# **Honorary Memberships**

## What is Honorary Membership?

Honorary membership can be awarded to **individuals** or **companies** or **organisations** that are either -

- Undertaking a **specified role** for the Australian Tile Council, or,
- Have a strategic alliance with the Australian Tile Council, or,
- Provide a **strategic benefit** to the Australian Tile Council.

Honorary memberships may be awarded by the ATC at the National AGM each year.

Honorary membership will be valid from the next calendar year after being granted.

#### Qualification.

The individual or company or organisation must be actively performing the specified role or actively delivering the strategic alliance or strategic benefit.

If the individual works for a company or organisation, the honorary membership is awarded to and recognised under the individuals name.

If the beneficiary is a company or organisation then the honorary membership is awarded to that company or organisation.

Due to the requirements of the role, the person or company undertaking the National Administrators role will automatically qualify for Honorary membership whilst they are undertaking that role.

#### **Honorary Membership Term.**

Honorary memberships will terminate when an individual or company or organisation ceases -

- Undertaking a specified role for the Australian Tile Council, or,
- Having a strategic alliance with the Australian Tile Council, or,
- Providing a strategic benefit to the Australian Tile Council.

#### Benefits.

Where the recipient is an **individual** they are not required to pay their annual membership fee or national conference registration fee from the next calendar year their membership is due, but retain the full rights of membership.

Where the individual works for a **company or organisation**, other than a national member company or multi-state member, the recipients company or organisation is not required to pay the annual membership fee or national conference registration fee from the next calendar year their membership is due whilst that individual is in their employ, but retain the full rights of membership.

Once the individual leaves their employ -

- The honorary membership will remain under the individuals name for so long as the individual continues to provide the specified role or benefit to the ATC.
- The company or organisation will recommence paying membership fees and national conference registration fees, commencing the year immediately after the individual left.
- If the individual commences employment with another member company or organisation and continues to provide the specified role or benefit to the ATC, then that member company or organisation would not be required to pay their annual membership fee or national conference registration fee from the next calendar year their membership is due whist the individual continued to provide the specified role or benefit to the ATC, unless it is another National member or multi-state member where that member company will receive a 20% discount on their annual national membership fee and are not required to pay national conference registration fees from the next calendar year their membership is due but retain the full rights of membership.

Where the individual works for a **National member company** or **multi-state member**, the recipients company receives a 20% discount on their annual national membership fee and are not required to pay the national conference registration fee from the next calendar year their membership is , but retain the full rights of membership.

Where a National member or multi-state member employs more than one Honorary member, a 20% discount on that companies membership fee will apply for each Honorary member they employ.

Once the individual leaves their employ -

- The honorary membership will remain under the individuals name for so long as the individual continues to provide the specified role or benefit to the ATC.
- The company will recommence paying full membership fees and national conference registration fees, commencing the year immediately after the individual left.

- If the individual commences employment with another member company or organisation and continues to provide the specified role or benefit to the ATC, then that member company or organisation would not be required to pay their annual membership fee or national conference registration fee from the next calendar year their membership is due whist the individual continued to provide the specified role or benefit to the ATC, unless it is another National member or multi-state member where that member company will receive a 20% discount on their annual national membership fee and are not required to pay national conference registration fees from the next calendar year their membership is due but retain the full rights of membership.

#### **How Are Honorary Memberships Determined and Appointed?**

Nominations and supporting case information for Honorary membership are to be submitted on the ATC Honorary Member Nomination form to be tabled to the National Committee prior to the November national committee general meeting.

Each nomination is to be reviewed at the November meeting and voted on by the National Committee at that meeting.

Honorary memberships will be awarded at the National AGM by the National President.

The National Administrator will also notify the successful nominee in writing post the AGM and arrange for their membership status to be upgraded to Honorary Membership.

Honorary memberships will be valid from the next calendar year after being granted.

### What is the review process for Honorary Memberships?

Honorary Memberships are to be reviewed annually by the National Committee at the November national general meeting.

Should the review result in the need to revoke a Honorary Membership, the National President will notify the Member in writing along with the reason for revocation.