

ABOUT THE ATA Industry Technical Council



INTRODUCTION

The Industry Technical Council (ITC) is a working committee of the **Australian Trucking Association (ATA)**. The ITC's role is to enhance the trucking industry's safety, professionalism and viability by providing technical input and best practice advice to the ATA. Established in 1995, the ITC and its members work to advance technical excellence in the trucking industry.

ITC performs a unique service in the Australian trucking industry by bringing operators, suppliers, engineers and other specialists together in a long-term discussion forum. Its members provide expert and independent advice in the field to inform the work of the ITC. The outcomes from ITC work to benefit ITC stakeholders and the industry at large by raising technical and maintenance standards and improving the operational safety of the heavy vehicle sector.

The major published output of the ITC, **Technical Advisory Procedures (TAPs)**, **Technical Bulletins** and **Safety Alerts** are documents developed by the ITC containing technical advice on a range of industry issues. TAPs refer to best practice industry techniques to give guidance on various installation and maintenance processes for safe, optimum component performance. Safety alerts are a shorter safety focused document.

The ITC makes technical recommendations to the ATA's General Council, policy committees, and the ATA secretariat. ITC members may also be nominated to represent the ATA and the trucking industry on government and Standards Australia technical committees.

A highlight each year is the annual Technology and Maintenance Conference, which brings together suppliers, workshop engineers and workshop managers to hear about and discuss the latest in technology and maintenance issues impacting the trucking industry. The ATA ITC is involved in developing each year's conference program.

ITC CHAIR

The ITC Chair is appointed by the ATA Chair, and may in turn appoint ITC members to lead working groups as needed. The current ITC Chair is Kelvin Baxter from Kelvin Baxter Transport.

The ITC Chair may establish or dissolve various standing and ad hoc committees to assist with ITC objectives, and has the power to appoint or remove people to serve on these committees.

MEMBERSHIP

ITC membership encompasses professionals from every level of Australia's road transport industry, including workshop supervisors, suppliers, operations managers, road transport operators and company owners, engineers, manufacturers and transport consultants.

Members attend meetings, suggest agenda items, comment on draft ATA submissions to government, and generally participate in all technical discussions and ITC decisions. For corporate members, membership responsibilities may be delegated to a relevant colleague within that member's business. An annual membership fee is charged based on membership type.

ITC members are consulted on the technical details of ATA policy. This may include involvement in ATA policy committees, consultation on ATA policy submissions, and referral of technical policy issues to ITC by the ATA General Council.

ITC members also have input into government committee deliberations central to its technical agenda. ITC members receive information updates each year on any progress made with such groups, and all members are invited to provide input into industry submissions and comment on emerging issues.

Membership is subject to approval on a case by case basis.

OBSERVER STATUS

Observer status is available to affiliate organisations to allow cooperative project work to be undertaken, and who provide reciprocal rights for an ITC observer to the applicant's organisation.

CODE OF ETHICS

ITC members are required to:

- Declare potential conflicts of interest.
- Work cooperatively in a relationship based on consensus and mutual respect.
- Maintain the confidentiality of ITC discussions.
- Consult within their organisation, where relevant, to ensure the views and information they put forward to ITC are accurate and supported by the member.
- Undertake to comply at all times with the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 and the ACCC guidelines for industry associations.
- Only use ITC member contact lists for ITC purposes.
- Recognise that withdrawal of membership may be implemented for unacceptable conduct.

MEETING PREPARATION AND PROCEDURES

The ITC typically holds four face-to-face meetings each year. Decision-making is via consensus, and every effort is made to reach agreement between the members before submitting a recommendation to the ATA.

Draft minutes, including action items, are prepared by the ATA Secretariat and circulated to members for comment after clearance by the Chair. The Chair will subsequently recommend confirmation of the minutes at the next ITC meeting. ITC members are responsible for acting on any action items agreed by them in the minutes. The ATA is responsible for the coordination of follow-up actions arising from the minutes.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

A range of different membership fees are available according to an applicant's professional circumstances, and are listed on the following form. Fees are pro rata and applied annually.

Applications for ITC membership are subject to the approval of the ATA.

AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATION (US ATA) - TECHNICAL & MAINTENANCE COUNCIL (US TMC)

As part of ITC membership, a single individual login for the US TMC on-line information portal has been included with the Australian ATA ITC membership with a dedicated ITC community site. Additional logins can be purchased as detailed on the following form.

Members will be allowed access to the library of Recommended Maintenance Practice guides, Recommended Engineering Practices manuals and to be able to purchase US ATA material at membership rates.

Note: membership of the US TMC is as an individual. There are no corporate or group memberships.

ITC MEMBERSHIP INCLUSIONS

INCLUSIONS	SUPPLIER	OPERATOR	APPRENTICE	ASSOCIATE
Nominated representatives for ITC meetings, member communications and relevant Technical or Sub-Working groups	✓	✓	✓	✓
Unlimited registrations for ITC updates, newsletters, and ATA Friday Facts newsletter	✓	✓		✓
ITC membership recognition pack including certificate	✓	✓	✓	✓
One individual login for the USA TMC online resource portal *Additional logins available for \$100 each	✓	✓		
Exclusive invites to ITC demonstration and research events	✓	✓	✓	✓
Assigned ITC member support person (buddy)			✓	
ITC loyalty recognition program	✓	✓	✓	✓
Member Profile on ITC webpage on ATA website				
> Company website link	✓	✓ (OPTIONAL)		✓
> Short company bio	✓	✓ (OPTIONAL)		✓
> Company logo	✓	✓ (OPTIONAL)		✓
> Member representative image and bio	✓ (OPTIONAL)	✓ (OPTIONAL)	✓ (OPTIONAL)	✓ (OPTIONAL)
Technology & Maintenance Conference				
> Discounted and preferred exhibition space	✓			✓
> Discounted delegate pass *Applies to multiple employees for business members	✓	✓	✓	✓
> Listed ITC member	✓	✓	✓	✓
> ITC member recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓

ITC MEMBERSHIP Application Form



PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: _____ Date: _____

Position: _____ Company: _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ State: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____ Company website: _____

ITC MEMBERSHIP TYPE *(please select)*

Supplier (including consultants)

Large: 10 or more employees, supplier or consultant to the road transport industry

10 or more employees **\$1,870** (inc GST)

Small: 9 or fewer employees, supplier or consultant to the road transport industry

9 or fewer employees **\$990** (inc GST)

Operator

Business: Trucking operator business. Includes up to five transferrable individual memberships

Business **\$550** (inc GST)

Individual: Individual working or who has previously worked in a workshop for a trucking operator or in an associated field.

Individual **\$275** (inc GST)

Apprentice

An individual enrolled as a heavy vehicle mechanic apprentice or similar.

Apprentice **\$22** (inc GST)

Associate

An organisation or government agency associated with the transport industry, including law enforcement, regulators, state and federal government departments and industry. By invitation only.

Associate

TruckSafe member

TruckSafe members are eligible to receive one free of charge ITC membership, subject to the approval of the ATA.

TruckSafe member
Member number: _____

Additional 12 month individual logins to the US ATA Technology and Maintenance Council ITC portal **\$100** (each, inc GST) *A single individual login is included as part of each paid ITC membership.

ITC MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT DETAILS

When your application has been received and approved, ATA will invoice the membership fee accordingly. Your invoice will tell you how to pay. Membership fees apply for the 2021 calendar year.

Call **02 6253 6900** or email accounts@truck.net.au if you have further questions.

Email accounts@truck.net.au with your completed application.