



***AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA  
MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES FOR 2008***

The membership categories and sliding scale for dues is as follows:

*Producer member*: any Company, Firm or individual engaged in growing aquaculture products commercially in Canada, or engaged in research and development efforts with a clear intention to undertake commercial aquaculture activities, and having an office or cultivation facility in Nova Scotia shall be eligible for Producer membership in the Association. Producer members will be entitled to at least one vote but may be entitled to more, based on the level of dues paid to the Association, as determined in the Bylaws of the Association. Producer members are eligible to be elected to the Board of Directors.

<u>Dues:</u>	<u>Gross Sales (farm gate)</u>	<u>Rate plus 13% HST</u>
	Less than \$50,000	\$500
	\$50,000 - \$499,999	\$1000
	\$500,000 - \$999,999	\$2000
	\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	\$3000
	\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	\$4000
	\$2,000,000 - \$2,499,999	\$5000
	\$2,500,000 - \$2,999,999	\$6000
	\$3,000,000 - \$4,999,999	\$7000
	\$5,000,000 - \$7,999,999	\$8000
	\$8,000,000 - \$9,999,999	\$9000
	More than \$10,000,000	\$10,000

Producer members are asked to indicate their level of sales on their membership application and they will be invoiced for dues at the corresponding rate. For companies with operations in other provinces, the rate is based only on product farmed in Nova Scotia. For finfish farms that use a single year-class system, you may estimate what your site production will be and pay accordingly.

Supplier/Processor member: any Company, Firm or individual in any profession connected with the growing, processing, packing, marketing and consulting of Nova Scotian aquaculture products and who/which is not eligible for Producer membership shall be eligible for Supplier/Processor membership. Supplier/Processor members shall be eligible to attend all meetings of the Association but are not eligible to vote. Supplier/Processor members are eligible to be elected to the Board of Directors. Free advertising in Association publications and reduced rates for trade show booths during the annual conference will be offered to Supplier/Processor members.

<u>Dues:</u>	<u>Gross Sales *</u>	<u>Rate plus 13% HST</u>
	Less than \$50,000	\$375
	\$50,000 - \$499,999	\$750
	\$500,000 - \$999,999	\$1500
	\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	\$2250
	\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	\$3000
	\$2,000,000 - \$2,499,999	\$3750
	\$2,500,000 - \$2,999,999	\$4500
	\$3,000,000 - \$4,999,999	\$7500
	\$5,000,000 +	\$10,000

\* Gross sales refer to sales to aquaculture operations in Nova Scotia.

Educational Institute member: any individual representing an educational institute or program with an interest in the success of the aquaculture industry in Nova Scotia who is not eligible for either Producer or Supplier/Processor membership shall be eligible for Educational Institute membership. Educational Institutes are eligible to participate in all meetings of the Association but are not eligible to vote or be elected to the Board of Directors.

Dues: \$500 plus 13% HST

Friends of the Association member: any individual with an interest in the success of the aquaculture industry in Nova Scotia who is not eligible for either Producer or Supplier/Processor membership shall be eligible for Friends of the Association membership. Friends of the Association are eligible to participate in all meetings of the Association but are not eligible to vote or be elected to the Board of Directors.

Dues: \$150 plus 13% HST

*Student member:* any individual enrolled in a recognized educational program with an interest in aquaculture shall be eligible for Student membership. Student members shall be eligible to participate in all meetings of the Association but are not eligible to vote or to be elected to the Board of Directors.

Dues:

\$25 plus 13% HST

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