



## Membership Terms & Conditions

Our members understand and agree with the objectives of the German American Chamber of Commerce, Inc. (GACC), which in general are to promote, develop and expand bilateral trade, investment and economic relations between the United States of America and the Federal Republic of Germany.

The members of the GACC grant permission to the GACC to publish their membership data in the membership directory and other publications, including online and print.

The membership begins on the day the application and the payment of the respective membership fee (Initial Membership Fee) have been duly received by the GACC (Start Date). The membership will run for the remainder of the calendar year (Initial Term). If the Start Date is between July 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> of a given year, the new member can opt to either pay 50% less for the Initial Term or have the Initial Term extended to also cover the subsequent calendar year (Extended Initial Term). If the Start Date is on or after October 1<sup>st</sup>, the Initial Membership Fee is set at 125% of the annual membership fee covering the remainder of the calendar year and the subsequent calendar year (Extended Initial Term).

Our members understand and agree that the membership will automatically renew for a period of one calendar year (Consecutive Term) at the end of the Initial Term/Extended Initial Term or each Consecutive Term (Renewal Date) unless notice of non-renewal is provided (via mail or via email to [membership@gaccny.com](mailto:membership@gaccny.com)) at least four weeks prior to the end of the calendar year.

The respective membership fee is due upon the Start Date and afterwards on each Renewal Date.

In the event of payment by credit card, our members and authorized users of the credit card can opt to set up automatic payments. By choosing this option in the payment profile, our members and the authorized user of the respective credit card agree that the future membership fees will be automatically charged to the same credit card (unless the member or authorized card user instruct GACC otherwise). Therefore, our members and authorized credit card users agree to allow encrypted electronic handling and storing of the credit card information for the authorized future use. The payment information can be updated and changed in the payment profile anytime.

Our members acknowledge that, when participating in any GACC event or program, they enter an area where photography, audio and video recording may occur. As participants of such GACC events or programs, our members grant to GACC, its representatives, employees and contractors, the right to take photographs of and/or to audio or video record the members and their property in connection with the event. The members authorize GACC to copyright, use and publish the same in print and/or electronically. They also waive the right to inspect or approve any photo, audio or video recording taken by GACC or the person or entity designated to do so by GACC. The members expressly acknowledge and agree that GACC may use such photographs and/or audio and/or videos with or without their names for any lawful purpose, including but not limited to purposes such as publicity, illustration, advertising, and web content, including but not limited to social media outlets and GACC's websites. They expressly release GACC's officers, and employees, and each and all persons involved, from any liability connected with the recording, digitizing, or publication and use of photographs, computer images, video and/or sound recordings.