

Advancing and promoting excellence in the care and welfare of animals in science

Concerning Membership of the Institute

The Ethical Statement

"In the conduct of their professional duties animal technologists have a moral and legal obligation, at all times, to promote and safeguard the welfare of animals in their care, recognising that good laboratory animal welfare is an essential component of good laboratory animal technology and science. The institute recognises and supports the application of the principles of the 3Rs (Replacement, Reduction, Refinement) in all areas of animal research"

Privileges of membership

All members receive the Institute's monthly 'Bulletin' and three times yearly 'Animal Technology and Welfare', the Journal of the Institute and are entitled to a reduced rate at meetings, such as the IAT Congress.

The membership Year/Fees

The Institute's membership year is 1st January to 31st December. New membership applications processed after 1st October are automatically entered as members for the following year.

Registered Animal Technicians

Members and Fellows with normally a minimum of five years' relevant experience, two of which must be post qualification (MIAT), may apply to become Registered Animal Technicians.

Affiliate members

Are normally biological, biomedical or veterinary graduates or persons whose interest and/or profession is closely allied to the Institute, who are elected by Council upon recommendation of the Membership Committee. This is the entry membership level for all new applicants.

Associate members

Affiliate members of the Institute can become Associate members on passing their IAT Level 2 qualification in addition to completing the Practical Animal Handling and Health module.

Members of the Institute of Animal Technology (MIAT)

On passing the IAT Level 3 qualification and the Practical Animal Handling and Heath module, members can apply to become Members of the Institute of Animal Technology and can use the designatory letters MIAT after their name.

Fellows of the Institute of Animal Technology (FIAT)

MIAT members who pass their IAT Level 6 qualification can apply to Council to become a Fellow of the Institute, and use the designatory letters FIAT after their name.

Overseas Membership

Overseas membership is available to applicants outside the United Kingdom, for whom no other grade of membership is appropriate. They will receive all privileges of normal membership of the

Institute, with the exception of voting rights, which include on line access to the monthly Bulletin and three times yearly journal 'Animal Technology and Welfare'.

Application for membership

The applicant will agree to abide by the IAT Ethical Statement and the Articles of Association and the Bylaws. Applications are made via mySociety, which is accessed via a link on the IAT website (www.iat.org.uk/membership)

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