level of Novice Buddhist Priest (or equivalent)? Y/N

If so, what level of ordination have you achieved? _____

If not, are you prepared to receive ordination as a Novice Priest with FMZO? Y/N

(if no, please clarify why: _____)

Do you have at least two years activity in a ministerial role as a member of a Buddhist sangha or group, or similar group? Y/N

Describe what your involvement has been in the group you are a member of: _____

What is your education level? (e.g. BA/BS, MA, MDiv, PhD): _____

Have you completed a baccalaureate degree of not less than 120 semester hours at a recognized college or university? Y/N

If so, what is the college/university name and address? _____

Have you completed a Masters of Divinity that included specific education in Buddhism and/or Chaplaincy/Pastoral Care? Y/N (clarify: _____)

If not, are you currently enrolled in such a program? Y/N

Give details of the college/university you either obtained your MDiv at or are currently studying at: _____

If you do not have an MDiv but have an MA that included study of Buddhism and/or chaplaincy/pastoral care, are you willing to take further classes to extend to MDiv equivalency? Y/N

Initial next to each of the following to show you acceptance:

____ Ministerial Fitness: All applicants are required to provide letters of recommendation from his/her Sangha leader and at least one of the following: a CPE Supervisor, Academic Advisor and/or Psychotherapist in support of his/her ministerial fitness.

____ BCE requires that each applicant observes the values of diversity and respects beliefs and religions while practicing and maintaining an active role as a Buddhist cleric. BCE reserves the right to withdraw standing.

____Further, to become and to remain an endorsed BCE Chaplain the candidate must maintain active membership of a Buddhist community, be an actively practicing Buddhist, and either be employed as a chaplain or actively seeking such work.

____Chaplains are required to report to the BCE Abbot of Chaplaincy the moment they no longer meet one of these requirements and are made aware that this may result in the withdrawal of BCE endorsement.

____Applicants are also required to successfully pass a background check and to satisfactorily fill out a document attesting to their history of good conduct befitting a Buddhist Chaplain, endorsed by BCE.

I warrant that everything I have stated above is true and that I had paid the required application fee of \$150.00 by PayPal, and do hereby submit my name to be considered for endorsement by BCE:

Signed: _____

(sign your legal name)

Date: _____