LIFE MEMBERSHIP

As a Life Member, you:

- Are not entitled to practise any aspect of professional forestry, or represent yourself as able to practise in either a paid or volunteer capacity. You are not able to practice again unless you are approved as a Full or Associate Member.
- Must return your seal/stamp and previously issued membership certificate. A new certificate for Life Membership will be issued to you.
- Are entitled to use the designations: R.P.F. (Ret.), Retired Professional Forester, Professional Forester (Retired), or Associate R.P.F. (Ret.), provided that it is not used to represent yourself as able to practise professional forestry.
- Will continue to receive all member notices and a link to the quarterly *The Professional Forester* newsletter.
- Are entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting.
- Are required to ensure your personal information (e.g. address) is up to date on your member record.
- Must notify the Registrar of any change in your Good Character within 30 days.
- May apply to return to Full or Associate Membership. To be approved as a practising member:

    - Provide proof of how you have maintained your competency, unless you have continued to report your annual competency information, such as continuing education hours.
    - You may be required to complete module 2 of the online Bridge Training for Foresters Ontario Forest Policy and Legislative Framework if you return to Full or Associate Membership after being a Life Member for 5 years, but less than 15 years. If you return after 15 years, you will be required to complete Modules 1 and 2.
    - You will be required to demonstrate competency in the Indigenous Peoples, Lands & Resources (IPLR) Standard if you did not previously demonstrate competency in this professional standard.
    - You may be subject to other requirements deemed necessary by the Registration Committee.

To apply for Life Membership, you must:

- Have been a Full, Associate, Inactive, or Non-Resident in good standing for at least 25 years in Ontario or another jurisdiction. Proof of membership in another jurisdiction must be provided.
- Submit a Category Change Form.

- Pay the Category Change Fee and, should your application be approved, the one-time lump sum Life Membership fees for the current year prorated from the time of your application (see Fee Schedule).