

Since its founding in 1928, full membership in **Municipal Electric Utilities of Wisconsin** has been offered exclusively to municipalities in the State of Wisconsin that own and operate electric utilities.

Beginning in 2022, the MEUW Board of Directors amended the association's Bylaws to offer an **Affiliate Membership to any municipality and not-for-profit electric utility that does not qualify for full membership, but is interested in participating in MEUW's programs and services.**

Affiliate Membership is different from an Associate Membership, which is open to vendors, consultants, manufacturers, and distributors of utility equipment and supplies, or any other organization, or individual (excluding a privately-owned utility or a privately-owned utility organization).

Who is eligible for an Affiliate Membership?

Joint action agencies, electric cooperatives, out-of-state public power utilities, and any municipality that does not operate its own electric utility

Why become an Affiliate Member?

- To take full advantage of members-only pricing for training programs (including topical workshops, seminars, and conferences).
- To receive access to the full complement of benefits available to all MEUW members.
- To align your organization with the interests of public power utilities operating in Wisconsin.

What does it cost?

The membership dues are **\$450 per calendar year**. (Annual dues for joint action agencies are established based on the agency's number of employees.)

The fee is not prorated, regardless of the date a new Affiliate Member joins. The benefits of an annual membership terminate on Dec. 31 each year.

What are the benefits available?

- Practical and relevant professional education and **training opportunities** through conferences, workshops, seminars, webinars, and roundtables
- Regular **member communications** with up-to-date information about issues affecting municipal electric utilities and developments, innovations and trends in the utility industry
 - **MEUW Weekly** is an e-newsletter distributed on Tuesdays, highlighting what's happening with MEUW and the latest news affecting municipal utilities in the state
 - **Live Lines** is published monthly and offers more in-depth articles, feature stories and member profiles plus safety information and reminders
- Eligibility to be recognized for operational achievements and **awards** for safety, leadership, and service to public power
- A **network of sharing** leading safety and operating practices and lessons learned to strengthen knowledge and awareness of hazards in the daily operation of electric utilities
- **Connections with utility suppliers** to foster timely and efficient procurement of equipment, supplies, and services by connecting utility personnel to vendors with experience helping municipal utilities
- Careful monitoring and regular updates on any state or federal **legislative proposals or regulatory rule changes** that may impact municipal utilities, including specific advice and guidance to address emerging issues
- Organizational listing in MEUW's Membership Directory

How can our organization join?

Please contact the MEUW Office at (608) 837-2263 to inquire about an Affiliate Membership.

You'll be asked to provide some basic information and a primary contact. After MEUW receives the dues payment, your organization will be offered access to the Member Portal to register for MEUW programs.