

Who We Are

The Construction Association of Nova Scotia (CANS) is the leading voice of the construction industry – respected by members, government, the industry and the public. CANS represents more than 800 small and large companies throughout Atlantic Canada. Our members build, renovate and restore non-residential buildings, roads, bridges and other engineering projects.

Membership Levels

Full Membership: provides complete access to our Tender Library, which includes the specifications, drawings, and addendum.

Associate Membership: provides limited access to our Tender Library (does not include the specifications, drawings, and addendum).

Build Your Network

CANS welcomes more than 5,000 attendees between our six major events, Member Mixers series and Emerging Leaders activities each year.

- Promote your open positions to local talent at **CANS Construction Job Fair**;
- Network with 2,000+ attendees at industry's largest event in Nova Scotia, **CANS De-Icer**;
- Kickstart the busy season with members in Cape Breton at **CANS Spring Fling**;
- Compete with 650+ golfers across multiple courses at annual **Golf Tournament**;
- Come together with industry decision makers at **CANS Annual General Meeting**;
- Connect, support and inspire our evolving workforce at **CANS Women in Construction Forum**;
- Celebrate industry with a night of entertainment, awards and more at **CANS Awards Gala**;
- Meet Members throughout the province and learn about local projects at our **Member Mixers**;
- New to industry? **CANS Emerging Leaders Group** hosts a slate of networking events focused on individuals building a career in construction.

Connect with our Audience! From event sponsorship to digital advertising opportunities, we can help promote your initiatives and services to the construction industry.

CANS Member Benefits



Advocacy on Your Behalf – We lobby the government on key issues vital to the success of the construction industry, working hard to improve industry standards and best practices.

Easy Access to Tenders – Gain 24/7 access to CANSnet, the most comprehensive projects and tendering service in Atlantic Canada, with more than 6,200 projects posted annually.



Automated Project Reports – Subscribe to weekly CANS Construction Reports featuring the latest bulletins, bid results and industry trends delivered to your inbox every Friday.

On-Demand Printing Services – Access industrial-scale, on-demand, full-colour printing on a state-of-the-art machine — completed in four hours or less.



Exclusive Member Discounts – Members save 30% on all CANS Education programs and courses, event registrations, document orders, print orders and more!

Sign Statutory Declarations for Free – Several Commissioners of Oaths are available to sign Members' Statutory Declarations for free. Drop-into our Dartmouth office during regular business hours.



Train & Retain Your Employees – Access CANS' award-winning Education & Training program, which trains 1,300+ individuals from 200+ member companies each year. Speak to our team about private training customized to your needs!

Stretch Your Training Budget – Eligible Members can access a further 50% discount on all education courses through the Workplace Innovation and Productivity Skills Incentive (WIPSI) Program (some exclusions apply).

Gold Seal Certification – Earn Gold Seal Certification faster. Choose from 50+ public courses that will develop your team's skills and support their Gold Seal journey.

Youth Engagement – Shape your future workforce with the Building Futures for Youth program, which offers grade 10 and 11 students summer work and the chance to earn pre-apprenticeship credits.



Immigration Recruitment Services – Access to a free International Recruiter who can assist with finding skilled international workers, screening and matching candidates, and supporting employers throughout the immigration process.

