

## **Why Join**

### Membership FAQ

#### **1. How do I join NECA?**

Membership in NECA begins with a local chapter, organized by geographic location. Find the NECA chapter serving your company here.

Local NECA chapters review all initial membership applications. Once approved for membership by a NECA chapter, an electrical contractor is eligible for national NECA membership. The chapter submits the contractor's application for national membership.

#### **2. Who is eligible to join NECA?**

NECA membership is only available to a person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of electrical contracting, defined as the business of erecting, installing, repairing, servicing or maintaining electric wiring, devices or equipment.

This means NECA members are the electrical contracting companies. Employees at NECA member contractors are eligible for all member benefits after they are added to their company's membership record by the company's NECA-affiliated representative.

NECA's members are primarily signatory contractors who hire union (IBEW) electricians. Non-union firms may be approved for membership, depending on the policy of their local chapter.

#### **3. Does NECA have affiliate members?**

National NECA does not have affiliate members who are not electrical contractors. Some NECA chapters offer affiliate membership on the local level. Check with the NECA chapter in your area to learn more.

#### **4. What are the primary benefits of NECA membership?**

When electrical contractors join NECA, they gain the power to transform their companies:

- Lead, not follow, in labor negotiations;
- Get real business intelligence;
- Access on-demand management education; and
- Connect directly with industry peers.

NECA is completely focused on the success of our member electrical contractors, through dedicated labor relations representatives, industry lobbyists on Capitol Hill, safety programs, and immediate access to research, education and reports.

#### **5. Can non-signatory electrical contractors join NECA?**

NECA's members are primarily signatory contractors who hire union (IBEW) electricians. Non-union firms may be approved for membership, depending on the policy of their local chapter. Many chapters do not accept non-signatory member applications.

Nationally, NECA does not offer any specific services for non-union employing contractors, who comprise a small percentage of our membership.

#### **6. How much does it cost to join NECA?**

The cost of membership in NECA is based upon a percentage of the member company's gross electrical payroll. Dues caps and discounts can apply. The percentage cost for membership is determined at the local level and generally ranges between 1-2 percent of the company's gross electrical worker payroll.

**7. What chapter would my company belong to?**

The best source for answers about your NECA membership is your local chapter. Find contact information for a NECA chapter online, searchable by region, state, or city. All NECA line (outside) contractors belong to chapters included in District 10, which covers the entire U.S.

**8. Who at my company can access NECA resources?**

The NECA affiliated representative at a member electrical contractor is the primary contact listed with the company's membership record. The affiliated representative can add as many company employees to the membership record as desired with different levels of access to NECA member resources.