

# MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

## STUDENT \$50 + GST

Actively enrolled as a student at a tertiary or higher education facility.

## INDIVIDUAL \$300 + GST

Interested in the organics recycling industry and not associated with a registered business or company. Example; Retired industry professional.

## ASSOCIATE \$750 + GST

Any business or company associated with the organics recycling industry, and operating in one state. Example; Consultants, laboratories, universities.

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATE \$1500 + GST

Any business or company associated with the organics recycling industry, and operating in two or more states. Example; National consultants, equipment companies, packaging manufacturers.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT & GOVERNMENT \$2000 + GST

Local Government, regional/groupings of local governments, state or federal departments.

## PROCESSOR \$750 + GST

Operate an organics recycling facility

## NATIONAL PROCESSOR \$1500 + GST

Operate organics recycling facilities in two or more states

*A processing levy is also applied to all processor members, calculated as the tonnage processed per annum. This is a cumulative total across all sites within your business.*



All AORA Memberships run from 1 July 2023 - 30 June 2024.

Pro-rata rates of 50% are applied from 1 January - 30 June 2024.

All AORA member applications are subject to AORA Board approval.

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# AUSTRALIAN ORGANICS RECYCLING ASSOCIATION

## AUSTRALIA'S LEADING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION FOR ORGANICS RECYCLING

The Australian Organics Recycling Association (AORA) is the Australian organics recycling industry's national peak industry body. AORA works on behalf of more than two hundred members to raise awareness of the benefits of recycling organic resources.

It aims to function as an advocate for the broader organics resource recovery and beneficial reuse industries, and to represent their views in a constructive dialogue with policymakers. The Association envisages an industry in which best practice is shared, standards are maintained and surpassed, and a positive contribution to safeguarding the environment is made.

The Association consists of a national body represented by a Board of Directors. State committees operate in defined geographical areas, advocating and managing their operations relevant to their region. The AORA Board, through a National Executive Officer, provides coordination, addressing state and national matters, with a team of national and state staff to assist in the delivery of activities.

## OUR VISION

Recycling and the reuse of organic materials with a circular economy is widely understood and supported by Australians.

## OUR MISSION

AORA works with all stakeholders to facilitate an operating environment which maximises the recycling and reuse of organic materials, and promotes the benefits of compost, soil conditioners and mulches across the Australian community and business.



# AORA MEMBER BENEFITS

- AORA is a not-for-profit, national industry peak body. Our span of interest and involvement within the Australian organics recycling industry covers the entire value chain; we are focused on all aspects of feed stock supply, the effective and efficient processing of these and the demand for and veracity of end-use final products.
- AORA has a well-established and highly regarded reputation within governments (Federal and State) and their associated agencies (e.g., EPA). This provides a halo effect for those organisations who wish to partner and associate with AORA. As a key industry stakeholder is sought out for consultation by government on important regulatory and policy developments within our wide ambit of the Australian organics recycling industry.
- AORA is a founding member of the International Compost Alliance, communicating and collaborating with similar organisations from around the world to share our knowledge and to understand emerging issues.
- AORA produces The Economic Contribution of the Australian Organics Recycling Industry and the Australian Organics Recycling Industry Capacity Assessment reports on a biannual basis – both are valuable references and guides for those operating within the Australian organics recycling industry and are initially only available to AORA members.
- AORA maintains a close watching brief on issues with the potential to impact the Australian organics recycling industry including, but not limited to, PFAS and other forever chemical residues, microplastics, the rollout of FOGO across state and local government authorities, policy development around single-use items, etc. Members are kept informed with the latest regulatory, state, and federal industry knowledge and developments via regular state and monthly national e-newsletter.
- A voice within the AORA industry development program to advocate, support and lead positive change across policy, regulations, research & development, and standards and specifications relevant to the Australian organic sector.
- Linkages with allied industry suppliers and technical advisers provide members with access to industry-recognised experts, information, and developments across the entire organics recycling value chain, including direct access to equipment manufacturers and suppliers who have first-hand organics processing expertise.
- AORA runs a highly successful annual conference every year, providing key insights into the current and future challenges (and solutions) facing the Australian organics recycling industry. AORA members receive discounts on tickets for the conference.
- Networking opportunities with other stakeholders, members and partners through workshops, field days, forums and webinars with member discounts on events, as well as member-exclusive events.

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	STUDENT	INDIVIDUAL	ASSOCIATE	NATIONAL ASSOCIATE	PROCESSOR	NATIONAL PROCESSOR	LOCAL GOV/GOV
EVENTS							
Member exclusive events	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Member discounts at state events	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
\$400 off AORA Conference ticket for June 2024 conference	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Opportunities for promotion of products at events	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
End user specific events (minimum 1 per state) and the ability to showcase products	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗*
INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT							
Advocacy on a state and national level	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Linkages with suppliers and technical advisers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Access & input into research & trials	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT							
Listing on public 'Find a Composter' directory	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗*
Ability to utilise the AORA Member logo	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
OTHER							
Subscription to Waste Management Review and Inside Waste	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Opportunities to participate in events eg. AORA organics zone	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Voting rights	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗*
AORA Member News - state specific	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AORA National Updates	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Access to member only publications	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
AORA will contribute to community newsletters/publications	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	2 yearly