

The varying individual membership grades are designed to recognise the different stages of your career. Grades are awarded on a combination of qualifications, experience and commitment to continuous professional development (CPD).

Where noted below, members can use post-nominals to indicate their grade. As you progress in your career you can apply to upgrade to ensure your individual membership grade always reflects your current position.

AFFILIATE

Likely to be a student or working in an affiliated profession.

ASSOCIATE (ABPA)

Likely to be new to the parking profession or working at operational level.

Holds a parking specific qualification OR a minimum of a full level 2 qualification (such as 5 GCSEs or an NVQ) OR international equivalent.

Commits to maintaining a CPD record and plan.

MEMBER (MBPA)

Eligible to upgrade from Associate after 3 years only OR a minimum of a level 4 qualification or equivalent (such as degree level study).

Commits to maintaining a CPD record and plan.

FELLOW

MBPAs only are eligible for Fellowship status through nomination by a third party.

Commits to maintaining a CPD record and plan demonstrating ongoing commitment and continuous contribution to the parking profession.

RETIRED MEMBER

Open to individuals no longer working in parking or related progression (corporate or individual members status).



| | Affiliate | Associate | Member | Fellow | Retired |
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| E-newsletter and Parking News | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Individual log-on to BPA website with access to CPD and careers-based support | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Member rate at BPA events | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Entitlement to use corresponding post-nominal letters | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Opportunity to achieve CPD award | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Eligibility to be elected to represent individual members on the Professional Development and Standards board and BPA Council | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| CPD is optional | ✓ | | | | ✓ |