



Eligibility for Membership

There are two categories of Membership in the Ocean Cruising Club:

- **Full Membership** - A Full Member of the OCC must have completed a non-stop ocean passage between two ports, where the distance between the ports is not less than 1,000 nautical miles measured by the shortest practical Great Circle route, as skipper or member of the crew in a vessel of not more than 70ft (21.3 m) LOA.
- **Associate Membership** - An Associate Member must have made a clear commitment to achieve the qualifying passage in a realistic and reasonable time-scale. The time allowed is at the discretion of the General Committee and shall take account of all the circumstances of each individual applicant, but it shall not normally exceed three years.

Minimum Age. As a general rule the minimum age for Full Membership is 16 years. However, under certain circumstances, the Membership Sub-committee may waive this rule.

Joining the Ocean Cruising Club

Applications for membership should be submitted online using the form at <https://oceancruisingclub.org/Join-Online> .

Applicants for either Full or Associate membership must be proposed by a Full Member of the Club. However, if such a proposer is not available to you, please contact newmembers@oceancruisingclub.org and we will assist you in finding a proposer to support your application.

OCC Burgee - OCC members are among the most adventurous sailors in the world. Although we have no physical club house, the OCC offers a 'place' to be together, to share experiences, to enjoy one another's company. To this end all OCC members are strongly encouraged to fly the OCC Burgee whenever and wherever they are afloat. As part of the online application process you will be invited to select a burgee of a size appropriate to your vessel so that fellow members can easily identify you and welcome you into our unique community.

Subscriptions

There are a number of different subscription rates:

- **Normal Rate** – Payable by Full and Associate Members over the age of 30.
- **Joint Subscription Rate** -Two members (Full or Associate) who have the same postal address may apply for a reduced annual joint subscription rate. Any of their children, who are Full Members, may be included in the Joint Subscription Rate applicable to Young Adults. A couple sailing together are encouraged to apply for this joint rate. Only one joining fee will be charged.
- **Young Adult Subscription Rate** - An applicant who is under 30 years of age on February 1st of this year is eligible for a reduced subscription rate. There are no joining fees for those eligible for a Young Adult Subscription Rate.

Those re-joining the OCC are not required to pay a Joining Fee but the year of joining and leaving OCC must be entered on the application form in order to qualify for this waiver.

Current Subscription Rates – 1 February to 31 January

Rate	Annual subscription
Joining Fee (does not apply to Young Adult, re-joiners or additional Joint members)	£50 paid once
Full and Associate Members	£55
Joint Subscription with another member, sharing the same mailing address	£42.50 per person over 30
Young Adult (under 30)	£35
Young Adult joint with another member, sharing the same mailing address	£28 per person under 30