



Membership Guide

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National members of the Bus Industry Confederation make up a unique group of entities and individuals receiving widespread corporate recognition for their commitment and support for a strong and vibrant bus and coach industry.

National Members of the Bus Industry Confederation make up our *moving people* taskforce taking the *moving people* agenda to federal, state, territory and local governments, ministers and bureaucrats, to campaign for 'bus business' and ensure continual growth across the whole supply and operational chain.

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About Us

The Bus Industry Confederation (BIC) is the national peak body, representing bus and coach operators, manufacturers and suppliers to governments and the wider community.

The BIC was established as an incorporated Association in 1994 with the secretariat being formed in April 2002 in Canberra. Over this time, the BIC has proven success in representing the bus and coach industry, the *moving people* task and the promotion of safe, efficient and effective bus and coach transport in Australia.

The BIC is the national member of the Bus Australia Network which also includes State members: BusNSW, BusSA, BusWA, TasBus and QBIC.

Our Moving People Vision

Our vision is to enhance the sustainability and liveability of Australia's cities and regions by *moving people* using bus and coach transportation. We aim to do this by representing the collective interests of our members and to assist them in promoting the safety, efficiency and effectiveness of bus and coach transport in Australia.

Our Moving People Objectives

- Encourage investment in public transport infrastructure and services.
- Promote policies and actions that are environmentally responsible.
- Promote the development of a viable and improved bus and coach industry in Australia.
- Foster and promote a viable Australian bus manufacturing industry.
- Support the business interests of operators, manufacturers and suppliers for the holistic benefit to Industry.
- Promote public understanding of the contribution made by the bus and coach industry to Australia's economy, society and environment.
- Ensure the accessibility and mobility needs of Australians are met, regardless of where they live or their circumstances.
- Promote the use of public transport as a viable alternative to the car.
- Coordinate and make more effective existing federal, state and local government policies and programs that relate to passenger transport.
- Ensure that buses and coaches operate safely and effectively.

What we do

Advocacy and Action

Two critical outcomes that the BIC seeks for Industry is:

- government investment in passenger transport,
- support the interests of operator, manufacturer and supplier businesses.

Government investment in increasing passenger transport means more buses and coaches on the road, more bus services and more patronage. Government investment in *moving people* will improve the profitability and viability of all businesses in the supply and operational chain of the bus and coach industry.

The BIC actively works with all levels of governments - federal, state, territory and local - at both a political and regulatory level, to support the interests of businesses in the bus and coach industry.

Preparing for the Future

The BIC undertakes research and development initiatives to assist in the growth and prosperity of its members' businesses and the bus and coach industry as a whole.

Our research and policy program covers many areas including: cities and congestion, taxes, energy security, safety, health, social inclusion, bus rapid transit, vehicles, fuel, zero-emissions and future technology.

Your membership with the BIC helps us to engage with leading think tanks, academics and institutions around the world to help prepare the bus and coach industry for a sustainable and viable future.

Regulations and Reform

The BIC works closely with federal and state governments to identify efficiencies in transport regulation that may benefit the bus and coach industry and the communities in cities and regions around Australia. BIC Members have the opportunity to be active on a number of working committees including:

- Policy and Regulation
- Industrial Working Group (administered through APTIA the industrial relations arm of the BIC)
- Technical, Environment and Safety
- Zero Emissions Technology
- Long Distance, Tour and Charter

Our Programs and Initiatives

The BIC represents Industry at a federal level in a number of programs and initiatives including:

- National Accessible Transport Taskforce (Federal Dept of Infrastructure & Transport)
- Strategic Vehicle Standards and Environment Group (Federal Dept of Infrastructure & Transport)
- Technical Liaison Group (Federal Dept of Infrastructure & Transport)
- Reform Advisory Committee (National Transport Commission)
- Transport and Logistics Industry Skills and Training (Australian Industry Standards)
- National Accreditation Working Group (National Heavy Vehicle Regulator)
- Industry Reference Group (National Heavy Vehicle Regulator)
- Southern Regional Working Group (National Heavy Vehicle Regulator)
- Fatigue Risk Management Systems Group (National Heavy Vehicle Regulator)
- Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI) Tourism Taskforce

The BIC participates in these programs and initiatives to:

- to maximise benefits and minimise negative impacts to businesses in the bus and coach industry from transport reforms or legislative reviews
- ensure that the bus and coach industry is treated as a separate entity within National Heavy Vehicle Law
- promote the use of buses and coaches
- encourage funding and investment
- promote the contribution made by the bus and coach industry to Australia's economy, society and the environment.

Recognition

Operators, Manufacturers and Suppliers in our industry form a tight-knit community and enjoy a high level of participation. Organisations who join the BIC also join a unique group of entities and individuals receiving widespread corporate recognition across industry.

