

Membership Terms and Conditions

All Membership Types

Member (Membership) Categories

Member type is defined as the category based on the member's career life cycle.

Membership Terms and conditions:

- Agree to abide by the OTA Constitution and Code of Ethics
- Agree to allow OTA to share member information to selected third parties and government agencies for the purpose of confirming membership status for access to benefits and features
- Agree to abide by the terms and conditions set by third parties who provide benefits and features as part of OTA membership
- Agree to provide evidence to substantiate membership category selected when requested by OTA
- Accept that membership is for a full membership cycle (which is 12 months, unless otherwise stated) regardless of payment method, such as via instalments (scheduled payments)
- Agree to pay for the full membership cycle and agree to reimburse OTA any outstanding dues if membership is cancelled mid-cycle
- Accept that no refunds are offered for cancellation of membership during the membership cycle
- It is the responsibility of the member to advise OTA of any cancellation or suspension of registration with AHPRA within 10 workdays
- Any occupational therapist with cancelled or suspended registration with AHPRA is not eligible for membership with OTA until registration is reinstated by AHPRA
- Where a member's registration is suspended with AHPRA, OTA will de-activate membership until the final outcome has been decided by AHPRA
- During the suspension period, the suspended member has no access to membership entitlements
- Where membership with OTA is cancelled due to de-registration with AHPRA, no refund or partial refund of membership fees will be given
- Where membership with OTA is suspended due to registration suspension with AHPRA, no refunds or partial refunds will be given for the suspension period

General Member – Full Time Worker

Eligibility Criteria:

- Graduate of an occupational therapy education program recognised by AHPRA and WFOT
- Current and full registration as an occupational therapist with AHPRA
- Working as an occupational therapist and/or in a role using occupational therapy skills
- Employed or self-employed and work more than 20 hours per week (on average)

General Member – Part Time Worker

Eligibility Criteria:

- Graduate of an occupational therapy education program recognised by AHPRA and WFOT
- Current and full registration as an occupational therapist with AHPRA
- Working as an occupational therapist and/or in a role using occupational therapy skills
- Employed or self-employed up to and including 20 hours per week (on average)

New Graduate Member

Eligibility Criteria:

- Graduate of an occupational therapy education program recognised by AHPRA and WFOT
- Current and full registration as an occupational therapist with AHPRA
- A new graduate membership is available within 12 months of course completion (bachelor or masters entry level) and may be held for a maximum of 2 years from course completion date

Additional terms and conditions:

- A member cannot hold New Graduate membership for greater than 2 consecutive cycles of membership
- Graduation date must be supplied when taking out New Graduate membership

Endorsement (BAMHS) (minimum of 2 years of experience is required in a related field)

Affiliate Member

Eligibility Criteria:

- Graduate of an occupational therapy education program recognised by AHPRA and WFOT
- May or may not have current registration as an occupational therapist with AHPRA
- Occupational therapists who are on parental leave, retired, overseas, or not working in any capacity
- Occupational therapist not living or working in Australia who is a graduate of an occupational therapy education program recognised by AHPRA and WFOT
- New graduates do not qualify for Affiliate membership

Additional terms and condition:

- OTA has the right to deny membership to this category if it deems the eligibility criteria is not met or insufficient evidence is provided to meet the category

Student Member

Eligibility Criteria:

- Studying an undergraduate or masters entry level occupational therapy education program recognised by AHPRA and WFOT and not yet graduated
- Registered as a student with AHPRA
- Not a post graduate student of an occupational therapy program

Additional terms and conditions:

- Student members are not eligible to access MentorLink or the Better Access to Mental Health Scheme Endorsement (BAMHS)
- Student members are not eligible to vote at Annual Division Meetings and Annual General Meetings
- Student membership expires at course completion

OTA has the right to deny student membership if it deems the eligibility criteria is not met or insufficient evidence is provided to meet the category.

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