

Patron Membership Benefits

Among the benefits associated with being a Patron Member of WISA, Patron Members are entitled to:

Your status in the water sector

1. You receive a framed WISA membership certificate at registration.
2. You enjoy the prestige of belonging to a professional organization, as a Patron Member.
3. Your name appears in the annual WISA member directory, if you so wish, and you receive a free copy thereof.
4. Your organization has one vote at the WISA AGM and WISA elections.
5. Your organization may use the provided membership logo on your company letterhead and advertising with `Patron Member`. Please note that the usage of the WISA logo specifically excludes any product labelling, or any form of product endorsement or approval.
6. Your name appears on the WISA letterhead.

Advertising and promoting your organization

7. You may publish your company profile on the WISA web site (full page) and in the WISA fortnightly Newsletter, once a year, for free.
8. You have the first option to provide any sponsorship, or donation, towards WISA Head Office, Branch or Division events and WISA products. WISA events may include international, national or regional conferences, technical tours, exhibitions etc. WISA products may include technical handbooks, corporate gifts, stationary, apparel etc.
9. You may advertise your organization, and/or its services, on the WISA website and in WISA publications at a discounted rate.
10. You may advertise an unlimited number of your organisation vacancies on the WISA web site for free.
11. You may advertise and promote your bursary programme, free of charge on any WISA channel.
12. You may request the assistance and support of WISA to promote your events that may benefit scholars, students, prospective WISA members or existing WISA members and the water sector, as a whole.

Building a relationship and getting involved

13. The CEO will strive to meet with you to discuss issues of mutual interest.
14. You may nominate 2 representatives from your organization to attend the annual WISA Patron Member Networking Event, free of charge.
15. You have the opportunity get involved as a volunteer in WISA technical committees, Branch and Division structures, offer advisory, coaching or mentorship services to members or get involved in the writing of articles or handbooks for the water sector.

16. You have the opportunity to provide feedback and suggestions relating to WISA events, products and services through WISA customer satisfaction surveys or by sending your feedback to membership@wisa.org.za

WISA Technical support, education and information services

17. WISA offers Continuous Professional Development (CPD) accredited events, and you will receive discounted rates for such events.
18. You have access to the technical support and information offered by WISA on its web site and social media platforms.
19. Your company's primary contact person, plus 4 additional employees, will receive a free copy of two bi-monthly printed magazines, namely `Water and Sanitation Africa` published by 3S Media and `The Water Wheel`, courtesy of the Water Research Commission.
20. Your company's primary contact person, plus 4 additional employees, will receive a free copy of all electronic WISA Newsletters.

WISA events

21. You have access to information regarding WISA events, including Division and Branch activities, on the WISA website, in the Branch and Division Electronic Newsletter and on the WISA Facebook and Twitter pages.
22. You may nominate 2 free delegates, 10 discounted delegates and 2 free full access exhibitors to attend the Biennial WISA conference, and you receive a free 3x3m exhibition stand.
23. You may nominate any number of attendees to attend any WISA Branch or Division event (excluding conferences) at a discounted rate.
24. You may nominate 5 delegates to attend any WISA conference (excluding the Biennial WISA conference) at a discounted rate. These conferences may be presented by a WISA Branch or Division. Additional discounts may be available for Patron members at such events.

WISA Products

25. You may purchase any WISA publications at a discounted rate. Bulk orders will be further discounted. These publications include WISA published handbooks and guidelines.
26. You may purchase WISA apparel including clothing and stationery at a discounted rate for bulk orders.