



ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP EKS

A. Eligibility for active membership

- 1) An accomplished Orthopaedic Surgeon or research scientist, who has demonstrated interest in the advancement of orthopaedic surgical knowledge of the knee joint in health and/or arthritic disorders of the knee through substantiated accomplishments such as special studies, writings, lectures, etc.
- 2) The applicant should be five years or more post-residency or fellowship, or completion of formal education or training, (i.e., PhD) at the time of presentation by the Membership Chair to the Board at the Members Meeting.
- 3) Shall be a person of good ethical standing in his or her own community in Europe.
- 4) If the prospective member is an Orthopaedic Surgeon, he shall be a member of his National orthopedic association
- 5) A candidate for membership shall have performed an average of at least fifty (50) knee replacements each of the preceding three years, or devote at least fifty-one (51) percent of his/her practice to surgery of the arthritic knee, or have at least thirty (30) percent of his/her research relevant to, and immediately related to the arthritic knee. Under unusual circumstances, the Membership Committee may elect to waive or modify these requirements.
- 6) A candidate for membership shall have demonstrated an interest in disorders of the knee by presentations on the knee at national or international meetings, and/or publications on the knee in a peer reviewed journal. There should be a minimum of at least five (5) peer reviewed knee publications and/or peer reviewed presentations during the five (5) years prior to the candidate's consideration by the membership committee.

B. Rights and Responsibilities of Active Members

- 1) May vote.
- 2) May serve on committees of the Society.
- 3) May hold office in the Society.
- 4) Must pay yearly dues and special assessments as determined by the Executive Board. If annual dues are not paid after two reminders, then membership is forfeited.



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- 5) Must maintain good professional and ethical standings in their community.
- 6) Must attend at least every second (2nd) Members Meeting of the society. If a member does not attend at least one Members Meeting every two (2) years, membership will be forfeited, unless there is a reason, considered by the Executive Board to be satisfactory.
- 7) Shall submit at least one (1) abstract for presentation at an European Knee Society meeting every three (3) years, for the first ten (10) years of his/her active membership, or membership will be forfeited, unless there is a reason, considered by the Executive Board to be satisfactory. After ten (10) years of active membership, this abstract submission requirement for maintaining membership ceases.
- 8) The presenter of a paper to the European Knee Society is encouraged to submit the manuscript for publication in the proceedings of the official journal of the society (as decided by the executive board).