



MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA AND COSTS

Thank you for your request for information about membership of **ASUC**.

All applicants (Full, Associate/Consultant Members) must:

- Complete the relevant ASUC application form
- Accept and agree to comply with the relevant ASUC Rules and Byelaws
- Support the activities of the Association

FULL MEMBERSHIP is open to companies whose primary business in the construction industry is:

- SPECIALIST DOMESTIC: UNDERPINNING & SUBSIDENCE REPAIR TECHNIQUES and/or
- SPECIALIST DOMESTIC: RETRO-FIT BASEMENT CONSTRUCTION
- ENGINEERED FOUNDATION CONTRACTORS

ASSOCIATE and CONSULTANT MEMBERSHIP is open to non-contractors who offer associated services or consultancy.

Full details and fees for all categories are detailed below.

FULL MEMBERSHIP

Full membership carries voting rights (one member – one vote) and is divided into three categories:

CATEGORY 1 for companies whose primary business is:

Specialist Domestic: Underpinning & subsidence repair techniques and structural works to single storey domestic basements (value less than £300,000) and structural works to single storey domestic retro-fit basements including waterproof works (value less than £300,000)

CATEGORY 2 for companies whose primary business is:

Specialist Domestic: Structural works to all multi-storey retro-fit basements and others with structural element greater than £300,000 in value and Structural works to all multi-storey retro-fit basements and others with structural element greater than £300,000 in value including waterproofing works

CATEGORY 3 for companies whose primary business is:

Installing Engineered foundation solutions, in the domestic and light industrial sector, this would include Foundation systems with ground beams and or slabs.

Briefly, for Full Membership applicant companies must:

- Have adequate general and technical management expertise and supervisory personnel at each of their places of operation;
- Have experienced labour under the direct supervision and control of the member company;
- Have an acceptable form of records, regularly maintained, of all employees, detailing their training and experience;
- Have a system of quality control acceptable to the Association;
- Operate with due regard to the safety and well-being of employees and the public and have an acceptable safety policy and safety standards;

- Demonstrate that they are continuously engaged in the activities listed above with a two year trading history and a **net worth** for Category 1 and 3 applicants of £150,000 and for Category 2 applicants of £350,000;
- Be prepared to submit to independent examination with regard to technical, financial and health and safety capability;
- Have appropriate insurance in place for all the activities undertaken.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

This category is for non-contractor companies only who offer a service related to domestic underpinning, superstructure repairs and basement construction, for example:

- Material suppliers: cement, steel, waterproofing materials, etc
- Service providers

This category of membership does not carry voting rights.

Applicants must be:

- Trading for at least one year and provide one year's trading accounts
- Be proposed by an existing ASUC member

CONSULTANT MEMBERSHIP

Is open to non-contractors who offer consultancy and similar services, for example:

- Insurers of previously underpinned properties
- Other consultants and institutes

Associate and Consultant membership does not carry voting rights.

Applicants must be:

- Trading for at least one year and provide one year's trading accounts
- Be proposed by an existing ASUC member

FEES

In the case of Full Membership - to cover the costs of third party audit reports, detailed above, there is an audit fee of £2,500 + VAT to be paid on application.

Please note that all cheques will be banked upon application. If during the initial review of the application it is clear that the company does not comply with the membership criteria, ASUC will return the application audit fee prior to full audit but subject to a £500 administration fee.

Annual subscriptions for FULL MEMBERSHIP are based on a company's annual turnover in ASUC related activities as follows:

(S)	Full Membership	up to £750,000	£1,795 +VAT
(M)	Full Membership	£750,001 up to £4 Million	£2,680 +VAT
(L)	Full Membership	Over £4 Million up to £10 Million	£3,565 +VAT
(XL)	Full Membership	Over £10 Million	£4,765 +VAT
(C)	Associate Membership	flat rate subscription	£540 +VAT
(I)	Consultant Membership	flat rate subscription	£270 +VAT

The ASUC subscription year is January to December (pro-rata'd for new members after 1st July)

I hope you will be interested in joining ASUC and enclose a membership application form for you to read through and complete at your convenience.