

Membership Fees

2023 Membership Fees (commencing January 1, 2023) As a registered optometrist in British Columbia, you are invited to be a member of the British Columbia Association of Optometrists (BCAO). As a member of BCAO, you are also a member of the Canadian Association of Optometrists (CAO). Payments may be made by cheque, VISA, MasterCard, or on the BCAO website (bc.doctorsofoptometry.ca) and a four payment installment plan is also available.

Early Bird registration discount: Full-Time members will receive a \$100 discount; Part-Time/Semi-Retired, New Grad Year 3 and New Grad Year 2 members will receive a \$50 discount on BCAO fees if the membership fee is paid by in full by December 15, 2022.

BCAO membership fees for 2023 are as follows:

Membership Classes	BCAO fees	CAO fees	Public Education Assessment	Total (plus applicable taxes)
General Member	\$1,600.00	\$415.00	\$800.00	\$2,815.00
Categories:				
New Member*	\$1,600.00	\$415.00	\$800.00	\$2,815.00
New Graduate Year 1* **	Waived	Waived	Waived	Waived
New Graduate Year 2*	\$500.00	\$103.75	\$200.00	\$803.75
New Graduate Year 3*	\$800.00	\$207.50	\$400.00	\$1,407.50
Part-Time Member* / Semi-Retired Member*	\$800.00	\$207.50	\$400.00	\$1,407.50
Temporary Member	\$533.33	\$138.33	\$266.66	\$938.32
Disabled / Partially Disabled Member	Fees to be determined by the directors on a case-by-case basis			
Leave of Absence***	Fees reduced up to a maximum of 6 months			
Associate Member ****	\$200.00	\$0	\$0	\$200.00
Retired Member	\$25.00	\$0	\$0	\$25.00
Honourary Member	Membership fees waived			
Student Member	Membership fees waived			

* The BCAO portion of the fees are prorated on a monthly basis for new members.

** New Graduate Year 1 also receives a 50% discount on the BC Doctors of Optometry Annual Conference & OPTOFAIR registration fees in your first year of registration

*** Refer to "Notes" under Membership Classes and Categories for terms and conditions

**** This category is not available to licensed optometrists. Refer to Membership Categories for definition