



Network Test Automation Forum Information Brief For Prospective Members

NTAF was created to promote the interoperability of commercial testing tools and test infrastructure for the data communications and telecommunications industry. The organization brings together commercial testing vendors, test equipment vendors, and other industry experts to create interoperable testing solutions for service providers, network equipment manufacturers, and other enterprise organizations with large network deployments.

NTAF welcomes applications from companies, organizations, or individuals with an interest in network test.

Membership Information

Prospective members must complete a membership application form <http://www.ntaforum.org/about/join.html> and submit it to the NTAF Board for approval.

Principal Membership in NTAF entitles the Member Company to attend all annual, general, special and committee meetings of the forum. Principal members are entitled to:

- ❖ One (1) vote on all Forum issues
- ❖ Access to all working documents, meeting minutes and email mailing lists
- ❖ Run for a seat on the Board of Directors and Committee officer positions
- ❖ Submit contributions to the Technical Committee

Membership is valid for one (1) calendar year, from January 1- December 31.

Membership Dues

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Principal Membership - Large Company* | \$15,000 USD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Principal Membership - Small Company** | \$ 7,500 USD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Principal Membership - Individual*** | \$ 7,500 USD |

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*** Individual members may join NTAF if they are not employed by a corporation or entity that meets the revenue threshold for Large or Small Principal Membership.

As of August 4, 2010, the NTAF Board of Directors agreed to pro-rate membership dues for new Principal Members. Pro-rated dues are available on a one-time only basis for new Principal Members. Principal members will be invoiced for the full month in which they submit their application regardless of the specific date that their application is submitted and/or received.

In order to be eligible to receive pro-rated dues, Principal Members:

- Must have joined NTAF on or after August 2010
- Must pay the current year's pro-rated dues (see Tables 1 and 2 below) AND pay the following year's dues in full with the following year's dues paid in full no later than January 1.

Members of the NTAF must act in accordance with the NTAF Bylaws, Intellectual Property Rights Policy, Anti-trust Guidelines, Technical Committee Operating Procedures, and other policies and procedures adopted by the NTAF Membership or Board of Directors. Submission of the membership application is acknowledgement that, upon becoming a member of the NTAF, the applicant agrees to at all times act in accordance with such documents and fully support and abide by the policies, as such are modified from time to time.

Per Section 3.2b of the NTAF Bylaws, Affiliates are ineligible to join the NTAF. "Affiliate" means any Person who, as determined in the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of Directors (i) directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, another Principal Member, or (ii) has a material financial relationship with any other existing Principal Member, where the relationship would interfere with the ability of either of such members to meet the responsibility of independent representation in connection with all matters respecting the Corporation.

Committee Meetings

NTAF currently holds two formal Technical Committee Meetings per year; one face to face meeting (Annual Meeting) and one virtual meeting. In the interim, the Technical Committee and Marketing Committee respectively meet every other week for one hour via teleconference. Additional committee activity is conducted via email and/or mailing lists.

All Principal Member representatives and their colleagues are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in all face to face meetings and teleconferences. Meeting minutes are distributed to all members. Members also have access to a document repository containing proposals, draft standards and commentary.

2012 Technical Committee Meeting Schedule- TBD

To view the current list of NTAF members, please go to:

<http://www.ntaforum.org/members/index.html>

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