

WALGA Associate Membership 2024/25

Information for Prospective Organisations

About WALGA

The Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) is an independent, member-based, not for profit organisation representing and supporting the WA Local Government sector. Our membership includes all 139 Local Governments in the State.

WALGA uses its influence, support and expertise to deliver better outcomes for WA Local Governments and their communities. We do this through effective advocacy to all levels of Government on behalf of our Local Government Members, and by the provision of expert advice, services and support.

Our vision is for agile and inclusive Local Governments enhancing community wellbeing and enabling economic prosperity.

Benefits of Associate Membership

Becoming an Associate Member of WALGA entitles your organisation to a standard membership package, which includes:

- Access to WALGA's [Preferred Supplier Program](#);
- Capacity to access a range of professional services at below market prices on a fee-for-service basis, including:
 - [Employee Relations service](#) (comprehensive human resources, industrial relations, recruitment, training and development service);
 - [Governance/Local Laws Service](#);
 - [Procurement](#) advice and resources;
 - [LGIS](#)* (insurance, risk management and broking service);
 - [Council Connect](#) (ICT infrastructure and online service delivery);
 - WALGA's [Tax Service](#) (taxation support and advice).
- Recognition on the WALGA website and in the annual Local Government Directory, including organisation name, description and contact details.
- Complimentary subscription to a range of WALGA publications, including the Local Government Directory, LG Direct and Western Councillor.

*Available only to Regional Councils

Please note, Associate Members are ineligible to vote at any meetings of the Association and are not entitled to receive political representation or advocacy.

Eligibility

Associate Membership is primarily available to:

1. Organisations constituted by Local Governments such as Regional Council, Voluntary Regional Councils and Alliances;
2. Not-for-profit organisations that can demonstrate a link or relationship with the Local Government sector; and
3. Government agencies, including Government Trading Entities.

Organisations that fall outside of the above categories are still welcome to apply. However, all applying organisations must demonstrate links with the WA Local Government sector for membership to be approved. Associate Membership is not available to commercial organisations.

Prospective organisations are invited to complete and submit an application form.

Becoming an Associate Member

Upon acceptance of an organisation's application for Associate Membership and payment of the membership fee, your membership is continuous until such time as written intent to resign the membership is received by WALGA. Additional subscriptions fees will apply if an Associate Member chooses to access any of the additional, fee-for-service professional services as described above.

An applicant for Associate Membership must agree to be bound by the [Association Constitution](#) and to comply with the rules and regulations of WALGA as determined from time to time.

Associate Membership fees for FY2024/25

Membership and subscription fees are charged annually for each financial year. A new Associate Member may have their annual membership fee reduced on a pro rata basis, at the discretion of WALGA.

Organisation type	Fee	Amount
Not-for-profit	Minimum – set amount, <i>increased incrementally each financial year</i>	\$793.00
Government Agency		
Incorporated Association with link to the Local Government sector		
Voluntary Regional Organisations of Councils	Set amount, based on SAT Band	Band 1 - \$12,000
Regional Councils		Band 2 - \$9,000 Band 3 - \$5,000 Band 4 - \$2,000

All amounts shown are for FY2024/25 and are exclusive of GST.