

# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

## Who is eligible to join?

Membership of the Institute is open to everyone employed in, or supplying to, the Industry.

As well as having a broad Industry base, Institute membership reflects the multi-disciplinary nature of the business and is open to everyone from small team leaders to chief executives and to the multitude of internal and external people in the wide range of disciplines required by the Industry.

## What is the Industry?

For the purpose of these guidelines the Industry comprises individuals and organisations engaged in either:

- the extraction, processing, recycling and supply of construction materials, including: hard-rock quarrying, sand and gravel, special sands, cement, lime, gypsum, clays, slate, asphalt, pre-mixed concrete and concrete products;
- surface mining; or
- in the provision of:
  - engineering, drilling, contracting, geological, materials testing and other consulting services, or
  - in the provision of goods or services associated with the quarrying and related industries

Mines and quarries inspectors and lecturers, trainers and assessors in Industry qualifications at recognised training institutions are also regarded as being employed within the Industry.

## What grades of membership does the Institute have?

The Institute has five (5) grades of membership:

- Student
- Associate
- Technical Member
- Member, and
- Fellow

## What are the requirements for Student grade of membership?

The requirements for election to Student grade are that the candidate:

- is **not** engaged in the Industry; and
- is engaged in a recognised course of study or training relating to the Industry

## What are the requirements for Associate grade of membership?

The requirement for election to Associate grade is that the candidate is engaged in the Industry

## What are the requirements for Technical Member grade of membership?

The key requirements for election to Technical Member grade are that the candidate:

- is engaged in the Industry;
- has been in a position of responsible charge for at least three years; and
- has passed a Certificate IV applicable to their employment in the Industry

## What are the requirements for Member grade of membership?

The key requirements for election to Member grade are that the candidate:

- is engaged in the Industry;
- has been in a position of Responsible Charge for at least three years; and
- has passed a Diploma or higher qualification applicable to their employment in the Industry

### **What are the requirements for Fellow grade of membership?**

The key requirements for election to Fellow grade are that the candidate:

- is engaged in the Industry;
- has at least seven (7) years' experience in the Industry'
- has been in a position of Senior Managerial Charge for at least four (4) years; and
- has passed a Diploma or higher qualification applicable to their employment in the Industry

### **What does Responsible Charge mean?**

Positions of Responsible Charge are either:

- team leader positions such as leading hands, foreman and site supervisors or managers of small sites (typically up to 20 persons including contractors) operating within the Industry; or
- professional positions such as Project Engineers, Geologists, Environmental Scientists responsible for the conduct and management of projects and investigations and provision of advice to organisations within the Industry

### **What does Senior Management Charge mean?**

Positions of Senior Managerial charge comprise either:

- managers who have supervision of other managers or who have sole responsibility for the operation of a medium to large site organisation (typically employing in excess of 20 persons including contractors) operating within the quarrying Industry; or
- experienced professional positions such as Senior Engineers, Senior Geologists, Senior Environmental Scientists responsible for the management of projects and investigations and provision of advice to organisations within the quarrying Industry

### **Is it possible to be exempt from the qualification requirements?**

The Institute's Advisory Council can, in exceptional circumstances, deem a candidate as having an exempting qualification. These circumstances would need to include a long period of engagement in the Industry and in responsible charge or senior managerial charge.