

1 **ISCEV Membership Policy**

2 ***Revision history***

3 #02b, 2021-01-30, SecGen

4 ***Overview***

5 This Membership Policy provides additional detail to the By-Laws for clarification of
6 membership and dues processes. It was drafted by the Executive Board and Director of
7 International Communications, and approved by the Board on 10-Mar-2021.

8 ***Relevant extracts from by-laws***

9 V:1 Membership can be acquired in principle only by persons or organisations
10 qualified according to Article IV. Payment of the membership fee is a prerequisite to
11 becoming a member (except for honorary members and emeritus category 2 members).
12 If the membership fee for the current year is not paid, the member is considered as a
13 dormant member and will lose all membership privileges. Membership is reactivated by
14 payment of all outstanding fees.

15 VII:c Every member has the duty to pay the membership fees and possible additional
16 payments.

17 IX:1 A resignation from membership has to be announced in writing. The withdrawal is
18 possible at the end of the calendar year with an announcement at least 4 weeks prior to
19 that date.

20 X: 4 Reasons for exclusion are especially [...] non-payment of membership fees in spite
21 of repeated reminders after a period of 1 year.

22 ***Membership Privileges***

- 23 • The right to vote*‡
- 24 • The right to hold office*‡‡
- 25 • A subscription to *Documenta Ophthalmologica*‡
- 26 • The right to contribute to and/or comment on draft Standards, Guidelines and
27 Extended Protocols
- 28 • The right to propose new Extended Protocols
- 29 • Reduced registration fee for the annual ISCEV Symposium and/or course
- 30 • Receipt of ISCEV-related news (opt-out possible)
- 31 • Access to members-only section of the website

32 *not Junior members; †not Emeritus Category 1 members; ‡not Emeritus Category 2
33 members.

34 ***Dues payments***

35 Members will be requested in January-March each year to pay their dues for that year's
36 membership. A second request will be made only to non-payers in time for them to take

37 advantage of membership discounts for the annual ISCEV Symposium. A third call will
38 be made after the Symposium and at least 4 weeks before the year end only to non-
39 payers in time for them to participate in any votes.

40 The by-laws require that non-payment of membership fees after 1 year results in
41 exclusion (X:4), and that membership is only reactivated by payment of all outstanding
42 fees (V:1). The Board wishes to support our society's goals, to take account of realistic
43 career arcs, and to be as fair as possible, and therefore special circumstances will always
44 be considered.