



Benefits of Membership

There are a number of advantages in becoming a PCA member – some of the main benefits are listed below;

A Respected Standard

The PCA Logo

A 'badge of excellence' enabling consumers to recognise your professionalism and credibility. We fiercely protect the PCA identity and rigorous action is taken against anyone misusing or fraudulently using the logo. (Please note - provisional members are **not** entitled to use the logo)

Surveyor's Competence Certificate

CSRT and CSSW qualified surveyors can issue 'Surveyor Competence Certificates' alongside survey reports to demonstrate their proficiency and further instil confidence in consumers.

TrustMark



The PCA is a member of this Government endorsed initiative, which gives consumers a route to find reliable and trustworthy tradespeople. All PCA contractor members are also listed within Trustmark's website.

Financial products

Guarantee Protection Insurance

This FSA approved and regulated insurance policy offers peace of mind for clients. PCA members get a significant 30% discount and can also earn dividends through providing GPI cover.



PCA Promise (deposit protection)

A warranty which covers customers for works in progress and deposits. At no additional cost, the client can be certain their deposit is secure, should a contractor member of the Association go out of business while work is being carried out.

Bondpay

All PCA members are registered with Bondpay - a payment protection scheme designed to financially protect contractors by ensuring prompt payment when works are complete.



Competitive insurance products

The PCA works closely with Kinnell Corporate Ltd – its insurance partners – to ensure bespoke insurance products are available for members at competitive prices.

Increased business

Business from Specifiers

Many specifiers, such as mortgage lenders, local authorities and building societies, stipulate that a PCA member must be used when undertaking remedial works as they are deemed the most professional and credible.

Online & telephone enquiries

The PCA gets 300,000 unique hits a year on its website and thousands of phone enquiries a year—most of which are consumers looking for a member of the PCA.

Editorial

Promotion of the PCA and its members is included in an array of relevant publications and an extensive amount of editorial coverage has been featured in both the regional and national press.

Help with publicity

Members can take advantage of a free service from the PCA's PR team which offers help with text for member's brochures and websites.

Yellow Pages and Thomson directories

PCA members can advertise at a substantially reduced rate in the Yellow Pages and Thomson directories by sharing a promotional box with other members in their region.



Miscellaneous

Free Health & Safety and Employment Law advice

PCA members gain access to basic Health, Safety and Employment Law advice through our partners Stallard Kane and can choose to 'upgrade' to more comprehensive levels of service if they wish.



Technical help

Members have access to a wealth of the most-up-to-date technical documents as well as advice from our expert technical panel.

Legal Helpline

PCA members have access to a free legal helpline, where they will be given preliminary advice for up to 30 minutes on legal issues relating to business, debt recovery and health & safety.

CHAS



The PCA is an approved CHAS assessor and can assess and register members as CHAS compliant.

CSCS Cards



PCA members can now obtain CSCS cards on production of their CSRT and CSSW qualification.

Keep in touch

Regular Newsletters, weekly emails, e-zines and social media updates keep you informed of relevant and current industry news, and annual regional meetings enable you to network with peers and share ideas and practices.

Training and certification

Members have access to industry specific training at a discounted rate. We also run a Continuous Professional Development (CPD) scheme enabling members to keep their skills and knowledge up to date.