



WASHINGTON STATE PEST MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

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MEMBER BENEFITS

As a WSPMA Member, there are many benefits available to you. Below you will find some of these great advantages.

We encourage you to become involved within the Association to truly receive the most from your Membership. There are many ways to actively participate in our organization; from registration desk assistance at seminars, committee involvement, or a Board seat. If you are interested in helping or learning more, please contact Tim Baker (see information in the header).

- **Educational discounts** – *receive up to a 20% discount per attendee for WSPMA sponsored seminars*
 - The WSPMA strives to provide seminars that satisfy the WSDA maximum 15 credit hours each year.
 - January – Ant ID Lab (Puyallup) – 2 CEU
 - February – February Workshop (Kent) – 2 CEU
 - March – Ant ID Lab (Spokane) – 2 CEU
 - March – March Workshop (Kent) – 2 CEU
 - October or November – Fall Seminar (Eastern & Western Washington) – 7 CEU
 - November or December – Credit Crunch (SeaTac) – up to 6 CEU
- **Comradery** – *the WSPMA Membership is comprised of 200+ Pest Management Professionals that you can share experiences and concepts with and ask for guidance*
- **Legislative and Regulatory support** – *the WSPMA stays ahead of regulatory updates and proposed changes at the state level*
 - The WSPMA has had an impact on the ergonomics rule and the licensing of Home Inspectors
 - The Department of Agriculture and the WSPMA worked closely to develop and write the standards for Wood Destroying Organisms reports and the WSPMA WDO form is the standard around the state.
 - The WSPMA is continuing to build the relationship with the National Pest Management Association (NPMA) to work on Federal regulatory issues and receives regular reports from NPMA
 - Currently the WSPMA is working with WSDA to take license testing to an electronic
- **Ethics standard accountability** – *we believe there is a higher standard and we expect every Member to adhere to those (review WSPMA ethics standards on our website)*
- **Seminars for field personnel and business owners** – *seminar topics range from biology and treatment methods to employment practices, regulation and insurance needs*
 - For field personnel the WSPMA had Bobby Corrigan, Jeffery Tucker, Stuart Mitchell, Dini Miller, Michael Potter and many other leading speakers out for our seminars.
 - Business owners were provided seminars with topics of proposed rule changes, licensing, contracts, insurance and mergers and acquisitions.
- **Benevolent Fund** – *The WSPMA established the Benevolent Fund to assist our Membership in times of need. Members will be notified in the Snapshot Newsletter as to how the funds are distributed. All contributions are voluntary.*
- **Support from our Vendors** – *with over 40 Vendor Members you have access to a wealth of knowledge as well as a variety of products and materials available to Pest Management Professionals*
- **Bi-monthly electronic newsletter subscription** – *keeps our Members up to date discussing the most recent happenings at a state a national level.*
- **Discounts for Vendors** – *our Vendor Members receive discounts on advertising rates in our bi-monthly newsletter as well as sponsorship savings at our educational and business meetings. Some Vendors do offer WSPMA Member discounts.*
- The WSPMA is a supporter of the Washington Friends of Farms and Forests (WFFF) and the Professional Pest Management Alliance (PPMA)
- All Members have access and are encouraged to use the WSPMA logo.