

FSRH membership terms and conditions

These terms and conditions form the basis of the contract through which the Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare (FSRH) will deliver a service to you as an FSRH member.

On becoming a member of the FSRH you are automatically agreeing to these terms and conditions, and you are providing us with the appropriate consent to handle your personal information in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

Joining the FSRH

1. Membership is offered through these routes:

Diplomate (DFSRH)	By being awarded the Diploma
Associate	By being awarded a Letter of Competence
Member (MFSRH)	By passing the Membership Exam
Fellow (FFSRH)	By passing the Membership Exam, staying in continuous membership, by keeping up-to-date with CPD and after 12 years applying for Fellowship
Affiliate	Is offered to anyone with an interest in SRH
Retired	Is available to any membership category who wishes to stay informed about SRH.
Honorary Fellowship	Is awarded through an annual nomination process.

2. If you complete a qualification and join the FSRH (having never been a member previously) from 1 January to 30 June you will be required to pay the full membership fee for that year.
3. If you complete a qualification and join the FSRH (having never been a member previously) from 1 July – 30 November you will be required to pay 50% of that year's annual membership fee.

Please note, membership applications following the completion of a qualification received in December will be given a January start date, so you will receive the full following year of benefits and thus you will be required to pay the full membership fee for the following year. You can [view the current fees here](#).

4. If you join as an Affiliate between 1 January to 30 June you will be required to pay the full membership fee for that year. If you join from 1 July – 30 November you will be required to pay 50% of that year's annual membership fee.

Membership fees

5. The FSRH membership year runs from 1 January to December 31.
6. The FSRH is committed to offering the best value for money and are competitive in the field. Membership fee rates are reviewed on an annual basis by the Board of Trustees, and approved in the autumn. You can [view the current fees here](#).

Membership renewals

7. We will contact you by email in November each year with your renewal information for the following year. We will also send reminders.

8. Please ensure that your email address is up to date and that you check your spam and junk files in case our emails get blocked. It is your responsibility to ensure we hold a valid and current email address for you. Your contact details can be updated quickly in the MyFSRH members' area of the FSRH website.
9. Direct Debit is the easiest way to pay for your membership fees, If you would like to set up a Direct Debit please [contact us](#) to request a form, completed forms need to be received in the post by the FSRH office by early January each year. You can also pay online or by bank transfer.
10. FSRH is a registered charity and is able to provide its services only through the payment of membership subscriptions. A number of professional bodies do not offer refunds, however, we do allow refunds for the current year if requested before 31 March of the membership year. Refunds can only be returned to the original payee.
11. If your membership payment is not received by 31 March, we will assume that you no longer wish to maintain your membership, therefore, your membership record will be archived. This means that you will no longer receive your membership benefits, and you will not be reminded of any recertification dates, if you hold a FSRH qualification.

Reduced membership subscription fees

12. We offer a 50% reduction on annual membership fees in certain circumstances:
 - Maternity/paternity/adoption leave
 - Long term sickness
 - Those that earn under £23,000 pa (from all income sources)
13. As circumstances change, we will ask you to complete the [online form \(2021\)](#) requesting the reduced fee each year for every year you meet the criteria.
14. We appreciate that your situation might have changed throughout previous membership year after you'd paid your full fee. We cannot offer refunds for the previous membership year, but we can apply the discount/or offer a 50% refund if you have already paid for the current year. This is limited to the previous membership year. If your situation meets the criteria the following year, you will need to complete the form for that year and any future years.

Changing membership categories

15. You can change member categories, there is a £15 one off fee for moving from one category to another.

Leaving the FSRH

16. If you wish to cancel your membership, please do so in writing via our [contact us](#) page. We only offer refunds before 31 March of the current membership year, see 10.

Membership suspension

17. FSRH's Council as the authority to suspend members if they are not in good standing, see pages 9 – 11 of our [Articles](#).

Re-joining the FSRH

18. If your membership has lapsed and you would like to re-join FSRH past the 31 March cut-off date for the current membership year, you can log in and pay your fees until 31 December.
19. If your membership is lapsed you will be required to pay back your 'missing' years including this year (up to a capped amount of 5 years) to ensure you have continuous membership which is required for recertifying your primary qualification. FSRH Council believes that membership of the FSRH – and therefore access to the latest clinical guidance, standards, Journal, CPD questions and regular updates – is an important part of the recertification process. FSRH is a registered charity and is able to provide its services through the payment of membership subscriptions.

Use of post nominals

20. You can use your post nominals (FFSRH, MFSRH, DFSRH) whilst you are a member of the FSRH in the category that matches your qualification.

Recertification of FSRH qualifications

21. In order to recertify your primary qualifications, your membership subscriptions must be up to date. If you have let your membership lapse, then you will be required to pay back up to 5 years' membership subscriptions at the current rate (see 19).
22. Primary qualifications (Diploma, Membership Exam/Fellowship) cannot be recertified as a non-member.
23. If you hold any of our Letters of Competence, you can choose to recertify these qualifications as a non-member. Please note, that you will not receive access to any membership benefits or recertification reminders, and you will be required to pay a recertification fee for each qualification every 5 years when you come to [recertify your qualification](#).

Questions?

If you have any questions relating to this policy, please view our [membership](#) and [membership renewal](#) FAQ or [contact us](#).