



# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

## ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

Applicants for membership in the Society, other than honorary members, must submit an application in proper form to the TSPS office. Any person of good character who qualifies under one of the classes of membership set out below and whose application has been approved by the Executive Committee is eligible for membership. *Annual membership runs a calendar year, January 1-December 31.*

**Please print**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(first) (middle) (last) (preferred name)

Company \_\_\_\_\_ RPLS# \_\_\_\_\_ SIT# \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Bus. Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Designate the grade of membership desired by checking the appropriate box below. The qualifications required for different grades of membership are on the back of this application.

Category	TSPS	NSPS
<input type="checkbox"/> Registered Surveyor	\$245.00	\$40 (required)
<input type="checkbox"/> Geospatial Member	\$150.00	\$40 (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate/Surveyor in Training Member	\$70.00	\$40 (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> Affiliate Member	\$55.00	\$40 (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member	\$30.00	\$10 (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> Retired/Inactive Member	\$122.50	\$40 (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining Member	\$350.00	----

See reverse side for dues explanation

**Method of Payment:**  Check  MasterCard  Visa  AMEX  Discover

Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Acct.# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*As a consideration for membership in the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors, I hereby certify that I shall abide by the Canons of Ethics of said Society.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP LEVELS - dues listed are annual

### REGISTERED MEMBER (Registered Professional Land Surveyor) ..... \$285.00 (\$245.00 TSPS, \$40 NSPS required)

Any person who is registered under the Professional Land Surveying Practices Act. Registered members shall be entitled to vote and to hold any office in the Society. RPLS members also receive a full membership in the National Society of Professional Surveyors.

### GEOSPATIAL MEMBER ..... \$150.00; optional \$40 to NSPS

Any person who is actively engaged in a field of practice that acquires, manages, displays, analyzes, or otherwise uses data to support geospatial activities and who either:

- is a graduate of a school of higher education (college level) recognized by the Board with an Associate's Degree or higher in a geospatial field;
- has completed at least 32 semester hours of geospatial-related study at a school of higher education;
- holds a GIS Certification from an institute or organization recognized by the Board, or;
- has engaged in geospatial activities for a minimum of five years.

Geospatial members shall be eligible to vote; to only hold the office of Director in the State Society; and may hold any office in a local chapter except President.

### ASSOCIATE/SURVEYOR IN TRAINING MEMBER ..... \$70.00; optional \$40 to NSPS

Any person:

- registered as a Surveyor in Training or any graduate of a recognized school of higher education who intends to become a surveyor, or;
- who has been surveying for a minimum of four years, or;
- who has two years of surveying experience and has completed at least two years in a recognized school of higher education.

Associate and Surveyor in Training members may vote but not hold office.

### AFFILIATE MEMBER ..... \$55.00; optional \$40 to NSPS

Any non-RPLS person interested in advancing the aims of the Society. Affiliate members shall not be eligible to vote or hold office in the Society or in a local chapter except the office of Secretary/Treasurer.

### STUDENT MEMBER ..... \$30.00; optional \$10 to NSPS

Any undergraduate student of a recognized school of higher education who is interested in surveying. Student members shall not be eligible to vote or hold any office in the Society or in the local chapters. Student members shall be eligible to vote and hold office in student chapters.

Name of College or University \_\_\_\_\_ Year in school \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

### RETIRED/INACTIVE MEMBER ..... \$122.50; optional \$40 to NSPS

Any person:

- who is no longer regularly engaged in the practice of surveying;
- who has placed licensure on inactive status with TBPLS, and;
- who has a minimum of 10 years cumulative membership with TSPS and is at least 65 years of age.

### SUSTAINING MEMBER ..... \$350.00

Limited to companies interested in the advancement of the surveying profession in the State of Texas and the advancement of the aims of the Texas Society of Professional Surveyors. Sustaining members shall not be entitled to vote or hold office.

Sustaining members shall be entitled to: (1) First choice of exhibit space at annual convention. (2) Receipt of all newsletters, magazines and directories. (3) A 10% discount on all advertising with TSPS. (4) Listing on TSPS website and in member directory.

### NSPS MEMBER (Required for RPLS Members of TSPS, Optional for other categories).....\$40.00 Annually

*TSPS approved a new AOA (Articles of Affiliation) with the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) providing NSPS membership to all RPLS members of TSPS at a required fee of \$40. The \$40 membership with NSPS is optional but available for other TSPS member categories including: Geospatial; Associate/Surveyor in Training; Affiliate; and Retired/Inactive. Student members of TSPS may join NSPS through the AOA for an annual fee of \$10.*

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## DUES AND ASSESSMENTS

The annual dues of members of the Society, which shall be paid to the Secretary-Treasurer by all classes of membership except honorary and life members, shall be determined annually by the Board of Directors; and such determination shall be submitted to the membership at the Annual Meeting for approval or substitution of another amount for annual dues. If no action is taken at the Annual meeting, the annual dues for the preceding year shall be continued and paid.

Annual Dues shall be payable prior to January 1st of each year. The Secretary-Treasurer shall mail a bill to each member before that date, stating the amount payable. Members failing to pay dues by April 1 shall cease to receive any Society publications other than dues notice and any Annual Meeting Registration form. Members failing to pay dues ten days prior to the Annual Meeting shall have their votes disqualified. Members in arrears one year shall lose all privileges of membership until such arrears are met, and members more than two years in arrears shall be automatically dropped from the Society.

*(Dues are not deductible as charitable contributions, however, they may be deducted as a trade or business expense. Nine percent (9%) of your TSPS dues and ten percent (10%) of your NSPS dues are to be used for lobbying activities and therefore are not deductible. Consult your tax advisor.)*