



## Membership FAQs

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### **Q. Who can join ASTM?**

A. Anyone who has interest in the field covered by a committee's scope is eligible to become a committee member.

### **Q. How long is my ASTM membership active?**

A. ASTM memberships are based on a calendar year. The membership year is January 1 to December 31. Fees are paid in advance and not prorated. Membership will become effective upon payment of fees. Applications received after October 1<sup>st</sup> will be effective upon payment and valid through December 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

### **Q. Are membership fees taxable?**

A. The individual membership fee is \$115 and the organizational membership fee is \$400. Depending on where you live, taxes may apply.

### **Q. What are the different types of membership and benefits?**

ASTM offers participating, organizational, and informational memberships. ASTM also offers free memberships for students. All the information and benefits can be found at <https://www.astm.org/get-involved/membership/membership-types.html>.

### **Q. Can I join more than one committee?**

A. Payment of the annual membership fee provides access to multiple committees at no additional cost. However, a separate application must be completed for each main committee since classification is based on the member affiliation and the committee scope.

### **Q. Once I've joined ASTM, what is the next step in participating on a technical committee?**

A. After your membership is processed, you will receive your member number along with instructions to access your MyASTM page via email. The fastest way to join and receive your membership information is to join online. If you participate on an ASTM technical committee, the MyASTM page is where you can access committee ballots, meeting minutes, meeting information, agendas, contact information of committee members, and more.

In order to learn more about effective participation on ASTM technical committees, visit our member training area at <https://www.astm.org/products-services/training-courses/member-training.html>, where you can register for virtual training classes on the following topics:

### **Q. What are my responsibilities as a participating member?**

A. Open participation and the consensus process are core values and the principle strengths of standards development in ASTM International. To be successful, the consensus process depends on the ability of members to work together with an attitude of collaboration and collegiality. Each member is expected to participate and contribute in good faith to the standardization activities undertaken by the committee(s) to which they belong.

There is no obligation to attend face-to-face meetings. You may participate by reviewing and voting on ballots online.

### **Q. Who can I contact at ASTM about my membership?**

A. The Member and Committee Services department can be reached at [member@astm.org](mailto:member@astm.org). The Staff Manager assigned to each committee may be contacted via each [Technical Committee](#) page.