

Maine CPAs who join the Maine Society of CPAs:

- ❖ Take great pride in the CPA profession.
- ❖ Commit to the highest standards of professional ethics and excellence.
- ❖ Understand that investing in their future is always a wise decision.

BENEFITS OF MSCPA MEMBERSHIP

The Maine Society of Certified Public Accountants was established to promote and maintain a high standard of integrity while helping Maine CPAs manage their practice and keep informed of new regulations, procedures, and trends in accounting. The Society offers many professional services and activities to its members, including:

Continuing Professional Education

As an MSCPA member, you'll save on a variety of top-quality CPE courses taught by highly qualified, experienced instructors from around the country. You can easily recover the cost of your membership dues with MSCPA member CPE discounts.

Full time legislative representation

You have a voice at the state capitol that's heard, thanks to your Society and the MSCPA's lobbyist. Legislators, leaders, and opinion makers open their doors to us, trust what we say and almost always respond favorably. We strive to promote uniformity of regulations and to protect the integrity of your CPA certificate and to oppose legislation detrimental to the profession.

Enforcement of High Ethical Standards

We all benefit from CPAs adhering to the highest of ethical standards. The Society is a part of the nation-wide Joint Ethics Enforcement Program because we believe one of the hallmarks of a quality profession relates to a strong ethics-oriented approach to work.

National Representation

Your Society is actively involved in the decision-making process at the national level so that we can influence decisions that could impact you in your day-to-day work in the State of Maine. Two members of the Maine Society of CPAs serve on the American Institute of CPA's Council and many more serve on AICPA Committees.

Website

Our website is your resource center. Visit www.mecpa.org for details about available CPE and online course registration, important professional issues, business and tax links, Society events, contact information and other resource tools.

Representation with the Maine Board of Accountancy

The Maine Board of Accountancy is the regulatory body in Maine that administers the laws and regulations associated with being a CPA. Because the actions of the Board of Accountancy potentially impacts all Maine CPAs, the MSCPA is represented at all meetings of the State Board.

E-newsletter *Maine-ly E-counting*

Published 4 times a year and provided free to all Society members, the official Society publication keeps members updated on important professional issues, provides news about other members and about Society initiatives and events.

Find-A-CPA Referral Service

The public can receive referrals directly from the Society's website. The Find-A-CPA Online Referral promotes to the public the value and range of services that CPAs provide and will assist in building your client base. The Service is free to MSCPA members to list their firms and to the public and allows individuals and businesses to search for a CPA by location, client service, industries served, size of firm and foreign language.

Additional Discounts

On CCH's Master Tax Guide, MSCPA members receive a 30% discount on more than 175 CCH tax and accounting publications including the U.S. Master Tax Guide.

On dental insurance...MSCPA members receive discounted group rates on dental insurance from Northeast Delta Dental.

On credit card merchant services when you accept credit cards through ProPay.

On life, disability, and long-term care insurance...In order to provide MSCPA members with the greatest possible value for their insurance dollar, the Society has endorsed the following portfolio of insurers and products:

Long-term Life Insurance – Savings Bank Life Insurance (SBLI) of Massachusetts

Disability Income Insurance – The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America

Long-term Care Insurance – John Hancock Financial Metropolitan Life

On telephone...The MSCPA, in conjunction with BCN Telecom, is pleased to offer you exceptional savings on all of your long distance calling, guaranteed 24 hours per day!



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

❖ **On-line** at www.mecpa.org; choose Membership and Apply
 ❖ **Fax** to (207) 883-6211 if paying by credit card
 ❖ **Mail** this form with dues payment to: MSCPA,
 153 US Route 1, Ste. 8, Scarborough, ME 04074

3 Convenient Ways to Apply!

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home | Mailing Address _____
 Phone _____ E-Mail _____
 Send E-mail to this address (please choose only one address)

Work | Firm or Organization _____
 Mailing Address _____
 Street Address _____
 Phone _____ Fax _____ E-Mail _____
 Send E-mail to this address (please choose only one address)

Position in Firm/Organization: Partner (Shareholder) Manager Staff Other title _____

Education

Colleges or Universities attended: _____ Years Attended or Degree: _____

Employment

Record of employment for the past five years, including present:

Employer	City, State	Start Date	End Date	Job Title

Certificate/Licensing Information

Do you hold a valid CPA certificate from the Maine? Yes No Maine Certificate Number: CP _____

If no, provide other state(s) in which you hold a valid CPA certificate: State(s): _____ Certificate Number(s): _____

Are you an AICPA member? Yes No AICPA Member Number: _____

Do you hold membership with other professional organization(s): _____

Other professional designations you've obtained: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felonious charge? Yes No

I agree that, if admitted into membership, I will abide by the Bylaws and Code of Professional Conduct of the Maine Society of CPAs. I will also comply with the Bylaws regarding Peer Review and CPE as they apply to me.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Amount Paid: \$ _____

Method of Payment: Check to MSCPA (see the reverse side for dues structure) 3-4 digit CVV Code: _____
 (required for processing)

Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date ____ / ____ (mm/yy)

Name on Card _____ Cardholder's Signature _____

Credit Card Statement mailing address: _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

ACTION BY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Action: _____ Signed by: _____
 Name: _____ Title: _____

CURRENT DUES STRUCTURE

(June 1, 2008 – May 31, 2009)

Member Type	Description	Dues Amount
Regular	A CPA working in public practice	\$ 225.00
Other	A CPA working in industry or for a government agency	\$ 210.00
Associate	College accounting graduates who are preparing for or who have passed the exam but are not yet certified.	\$ 190.00
Educator	A CPA who is a <i>full-time</i> educator at an accredited Maine college or university whose primary income is not derived from public accounting.	\$ 150.00
Inactive	Temporary status granted to MSCPA members in good standing at the time of request due to unemployment, leave of absence, maternity leave, military leave, etc.	\$ 100.00
Retired	A CPA who is retired	\$ 35.00
Professional Affiliate	A person employed by a CPA firm as a firm administrator; or, a non-CPA partner of a firm; or, any persons such as non-CPA accountants, managers, CEOs, CFOs, business/finance analysts, actuaries, marketing directors, consultants, administrators, training professionals, accounting system specialists, personal financial analysts, etc., employed in a professional firm whose duties actively support a CPA	\$ 140.00
Affinity Affiliate	Available for persons who are not CPAs, but have business relevancy to CPAs and the accounting profession. These individuals provide products or services specifically to CPAs, such as investments, banking, construction, real estate, insurance, employee benefits, recruiting, consulting, technology, etc.	\$1,500.00*

**Affinity Affiliation begins at \$1,500 per year. Contact the MSCPA for further information*