

2.1 Classes

- Full
 - Member
 - Fellow
- Associate
- Corporate
- Honorary
- Oral Health Student
- Associate Student
- Life
- New Graduate
- Other Classes of members as the Board determines from time to time.

2.2 Definition and Entitlement

Full Members	<p>Shall be currently registered with the Dental Board of Australia, or hold a tertiary qualification in dental hygiene, dental therapy, or oral health therapy that is recognised by and registrable with the Dental Board of Australia.</p> <p>Full members have the right to vote and serve on committees. They are entitled to receive <i>the OHAA Connect</i>, the Annual Report, and other documents as the Board may determine. Full members receive members rates to OHAA professional development, Industrial Relations support, access to the members area of OHAA website, corporate offers, discounted rates to events run by other Associations.</p>
Fellows	<p>Fellows are full members who demonstrate certain quality, skills and/or achievements in accordance to the criteria and assessments as determined by the board of directors.</p>
Associate Members	<p>Associate members shall be either</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • persons who hold a qualification in dental hygiene, dental therapy, or oral health that is recognised by and registrable with the Dental Board of Australia, and are not currently registered or have non-practising registration with DBA, or • persons other than dental hygienists, dental therapists or oral health therapists who are engaged in or associated with the profession of oral health. This includes but is not limited to oral health educators, researchers, dental assistants (cert IV), allied health practitioners and categories of dental practitioner not eligible for full membership. • employers, policy makers, industry representatives, administrators, or any other person interested in profession and the association, who may upon application and at the discretion of the Board be admitted to membership of the OHAA. • All classes of Associate members are entitled to receive the OHAA Connect, member rates to OHAA professional development and corporate offers.

By-law 2: Membership

Corporate	<p>Shall be an organisation who supports the objectives of OHAA, who may upon application and at the discretion of the Board be admitted to membership of OHAA</p> <p>Corporate members are entitled to receive The Magazine, member rates to OHAA professional development, and corporate offers. They may have the opportunity to present to or collaborate with OHAA's Board on matters of mutual interest. They may be invited to provide a link to be placed on OHAA's website.</p>
Honorary Members	<p>Must be nominated by a member of the OHAA and approved by the CEO on delegated authority from the Board. Membership is for a period of twelve months but their membership may be eligible for extension at the discretion of the CEO.</p> <p>Any of the following persons may be considered for as an Honorary Membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • any person distinguished in oral health or allied sciences; • any person who has rendered distinguished service to OHAA; or • any person who, in the opinion of the Board may further advance the interests of the profession. <p>Honorary members are entitled to receive the OHAA Connect, member rates to OHAA professional development, and corporate offers.</p> <p>Honorary members shall not pay subscriptions.</p>
Oral Health Student Members	<p>Shall consist of persons currently enrolled in and undertaking a program of study leading to a qualification in dental hygiene or oral health therapy that is recognised by and leading to the initial registration as a dental hygienist or oral health therapist with the Dental Board of Australia.</p> <p>Student members shall have all privileges of full membership other than the right to vote or hold office</p> <p>Student members shall not pay subscriptions.</p>
Associate Student Members	<p>Shall be students at any Australian Universities studying full time other than dental hygiene or oral health therapy students.</p>
Life Members	<p>Shall consist of members who have made significant and enduring contributions to OHAA and at the discretion of the Board have been granted Life Membership. Life Members shall be nominated by a member of the Board and voted in by the Board with a 2/3rd majority.</p> <p>Life members have all the rights of Full Members except that they can hold office or vote only when they are registered with the Dental Board of Australia.</p> <p>Life members shall not pay subscriptions.</p>
New Graduate Members	<p>Shall consist of persons who are currently registered with the Dental Board of Australia and have graduated from a tertiary qualification in dental hygiene or oral health therapy that is recognised by and registrable with the Dental Board of Australia in the past 12 months.</p> <p>New graduate members have all the rights of Full Members.</p> <p>New graduate members shall pay a reduced subscription rate.</p> <p>After one year as a New Graduate, members will be required to renew under Full Membership.</p>

2.3 Subscription Fees

Subscription fees will be determined by the Board and published on OHAA's website and in the Annual Report.

2.4 Previous membership status

All previous ADOHTA and DHAA membership history prior to the inception of OHAA are recognised in equivalent OHAA membership categories.

2.5 Table of membership benefits

The following summarises the membership benefits of all OHAA member categories:

Membership Type	Pay membership fee	Access to professional, business and IR advice	Access to free member communications bulletin and journals, free and discounted CPD, discounted products	Use of OHAA logo to indicate membership	Volunteering for OHAA	Hold office and vote
Full member	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fellow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Associate member	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗
Honorary member	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗
Student member	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
Life member	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ While registered
New Graduate member	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corporate member	✓	✗	Nominated representatives	✓ plus other corporate arrangements	By arrangement	✗

2026/27 Membership Fees

(not part of By-Law, for information only)

Category	Fee
Full Membership	\$330
New Grad 50% of membership	\$165 - free PII not prorated
OH Student	Free - free PII
Associate Student	\$165 Not prorated
Associate	\$100
Corporate	\$1000 joining + \$3,000 pa
Life Member	Free
Honorary	Free