

# Membership Application

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 I was recruited by: \_\_\_\_\_ (member's name) \_\_\_\_\_ (membership #)  
 Have you ever been a member of AST?  No  Yes, under the name of \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMBERSHIP DUES **Membership categories explained on the back of this form.**

Please check the appropriate choice for membership dues or bundle.

**ACTIVE** — \$80\*\*  **ASSOCIATE** — \$80\*\*  **AFFILIATE** — \$80\*\*

\*\* *Additional Membership Discount:*

- Two Years — \$150 (\$10 savings)*
- Three Years — \$210 (\$30 savings)*
- Four Years — \$260 (\$60 savings: save \$60 for use toward your NBSTSA renewal certification application fee)*

**RETIRED/DISABLED** — \$45 DUES (See reverse side for eligibility requirements.)

### DUES INFORMATION

All dues are for one year. Dues are not refundable and membership is not transferable. A portion of your dues are allocated to the state assembly of your choice. (For details on how to contact your state assembly visit [www.ast.org](http://www.ast.org)). A subscription to *The Surgical Technologist* is included in the dues.


## PAYMENT METHOD **Remit to: AST, 6 W Dry Creek Circle, Ste 200, Littleton, CO 80120-8031 or fax 303-694-9169**

Check or money order enclosed (make checks payable to AST)

Bill my credit card:  VISA  MasterCard  AmEx # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

- Check here if you **do not** wish to receive email notification in addition to your regular postal notifications.
- AST shares mailing information with a very limited number of organizations which provide membership with liability coverage and other services at a discounted rate as a benefit of membership. Check here if you **do not** wish to receive information.

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Today!** 

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## MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

### **Active Membership**

- One who has passed the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) national certifying examination in surgical technology and maintains certification as defined by the NBSTSA.
- Active members have voice and vote.
- Certified members will revert to associate status, if their certification currency expires or lapses.

### **Associate Membership**

- One who has passed the national certifying examination but has not maintained certification currency as defined by the NBSTSA. A pre-1977 with lifetime certification who has not chosen to achieve currency with the NBSTSA by submitting CEs, etc, or has allowed it to lapse.
- One who has proof of either having completed or being currently enrolled as a student in a CAAHEP accredited surgical technology program or its equivalent. (For student discount see student application at [www.ast.org](http://www.ast.org).)
- Employed as a surgical technologist and not currently certified by the NBSTSA.
- One whose primary source of employment is teaching in a CAAHEP-accredited surgical technology program or its equivalent. This includes RNS or other non-CST, CSFAs who teach.
- CSFAs who do not have the CST credential.
- Associate members have voice but no vote.

### **Affiliate Membership—Individual**

- Any individual or organization that wishes to affiliate with AST. O.R. Purchasing Managers, O.R. Materials Managers, O.R. Managers, Operating Department Practitioners, Central Sterile Supply Techs, Anesthesia Techs, Cardiac Cath Techs, Labor and Delivery Techs, Autotransfusionists, Aides (UAPs), Employers or Manufacturers/Sales Reps of health care related companies
- Affiliate members have voice but not vote.

### **Student Membership**

- Students formally enrolled in a CAAHEP or ABHES-accredited program. For the discounted \$45 student membership and first-time exam bundle, please refer to the AST Student Application at [www.ast.org](http://www.ast.org).

### **Retired/Disabled**

- Retired member requirement—must be 65 or older and submit documentation of age.
- Disabled member requirement—must submit official documentation of permanent disability.
- Have voice and vote—maintains certification as defined by the NBSTSA.
- Have voice but not vote—has not maintained certification currency as defined by the NBSTSA.