



National Society of Professional Surveyors

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NSPS IS.....

- The recognized national voice of the surveying professional.
- Continually seeking to respond to the challenges presented by new technologies, government, and industry activities by providing a forum for its members to use their expertise and knowledge to confront those interests that are common to all surveyors.
- The largest of four self-governing member organizations within the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping (ACSM).
- The ACSM member organization that provides the surveying perspective to its fellow ACSM member organizations on matters of collective interest related to cartography, geodesy, and geographic information systems.
- A participant in the planning of the program content for the annual ACSM convention.
- A conduit for input from the National Association of County Surveyors, National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying.

WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

The answer is simple. NSPS offers members the opportunity to open doors to all the information needed to keep up-to-date on the latest and most crucial issues of the profession.

WHAT WE DO.....

We shape and influence government legislation for the surveying and mapping profession.

NSPS monitors, promotes, and influences national legislation and Federal agency regulations through its government affairs and political action committees.

We advance the profession and your own professional growth.

NSPS leads the development of ALTA standards and promotes scientific progress within the profession by providing publishing opportunities in its peer-reviewed academic journal, *Surveying and Land Information Sciences (SaLIS)*, and opportunities for formal presentations at the annual ACSM convention.

NSPS administers many certification programs, including: Certified Survey Technician—CST (tests and certifies survey technicians for skills and knowledge at four levels); Certified Hydrographer (tests and certifies those specifically experienced in hydrographic surveying); Certified FloodPlain Surveyor (currently a pilot program in conjunction with FEMA).

NSPS offers many opportunities for continuing education at the annual ACSM convention and its affiliation with the State Surveying Societies.

We promote the profession to the next generation.

NSPS sponsors and offers many programs to promote the profession among young people, including, scholarships and fellowships, the NSPS Student Project of the Year award, the Surveying Student Competition, the Trig-Star competition for high school students,

the NSPS Student Outreach Speaker's Kit for middle and high school students, and the Boy Scouts Surveying Merit Badge program. NSPS provides evaluation for curriculum accreditation through the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc. (ABET).

We maintain affiliations and represent the profession with other related professional groups.

Through a membership in NSPS, you have representation at all state surveying associations and societies (NSPS Governors), fellow member organizations in ACSM, the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG), the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), and government policy-making bodies such as FEMA, NOAA, NGS, FGDC, USGS, and BLM.

You benefit from many discount programs.

NSPS offers professional liability, health, and life insurance programs, rental car discounts through Hertz and AVIS, office supply discounts through Penny Wise, and discounts for conventions, workshops, and books. You will stay informed of activities, new technology, and industry news

NSPS provides several opportunities to stay informed through ACSM Bulletin, Government Affairs Update, and NSPS Web site, www.nspsmo.org.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Voting Members – only voting members may hold office
Licensed Member. An individual is eligible to be a Licensed Member if he or she is a person licensed to practice the profession of surveying, according to state or provincial statutes. Licensed Members shall have all the rights and privileges of NSPS, including the right to vote and to hold office.

Regular Member. An individual is eligible to be a Regular Member if he or she is: (a) A person practicing the profession of surveying, who has attained the professional qualifications, required and is classified as "Land Surveyor" or "Supervisory Land Surveyor," according to series GS 1373 of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management; (b) An academician holding a bachelor of science degree and the rank of assistant professor or higher and teaching surveying in a two or four year surveying program accredited by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) or the Canadian Accreditation Board (CAB) or approved by the appropriate State Land Registration Board; or (c) A person practicing the profession of surveying, or teaching surveying, who has attained a minimum of ten years experience in responsible charge of surveying activities, or a combination of four years education and sufficient experience in responsible charge totaling ten years.

Non-Voting Members

Associate Member. An individual is eligible to be an Associate Member if he or she, is employed in the profession of surveying. Associate Members shall have all the rights and privileges of NSPS, except that they shall not be entitled to hold office or to vote.

Student Member. An individual is eligible to be a Student Member if he or she is pursuing a course of study at the post-secondary level on a full-time basis (as defined by the academic institution) leading to a professional career in surveying. Student Members shall have all the rights and privileges of NSPS except that they shall not be entitled to hold office or to vote.



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2012 NSPS Membership Application

___ Dr. ___ Mr. ___ Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ Have you ever been a member? ___ Yes ___ No

Name _____ Company Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Daytime Telephone [_____] Fax [_____]

Email _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

All memberships are for a calendar year. New member applications received January 1 through August 31 are processed for membership that calendar year. Those received September 1 or later are processed for membership beginning January 1 of the following year.

___ **Licensed or Regular Member \$240.00, includes \$15.00 one-time processing fee**
(Includes voting rights, right to hold office, the ACSM Bulletin (online), and SaLIS (print and online)) \$ _____

___ **Associate Member \$155.00, includes \$15.00 one-time processing fee**
(Includes the ACSM Bulletin (online) and SaLIS (print and online)) \$ _____

___ **Student \$30.00**
(Includes the ACSM Bulletin (online) and SaLIS (print and online)) \$ _____

Total Amount Due to NSPS \$ _____

Students, please provide the following information:
Education Institution _____ Faculty Signature _____

Occupation

Select one:

- ___ Business Owner No. of employees _____
- ___ Business Employee
- ___ Consultant
- ___ County Employee
- ___ Federal Employee

- ___ State Employee
- ___ University Faculty/Staff
- ___ Utility Co. Employee
- ___ Vendor
- ___ Student

Licensure

Select all that apply:

- ___ Licensed Land Surveyor (LS)
- ___ Professional Engineer (PE)
- ___ PE/LS
- ___ Other

Payment Options: Pay by check in US funds or pay by Credit Card. **Non US Members must pay by Credit Card. No Exceptions.**

Make checks payable to **NSPS** and mail to: **6 Montgomery Village Avenue, Suite 403, Gaithersburg, MD 20879**

___ Check ___ Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover ___ American Express

Name on Card _____ Credit Card Number _____/_____/_____/_____

Exp Date ____/____/____ CVVC Code _____ Signature _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Under IRS regulations only 95% of your membership dues are deductible on your tax return as a business expense
Subscriptions to publications of the organization are a part of membership benefits (Bulletin; \$40; SaLIS; \$45) and cannot be deducted from annual dues.