Objective
The South Dakota Association of REALTORS® (SDAR) has established The REALTOR® Mark of Excellence Award to recognize and promote achievement, involvement and participation among its members on an on-going basis.

Through this program, it is the goal of SDAR to encourage its members to become more involved; to increase their knowledge and to acquire skills that will enable the member to excel in service to the public, as well as to bring increased credibility to themselves and to the Association of REALTORS®.

To Qualify
To qualify, complete the form and return it to your Local Board/Association office for certification from the Board President or Association Executive. Your Local Board/Association may, at their discretion, request more complete documentation of a member’s participation to verify qualification.

Qualification Period
The qualification period is January 1 through December 31. Applications must be submitted to the local Board for verification no later than December 15th, and then will be submitted to the State Association by December 30th, for State accreditation.

Qualification Criteria
The SDAR REALTOR® Mark of Excellence Award is an annual award and recipients must qualify each year by obtaining a minimum of 1,000 points. Recipients will be recognized and honored during the Association’s Board of Directors meeting held in January/February of each year.

Qualification for this award is available by being an active participant in the following areas: Community Service Involvement, Political Involvement, Professional Development Involvement, SD REALTORS® Leadership Academy; Involvement in Institutes, Societies and Councils, and Local, State and National Association Involvement.

The program will be based on the honor system with each member completing the application outlining his/her total point accumulation for the year, and members must be and remain in good standing to receive/retain their award status.

Note: Applicants must accumulate the minimum number of points in at least four (4) of the eight (8) categories. To claim points as an officer or committee member, you must have served in the current year.
REALTOR® Mark of Excellence Award
The qualification period is January 1 – December 31 for the current year only*

Name: ____________________________ Company: ____________________________

1. Local Board/Association Involvement
   - Local Board Meeting attendance at over 50% of scheduled meetings
     General Membership Meetings 100
     Committee Member (per committee) 100
     Committee Chair 50
     Officer or Director 100
     REALTOR® Of the Year (current year only, local) 200
     REALTOR® Logo on Business Card (attach) 50
     **Subtotal**

2. State Association Involvement
   - Committee Member (per committee) 100
   - Committee Chair (per committee) 50
   - Elected Officer or Director 100
   - REALTOR® Of the Year (current year only, state) 200
   - State Convention Attendance - September 200
   - State Meetings – February 100
   - State Meetings – June 100
   - State Meetings – October 100
   **Subtotal**

3. National Association Involvement
   - Committee Member 200
   - Committee Chair (per committee) 100
   - National Convention/Meeting Attendance 200
   - Officer or Director 250
   - Omega Tau Rho Recipient (current year only) 100
   **Subtotal**

4. Political Involvement
   *Note: There is a maximum allowable total point score of 350 in this category*
   - RPAC Investor under $99 50
   - RPAC $99 Club Member 100
   - RPAC Capital Club Member ($250 - $999 investment) 150
   - RPAC Sterling R Member ($1,000 - $2,499 investment) 200
   - RPAC Crystal R Member ($2,500 - $4,999 investment) 250
   - RPAC Golden R Member ($5,000 or more investment) 300
   - Political Candidate 100
   - Political Office Holder 150
   - Committee Member for Election Candidate 50
   - Participation in Fundraising, Local Legislative Day, Candidate Interviews, Call For Action, etc. 50
   **Subtotal**

5. Community Service Involvement
   - Organization Member 50
     List:
   - Community Volunteer/Worker 50
     List:
   - Speak before community groups on behalf of real estate 50
     List:
   - State Commissions/Committees Appointed 50
     List:
   **Subtotal**

6. Professional Development Involvement
   *Note: Courses may not be counted in more than one item. Must attach list of courses completed in current year only.*
   - SDAR sponsored GRI course (per course) 100
   - Local Board or NAR sponsored course (per class) 50
   - Designation Requirement Course except GRI (per class) 150
   - Franchise/Company Training Course (per hour, max 100) 20
   - Accredited Institution sponsored course University/Tech College (per class) 100
   - Approved Real Estate Related Course Instructor 100
   - Published Real Estate Article 100
   **Subtotal**

7. Graduate of SD REALTORS® Leadership Academy
   - Year of Completion ____________________________ 100

8. Involvement in Institutes, Societies and Councils
   - Designations/Certifications Earned (circle those you hold)
     ABR, ABRM, ALC, AMO, ARM, CCIM, CPM, CRB, CRS, ePRO, GRI, LTG, MAI, RM, SIR, SRS (per designation) 100
     State/Local Chapters (circle those with membership) ABR, ABRM, ARM, CCIM, CRB, CRS, Exchange Club, RLI, IREM, MAI, RESSI, SRES, WCR (per chapter) 50
     Chapter Active Committee Member 50
     Chapter Committee Chair 50
     Chapter Officer 100
     Chapter Director 100
     District/Regional Vice President 100
     Annual Chapter Award (current year only) 100
     National Active Committee Member 100
     National Committee Chair 50
     National Officer 100
     National Director 100
   **Subtotal**

Total minimum number of points to qualify: 1,000
Total points acquired: ____________

* Applicant must have points in at least four (4) of the eight (8) categories.

Signature of Applicant ____________________________ Signature of Association Executive or President ____________________________
Date ____________________________

APPLICANT: ____________________________ LOCAL BOARD: ____________________________

Submit this form and any accompanying material to YOUR LOCAL BOARD no later than December 15.

- Keep this application on file for further reference.
- Awards will be presented at the BOD Meeting in Jan/Feb.
- Send a copy of each qualifying members form to the State Association no later than December 30.