The Retroactive Public Goods Funding (Retro Funding) application review process is applied to decide which applicants are eligible to participate in retro rounds and is used to enforce application rules and eligibility criteria. For a full overview of the application review process see [Retro Funding: Application Review Process](#)

Application Review Process Overview

1. Any badgeholder can volunteer to take part in the review process. The Badgeholder Reviewers will assess whether applications violate the application rules.

2. Applications that are not meeting the rounds [eligibility criteria](#) will be automatically rejected.

3. Each application will be reviewed by 2 Reviewers. For the application to be pass, both reviewers have to accept it. If 1/2 reviewers reject the application, the application goes to a full review with 3 additional reviewers.

4. An application is rejected if 3/5 reviewers reject the application. Reviewers will need to note the reason for rejection for each application.

5. If applicants believe their application has been wrongfully excluded, and is not in violation of the Application Rules, they can file an appeal. Appeals are reviewed by 5 Badgeholder Reviewers, who have not reviewed the application before (step 3.).

6. Badgeholder Reviewers are not allowed to vote on applications from their primary project. "Primary" is defined as a project to which you dedicate >25% of working hours or derive >25% of your compensation.

How to participate

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2. To join as a Reviewer, a badgeholder must submit [this form](#) by Friday, June 7th

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4. The review process will take place from June 10th until June 20th

. To effectively participate in this process, a reviewer should expect to spend at least 6 hours on reviews.

1. Reviewers will be rewarded for their participation in the application review process as part of Retro Governance Participation Rewards

2. Those who fill in the form will be contacted on Monday, June 10th

3. We will have a Reviewer sync call on Monday, June 10th - 18:00 UTC

Retro Funding 4 Application Rules

If projects fail to comply with the application rules, they will be excluded from participating in the retro round.

1. False statements & deception

2. false claims about your contributions, past impact or funding & grants are not allowed.

3. Hateful Content

4. No racist, sexist, or otherwise hateful speech, no discrimination as defined by the [rules of engagement](#)

5. Deceiving badgeholders

6. Malicious content that could cause harm or unintended consequences to users.

7. Fraud & Impersonation

8. Claiming to be a brand or person you are not. The Grant owner must be directly affiliated with the project; the funds must go to the project.

9. Advertising

10. Using Retro Funding application to showcase something you are selling like a token sale or NFT drop

11. Outside of Retro round scope or not meeting eligibility criteria

12. Contributions that do not have a clear relationship to the scope of the retro round, or do not meet eligibility criteria

13. Spam

14. Applications containing spam, such as irrelevant answers, plagiarized content, broken or unrelated impact metrics and contribution links. Applications in languages other than English*.

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17. Duplicate applications

18. Multiple applications from the same individual, project or group which apply for the same impact.

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