

River Management Society Membership – Frequently Asked Questions

♦ What is the River Management Society (RMS)?

RMS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the professionals who study, protect, and manage North America's rivers. Our members include planners, outfitters, scientists, rangers, educators, advocates, students, and more—all united by a shared passion for river management and stewardship.

♦ Who should become a member?

Anyone who works on, studies, or cares about rivers! Our members include:

- Federal, State and Local river managers
 - River-ologists (scientists and researchers)
 - Environmental science and outdoor recreation educators
 - Students and early-career professionals
 - Recreation professionals, outfitters, and guides
 - Planners and engineers
 - Advocates and policymakers
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♦ What are the benefits of being a member?

Membership connects you to:

- A nationwide network of river professionals
- Biweekly news, jobs, and grant opportunities
- The quarterly *RMS Journal* (digital or print)

- Member-only resources and forums
 - Discounted access to river trips, trainings, and the biennial RMS Symposium
 - Leadership and public speaking opportunities
 - Certification and training options
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♦ **How much does membership cost?**

We offer several membership levels to fit different needs, including:

- **Professional:** \$60 annually
- **Organization:** \$75 for 1-2 people, \$150 for 3-4 people, \$300 for 5-8 people
- **Student:** \$30 annually
- **Associate:** \$40 annually (retirees and friends)
- **Lifetime:** \$750

Current rates and benefits can be found here: <https://www.river-management.org/membership>

♦ **Can I get involved beyond just joining?**

Absolutely! Members can:

- Join local chapters and attend regional events
- Serve on RMS committees or the Board
- Contribute articles to the *RMS Journal*
- Nominate peers (or be nominated!) for awards
- Help plan workshops, trainings, or river trips

- ◆ **How do I join?**

Joining is easy! Just visit <https://www.river-management.org/membership>, select your membership level, and complete the form.

- ◆ **Who do I contact if I have questions?**

Email rms@river-management.org and we'll be happy to help!