



The Benefits of Membership

Membership in the Right of Way Consultants Council is limited to firms that are in the business of providing right of way and land acquisition related services and meet the Board approved criteria for membership. The many benefits to being a member of the Consultants Council include:

- Members are leaders in the right of way consulting industry.
- Members are recognized as adhering to a high level of professional standards.
- Members are able to participate in the development of right of way industry standards.
- Members have a voice in the future direction of the right of way consulting industry.
- Members can receive email updates of discussion forums specific to their specialties, interests, and/or needs.
- Members have voting rights on Consultants Council business and elect the Board.
- Members are connected to a diverse network of member firms.
- The Right of Way Consultants Council is a mechanism for members to meet others in the right of way consulting industry.
- Members have input on and receive updates of Consultants Council activities and meetings.
- Members can receive email updates of new RFQ/RFP listings from the IRWA website and others (coming soon).
- Members receive notices and updates on issues that are important to the industry.
- Members have full participation in the Right of Way Consultants Council website (except board member sections).
- Members have access to forms, documents, and information in all sections of the download center.
- Members can enroll all employees of their firm to use the website at no additional charge.
- Members have the opportunity to post a direct link to their website (additional fees apply)
- Members are the future of the right of way industry!



Criteria for Membership

- Members of the Right of Way Consultants Council must be in the business of providing right-of-way and land acquisition related services, and:
- Members shall be companies, partnerships or sole proprietorships in good standing with any state or province in which they are engaged in business.
- All members must be authorized to do business in at least one state or province.
- Members must maintain an appropriate level of professional liability insurance coverage.
- Members must maintain an appropriate level of general liability insurance coverage.
- Members must support professional development of their employees.
- Members shall divulge if they have ever been disqualified from doing business in any state or province.
- Members require and assure that their employees and other individuals or entities providing right of way services under their direction comply with the IRWA Code of Ethics.
- Members must be in compliance with all applicable Federal, State and local withholding tax and employment laws and regulations (including but not limited to IRS Publication 15-A).
- Members shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations relating to the specific right of way and acquisition related services they provide.
- Members shall assure that all their contractors, subcontractors and independent agents comply with all applicable laws and regulation relating to the specific services they provide.
- Members shall be affirmed by a quorum of the Board.



Listing of Dues for Established Membership Categories:

- ◆ 0-20 employees, agents, contractors \$100
- ◆ 21-50 employees, agents, contractors \$200
- ◆ 51-100 employees, agents, contractors \$350
- ◆ Over 100 employees, agents, contractors \$500
- ◆ Client Affiliate* \$100
- ◆ Vendor Affiliate* \$100

*Client Affiliates are consumers of right of way and land acquisition services.

*Vendor Affiliates are those providing goods and services to those offering right of way and land acquisition-related services.



Right of Way Consultants Council

Ten Reasons to be a Member Company

The ROWCC:

1. The Right of Way Consultants Council is an organization that grew out of a desire for professionals in the right of way consulting industry to exchange ideas and information efficiently and to develop and promote standards for our industry.
2. Places your company among the elite in the ROW industry – the ROWCC is made up of the premier service providers in the Right of Way industry and counts among its members the best companies – both large and small.
3. The organization is made up of true employers and member companies are required to meet the IRS criteria as such –member companies do not utilize independent contractors for ROW assignments.
4. The Council is an organization representing the ROW industry with the ability and means to lobby State and Federal lawmakers on behalf of its member companies.
5. The ROWCC has represented its members by identifying the most economical and appropriate professional liability, property and casualty insurance options resulting in significant cost savings to many of its member companies.
6. The ROWCC endeavors to stay current on all pertinent labor law issues and to provide its members with education and information in timely presentations as it evolves.
7. The Council has developed standardized contracting approaches and job descriptions for its members to utilize in contract negotiations with client companies and public agencies.
8. The ROWCC has pledged to uphold the highest ethical standards of the International Right of Way Association.
9. The group seeks to assist client companies and public agencies in making equitable comparisons when considering potential service providers – i.e. to understand that utilizing member companies provides them with a degree of continuity relative to ethical standards, contract expectations and quality of work.
10. The ROWCC provides its member companies with a forum to network, learn from one another, share problems, provides guest speakers and educational opportunities, and seek meaningful solutions, both in Board and General sessions (typically three times per year) and through electronic communications and the ROWCC website.

New Member Application

Company Name: _____

Main Contact Name**: _____

*If you will NOT be the Main Contact in the future but oversee submitting the application and should be contacted with any questions or to be notified of the application status, check this box. ☐

Main Contact E-mail: _____

Main Contact Phone: _____

Company Address _____

☐ I certify that I have read the membership requirements, and our company is in compliance with them.

ROWCC Membership Type Sought. Please verify by checking the appropriate box.

- ☐ Standard – How many employees? _____
- ☐ Vendor Affiliate*
- ☐ Client Affiliate*

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Please note, Affiliate members are non-voting members and cannot be elected to the Board, though they may serve on committees.

Company Details:

Number of years in business: _____

- If this includes years prior to a merger/name change, please indicate the previous company name

Incorporated/Authorized In: _____

- In which state(s) is your headquarters incorporated or authorized to do business?

Please provide a brief executive summary for your firm: -

You may email your application to Michelle Wade at info@rowcouncil.org

Questions: Please call 360-620-2802 or email info@rowcouncil.org

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***MC receives dues invoices, important information, and is the company's voting member.*