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AATO MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS 2010

Listed below are some of the benefits, that membership in AATO can offer. Please note that some benefits are reserved for accredited members only.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

- Once accredited, a member may use one of the AATO protected titles; “Architectural Technologist” or “Registered Building Technologist” or “Architectural Technician” or “Registered Building Technician” - whichever is appropriate. A significant benefit, for when you have earned the right to use one of these exclusive, protected titles, for they are well recognized in the building industry as a higher level of professional.
- Accredited Technologists in private practice, with yearly proof of liability insurance may use the AATO professional stamp / seal.
- Accredited members have pre-approved recognition under the Condominium Act to conduct Reserve Fund Studies.
- Accredited members have pre – approved recognition to sign off on Lot Grading Plans, in some municipalities, if they have the knowledge and ability to do so.
- All members may display the official AATO logo. Intern and Associate members must also display their membership status along with the AATO logo.
- Accredited AATO members credentials are recognized across Canada and internationally, making it easy to transfer to other associations outside of Ontario. This allow our members to transfer to another province and retain their certified status.

BUSINESS PROMOTION

- Accredited members in private practice can choose to advertise via the AATO “Availability List”. Please note that yearly proof of Liability Insurance is mandatory to be included on this list.
- Accredited members in private practice can choose to advertise with “Casgaru” Please note that yearly proof of Liability Insurance is also mandatory, to be included on their website as a “professional guru”.
- The AATO ring(s), available in different styles, are also recognizable within the industry.

AFFINITY BENEFITS

- All members can benefit from better savings on liability (Errors & Omissions) insurance through our brokers ‘Sinclair – Cockburn Financial Group’, (a surcharge is applicable for Interns until they have successfully completed their internship).
- All members can receive discounts on car and home insurance, through ‘The Personal’ brokers.
- All members may receive special discount rates with the ‘CAA’ (Canadian Automotive

Association), when first joining the CAA. This offer is not available through the CAA website, stores or mall kiosks.

- All members can receive incredible discounts for their own homes and offices with ‘Velux Canada Inc’, the market leader in skylights.
- All members can receive special gas rates, reward programs and special benefits linked to the ‘Petro-Canada’ SuperPass credit card offered to all AATO members
- All members can enjoy discounts with ‘Hertz Car Rentals’, exclusively for AATO members.
- The official AATO logo is available to all members when ordering shirts, golf shirts and jackets with at any Mark’s Work Wearhouse stores in Ontario, just show them your current discount card, which also entitles members to a 10% discount on selected items.

INFORMATION

- All members enjoy a free subscription to the ‘HOMES & COTTAGES’ magazine.
- All members may sign up on line through our website to receive our quarterly AATO electronic newsletter ‘the CORNERSTONE’ to keep informed of AATO and building industry news, changes and events.
- All members gain access to local Chapters (where available) that provide technical seminars on the latest building materials, methods of construction, industry regulations, etc. Chapters provide a venue for these seminars for accredited members to fulfill their CPD (Continuing Professional Development) obligations, and Intern members can gain seminar credits toward their internship.
- All members are encouraged to participate in their Local Chapters, (where available) for they provide a place to meet and network with other members.
- All members are connected to a not-for-profit Association that has over 40 years of experience in the building industry.

INDUSTRY PRESENCE

- All members are part of a collective voice within the building industry, among other industry stakeholders and government regulatory bodies.
- All members have a say in how the Association is run. Although voting rights within the AATO are reserved for accredited members, all members can voice their concerns.

And last but not least.....

- All members belong to an Association that has its member’s interests as our number one priority. We are Canada’s largest and oldest Association of Architectural Technologists & Technicians, Registered Building Technologists & Technicians. We are independent of outside influences and very proud to represent our members and support their abilities to their fullest potential.