### ABOUT THE ATA Industry Technical Council





#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Industry Technical Council (ITC) is a working committee of the <u>Australian Trucking Association</u> (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, <u>Technical Advisory Procedures (TAPs)</u>, <u>Technical Bulletins</u> and <u>Safety Alerts</u> 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 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.

#### **WORKING GROUPS**

The ITC operates several working groups, including on safety, productivity, general technical issues and zero emissions.

#### **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 organization.

#### **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 always comply with the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 and the ACCC guidelines for industry associations.
- Only use ITC member contact lists for ITC purposes.
- Recognize that withdrawal of membership may be implemented for unacceptable conduct.

#### **MEETING PREPARATION AND PROCEDURES**

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

#### **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

A range of different membership fees are available and are listed on the following form. Fees are applied annually.

Applications for ITC membership is 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	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	~	~	~
ITC loyalty recognition program	~	~	$\checkmark$
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)
Technology & Maintenance Conference			
> Discounted and preferred exhibition space	~		$\checkmark$
> Discounted delegate pass			
*Applies to multiple employees for business members	~	~	$\checkmark$
> Listed ITC member	~	$\checkmark$	~
> ITC member recognition	~	~	$\checkmark$

# ITC MEMBERSHIP Application Form





#### **PERSONAL DETAILS**

Name:	Date:			
Position:	_Company	:		
Address:				
Suburb:	_State:		Postcode:	
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 <b>\$2,185</b> (inc GST)	
Small: 9 or fewer employees, supplier, or consultant to the road transport industry			9 or fewer employees <b>\$1,155</b> (inc GST)	
Operator				
Business: Trucking operator business. Includes up to five transferrable individual memberships			Business <b>\$640</b> (inc GST)	
Individual: Individual working or who has previously worked in a workshop for a trucking operator or in an associated field.			Individual <b>\$315</b> (inc GST)	
TruckSafe member				
TruckSafe members are eligible to receive of of charge ITC membership, subject to the ap of the ATA.			TruckSafe Member Number:	
ATA member				
ATA members may elect to join ITC, and A member associations may nominate one operator business to represent them on I			ATA Membership Details:	

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 calendar year.

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

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