

# Gluten Free Industry Association (GFIA)

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## What does “GFIA” stand for?

The Gluten Free Industry Association (GFIA) represents and promotes the common interests of UK Gluten Free manufacturers.

## What is the drive behind the GFIA?

GFIA's primary purpose is to share best practice within the industry and to act on behalf of its members to represent them to UK Government and other relevant bodies.

The Association has a core technical focus and works alongside the Food and Drink Federation (FDF) on key horizontal issues of interest. The FDF provides the Secretariat support to the GFIA, and this allows for the GFIA to benefit from the FDF's insight and knowledge on broader areas such as allergens and food labelling.

According to a [report](#) published by Mintel in 2021:

*“Sales growth in the free-from foods market accelerated again in 2020, with value sales rising by 16.9% year on year to break through the £1 billion ceiling.”*

## Who are the current members of the GFIA?



## How often does the GFIA meet?

There are 4 All Members' Meetings and 1 AGM per year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, meetings are provided in a hybrid set-up - this allows members to join remotely or in person (should it be safe to do so!).

## How much does it cost?

Should your organisation want to join for 2022, please contact the Associations team via [geraldine.albon@fdf.org.uk](mailto:geraldine.albon@fdf.org.uk) for this year's subscription fee. Any joining member of the GFIA will have to also become a member of the FDF too and by doing so, your organisation will have access to all the wider benefits that FDF membership would bring! Please see <https://www.fdf.org.uk/fdf/about-fdf/reasons-to-join/> for further information.