The BIC is dedicated to promoting our members at every opportunity. As a BIC member your company is promoted on the BIC website, bic.asn.au and in other print materials that may be produced throughout the year. BIC members also have the opportunity to:

- advertise in applicable BIC publications
- submit free editorial in *Transmission*

Business Benefits

Industry Guidelines and Advisories

The BIC produce and publish a wide range of Industry Guidelines and Advisories intended for business owners and management. These publications are valuable how-to-guides on implementing and maintaining appropriate workplace practices and systems in relation to heavy vehicle law, regulation, applicable Standards and industry best practice.

Guidelines can be viewed and downloaded at www.bic.asn.au

Events

The BIC National Conference is the key industry event for bus operators, industry regulators, manufacturers and suppliers in the bus and coach industry.

The Conference offers the opportunity for members to connect with key decision makers, network with peers and be brought up to date on current industry issues and trends.

The BIC National Conference is well acknowledged as the "blue chip" industry event of the year and as such sponsorship opportunities are highly valued and are open to BIC members only. Sponsorship provides a great opportunity for members to elevate industry recognition of their company, products and services.

The BIC also runs other events such as:

- National Summit
- Industry webinars on topical issues
- Industry leaders functions
- National Industrial Relations Seminar

A special membership discount applies for BIC members to attend the annual BIC National Conference and other National Summits, Seminars, Special Events and National Bus Shows when convened.

BIC Membership Application Form

Membership with the BIC runs from July 1 to June 30 and is also available pro-rata.

Membership Group	2024/25 Price (Incl. GST) per annum	Definitions
Bus and Coach Operators group		Chassis Supply A buggy type chassis (that includes all chassis related components).
Operators Group	\$19,420.50	
Bus or Coach Manufacturers/Suppliers		Body Supply The structure and supporting components that are built onto a buggy type chassis.
Chassis Supply Only	\$ 1,488.91 minimum per annum charge \$ 200.70 cost per unit sold over 10 tonnes \$ 148.89 cost per unit sold under 10 tonnes	
Body Supply Only	\$ 1,488.91 minimum per annum charge \$ 200.70 cost per unit sold over 10 tonnes \$ 148.89 cost per unit sold under 10 tonnes	Completed Bus (buggy type) Supply Where one (1) supplier provides a bus made up by a Body built on a buggy type Chassis.
Complete Bus	\$ 2,977.81 minimum per annum charge \$ 401.39 cost per unit sold over 10 tonnes \$ 297.77 cost per unit sold under 10 tonnes	
Complete Small Bus	\$ 1,488.91 minimum per annum charge \$ 105.93 cost per small bus unit sold (25 seats or less)	Completed Bus (monocoque type) Supply Where one (1) supplier provides a bus made up of a body that incorporates all mechanical components within the body structure (that is no buggy chassis was used).
Other Suppliers and Providers		
Seat Supply	\$ 1,294.70 minimum per annum charge \$ 174.79 cost per set of seats sold \$ 5,885.00 total capped fee	Completed Small Bus Either of the described Completed Buses above where the bus seating capacity is 25 passengers or less
Air Conditioner Supply	\$ 1,294.70 minimum per annum charge \$ 174.79 cost per set of seats sold \$ 5,885.00 total capped fee	
Associated Services Providers	\$ 1,294.70 cost per annum charge	Minimum Membership Applies to those organisations subscribing as a member of the body, chassis, completed bus, seats and aircon groups where 7 or less units are delivered to the Australian market.

Fax membership application by email to: services@bic.asn.au

Membership Category	<input type="checkbox"/> Bus Ops <input type="checkbox"/> Body only <input type="checkbox"/> Chassis only <input type="checkbox"/> Body and chassis (completed bus) <input type="checkbox"/> Seats <input type="checkbox"/> Air <input type="checkbox"/> Associated Service Providers
Name	
Position Company	
Postal Address	
Telephone	
Fax	
Mobile	
Email	
Website	
Additional Contact Name	
Additional Contact Email	
Short Description of Company Business	
Accounts Contact Name	
Accounts Contact Email	
Please send BIC a high resolution version of your company logo to services@bic.asn.au	
<input type="checkbox"/> Please (✓) to authorise the BIC to publish your company name, company logo, company business description and website address on the BIC website.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Please (✓) to acknowledge that the BIC will not distribute personnel contact details to any public record, websites, print or digital materials but may on occasion use the contact information on this form in performing various secretariat duties.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Please (✓) as acknowledgement that while a member of the BIC, the Applicant (applying organisation) and its representatives, will abide by the rules, regulations and by-laws of the BIC. The BIC Constitution is available to download at bic.asn.au .	
Signature	Date / /

YOUR PAYMENT

(Once payment is received, the organisation Applicant will be added formally to the BIC Membership Register). Payment can be remitted using 1 of the following options:

- Account/Direct EFT - a Tax Invoice will be issued for your payment using Direct EFT
- Credit Card - a Tax Invoice/Receipt will be issued

PAYMENT	
Membership amount: \$	<input type="text"/> <input type="radio"/> Amex <input type="radio"/> Visa <input type="radio"/> Mastercard <input type="radio"/> Account/Direct EFT
Cardholder Name: <input type="text"/>	Signature: <input type="text"/>
Card Number: <input type="text"/>	Expiry <input type="text"/>

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