



SEBSA Membership Benefits

SOUTHEASTERN BIOLOGICAL SAFETY ASSOCIATION (SEBSA) MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The SEBSA operating and membership year runs from January 1st to December 31st. To maintain your membership, you must submit an application and dues every year, even if you are a returning member.* In order to ensure that you are eligible for all benefits of membership for the current year, membership application and fees should be submitted before June 1st.

SEBSA membership benefits include:

- Receipt of all SEBSA group communications
- Discount on SEBSA Biosafety Symposium registration
- Inclusion of your profile in the Regional Resource Guide & Membership Directory
- Receipt of the Regional Resource Guide & Membership Directory (distributed in July)
- Access to SEBSA-organized webinars (2 per year)
- Access to SEBSA Memberspace
- 0.5 certification maintenance points for RBP & CBSP
- Eligible to nominate or be nominated for a Board of Directors vacancy for the upcoming year
- Eligible to vote in the SEBSA election and on other membership voting matters

If you are joining SEBSA June 1st or after, you will receive the benefits for the remainder of the year as previously listed with the following exceptions:

- Inclusion of your profile in the Regional Resource Guide & Membership Directory
 - You will receive the Regional Resource Guide & Membership Directory for the current year, but it will not be possible to include your profile due to the timing of the publication deadline.
- 0.5 certification maintenance points for RBP & CBSP
 - SEBSA members may only claim CM points for full year membership participation. Therefore, you should not claim CM points for this year if you do not take action to join before June 1st.

If you are joining SEBSA for the first time after September 30th, your application and fees will be applied to the upcoming year. Accordingly, all annual benefits outlined above will apply for the upcoming year. However, you will receive the following benefits for the remainder of the current year as a courtesy:

- Receipt of SEBSA group communications with the exception of election/voting communications
- Access to SEBSA-organized webinars

*Returning SEBSA members do not need to wait until the beginning of an operating year to renew their membership. In fact, members are encouraged to apply and pay their dues for the upcoming year beginning in October of the current year if at all possible. (This “cycle” is in line with other professional organizations, and therefore should be more efficient for both members and those processing applications.)

If you have any questions or extenuating circumstances that impact membership deadlines, please feel free to contact Kalpana Patel, Membership Team Chair for assistance.