

# **Application for Membership**

I hereby apply for admission into the Vermont Society of Land Surveyors \_\_\_\_\_Member. I agree to comply with the VSLS Bylaws and Code of Ethics. as a: (type of membership—see list) Birthdate: Full Name:\_\_\_\_\_ Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: Work Address: Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred email address (required): \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred mailing address for society mailings (circle one): home / work **EDUCATION** School Date Graduated Degree **LICENSURE** L.S. Number P.E. Number Years of Experience State **NON-VERMONT RESIDENTS:** Please list your state society affiliation and member category. I have read the contents hereof and understand that the correctness and truth of my statements as recorded are material. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



# **Membership Levels**

There are various levels of membership for the Vermont Society of Land Surveyors, and each has a particular fee and benefits.

# Full Member: \$200/year

A full member is any member who is a land surveyor licensed by the State of Vermont. Applications must be approved by the Executive Committee. As part of their regular dues, full members also receive membership in the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS).

# Associate Member: \$75/year

An associate member is any person interested in surveying and mapping who does not qualify for other membership. Applications must be approved by the Executive Committee. Associate members enjoy the same rights and privileges as full members, except that they have can't vote in Society proceedings and they are ineligible to serve as officers

### Student Member: \$25/year

Student membership is open to any full-time student in civil engineering, forestry, land surveying, geodesy, mapping, or other related field. Applications must be approved by the Executive Committee. Student members shall enjoy the same rights and privileges as Full members, except they shall have no vote in Society proceedings, nor be eligible to serve as officers.

# Sustaining Member: \$125/year

A sustaining member is any individual or firm desiring to support the aims and objectives of the Society, who may or may not be entitled to one of the foregoing classes of membership. Applications must be approved by the Executive Committee. Sustaining members are not eligible to vote or hold any office in the Society; however, if a sustaining member also holds another class or other classes of membership, the sustaining member class shall not infringe upon such rights and privileges.

# Life Member: \$100/year

Life membership may be granted by vote of the Executive Committee to any Full Member 65 years old or older who has held a current dues card as a Full Member for 15 consecutive years immediately preceding, and who requests in writing to be granted the status of Life Member. Life members enjoy all the rights and privileges as Full members, and their dues are 50% of Full Member dues. Additionally, Life Members receive a 25% discount on all VSLS Education Programs.

# Out-of-State Member: 50% of regular dues for each membership category

Members of out-of-state Land Surveyors Associations may apply for membership under this category, subject to the following qualifications and restrictions.

- The applicant should be an individual interested in land surveying, registered or non-registered, who is not residing in Vermont and is not practicing Land Surveying full-time in Vermont.
- The applicant must belong to their home state association or society, as a member in the same category applied for or equivalent. Proof of current membership should accompany an application or renewal.
- The applicant's home state association or society must offer a similar arrangement through their by-laws, to VSLS members.
- Upon acceptance, out-of-state members will not have voting privileges in the society.
- Out-of-state members may not hold any office in the Society.
- Out-of-state members enjoy all Society benefits, publications and seminars.
- Out-of-state member dues are 50% of the regular dues of the category approved for membership.

#### **Emeritus Member: No dues**

Emeritus membership may be awarded by a two-thirds vote of the entire Executive Committee to any member over the age of 62 who has been a member in good standing for a minimum of ten years and has exhibited meritorious service to the profession and the Society. Emeritus members shall enjoy the same rights and privileges as Full members, but are exempt from all dues and assessments.

#### Honorary Member: No dues

Honorary membership may be awarded by vote of the Executive Committee to any person who has actively shown interest and assisted in the promotion of the object and purpose of the Society. Honorary members enjoy the same rights and privileges as Full members, except they can't vote in Society proceedings or serve as officers. Honorary members are exempt from all dues and assessments.



# **Membership Benefits**

Members of the Vermont Society of Land Surveyors receive a number of benefits as part of their annual membership:

#### Benefit 1

A discounted member rate to attend three educational events each year, pre-approved for professional development hours (PDH) by the Vermont Board of Land Surveyors:

- Spring Round Tables, held each year in April
- Fall Conference, held each year in September
- Winter Webinar/Conference, held each year in December

#### Benefit 2

Three issues per year of *The Cornerpost*, the professional magazine of the Vermont Society of Land Surveyors, with news and opinion pieces from surveyors in Vermont and New England.

#### Benefit 3

Monthly e-newsletter with regional job postings and notices of professional activities.

#### Benefit 4

Inclusion in the online search feature, "Find A Surveyor," on the VSLS website.

#### Benefit 5

Full VSLS members automatically receive membership in the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS); others may opt to join for an extra \$50/year. NSPS membership includes:

- A bi-weekly e-newsletter with news of national and regional interest
- Professional representation at the national level
- A group healthcare plan for those interested in participating