

Membership Form



Food, cooking and the passion with which it is associated are fast becoming topics of enormous interest to the public, and while chefs have less mystery and are more accessible to the consumer than ever before, their skills are still held in extremely high regard. It is through your membership to the South African Chefs Association (SACA), and by default to the World Association of Chefs Societies (WACS), that those skills are nurtured, supported and built upon.

SACA is a non-profit organisation representing in excess of 4000 of the country's finest chefs, restaurateurs, educators, learners, culinarians and other interested parties. With established branches across the country and a network that reaches all four corners of the globe.

The SACA website - www.saca.co.za - links local chefs, trainees, hospitality industry players and other interested parties to colleagues and information from around the world, while the Centre for Culinary Excellence (CCE) is home to one of the greatest collections in the South African culinary and hospitality industry - and THE definitive reference source for industry, both physical and virtual; offering SACA members an all-access pass to a vast collection of books, magazines, videos, multimedia and menus, as well as invitations to attend our annual Infochef conference, and other educational workshops run throughout the year.

On signing up as a SACA member you will receive a SACA pin, certificate and membership card. You will also have the right to use the designatory letters appropriate to your type of membership, while Corporate and Training Provider members may use the SACA logo on stationery and create a logo hyperlink linking your website to ours. Members receive SACA's official magazine, CHEF! for 12 issues per year, regular correspondence, updates, industry information and invites in the form of emails and sms'.

You will have the opportunity to enter local and international competitions, participate in food promotions and events, take part in radio and television interviews and demonstrations, become a member of the National Culinary Team or Junior Team, be selected as a Academy of Chefs members, attend networking and social events countrywide, get involved in charity work; as well as receive a variety of discounts on trade and consumer magazines, knives, jackets..... And a WHOLE lot more!

As you can see, from events and competitions, to workshops and demonstrations, SACA is the authority on all things culinary in South Africa. So what are you waiting for? Become a member now!

Membership Categories

1. **Junior membership (R150 for 2 years)** is for trainees and students in the industry, students & members whose careers are based on practical rather than academic or structured foundations. This grade is available for two years at which point the individual is automatically upgraded to an Intermediate Member. Junior members do not have voting rights.
2. **Intermediate membership (R150 p/a)** is for junior/commis chefs as well as trainees / in service training within a recognised programme. This is an annual membership from which you are upgraded to a professional member. Intermediate members do not have voting rights.
3. **Professional membership (R250 p/a)** is for practising chefs, hotel school graduates who have been in the industry for more than 3 years and persons directly involved in the hotel, hospitality and catering industry. They should hold a position of responsibility and have followed a recognised training course or have been a Junior and Intermediate member. Professional members may use the SACA logo on Chef Jackets indicating their membership. Logos may not be used on business stationery or cards unless they join as Corporate Members. Professional members have voting rights.
4. **Associate membership (R250 p/a)** is for those not eligible for full membership but associated in some way with the industry. Associate members do not have voting rights.
5. **Academy of Chefs membership (R280p/a)** individuals may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be inducted into the Academy of Chefs. Academy of Chefs members have voting rights.
6. **Fellow membership (R280p/a)** individuals may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be awarded a fellowship. Fellow members have voting rights.
7. **Corporate membership (New Corporate member R2500)** is open to all suppliers of goods and services within the industry, restaurants and hotels. Corporate members will have their details posted on our website, along with a link to their website and may use our logo - upon approval by head office.
8. **Training Provider membership (New Training Provider member R2500)** is open to all cookery schools, training institutions and colleges within the industry. Training Provider members will have their details posted on our website, along with a link to their website and may use our logo - upon approval by head office.

