AzPPO Joint Membership Benefits & Services

Congratulations, you are now part of an active trade association dedicated to improving the quality of your industry and livelihood. AzPPO encourages their members to learn from each other through social and business involvement. AzPPO serves as a clearinghouse for solving problems of mutual interest.

AzPPO MISSION

To serve as the voice for the Arizona pest control industry, protecting the livelihoods of pest management professionals while fostering education, promoting professionalism, raising ethical standards, enhancing environmental stewardship, improving public health and the quality of life. We are open to all size companies that want to adhere to the highest standards of professionalism and effectiveness.

AzPPO GOALS

• Offer industry members a forum to meet and discuss issues that affect our bottom line.
• Provide education to improve profitability.
• Educate the public on industry standards and safety.
• Provide services to help with hiring and managing the right employees.

CODE OF ETHICS

AzPPO members agree to:

• Uphold standards of the organization and fully comply with its ethics.
• Maintain high standards of moral responsibility, character and business integrity.
• Practice fairness, frankness and honesty in all advertising and in all relations for the good of the community and the pest management industry.
• Encourage, establish and maintain high standards of competence, knowledge and performance.
• Provide service safely, effectively and efficiently in accordance with best industry practices.
• Provide service within the requirements of federal and state laws and rules.
• Cooperate with other recognized associations and scientific and education institutions in the interchange of knowledge and ideas for mutual benefit.
• Respect the reputation and practices of other pest management professionals, and to help eliminate, without hesitation, conduct by others that violates laws and rules.
• Make the public aware of the important role the pest management industry plays in protecting health, property and the environment.
• Hold our industry in high esteem as guardians of the environment, and to strive to enhance its image.
• Promote a closer and friendlier relationship among those engaged in the industry.
• Be loyal to the principles of the Organization and active in advancing those principles.
MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Your membership includes a long list of benefits and services that not only keep you current on industry issues, regulations and trends, but can also save you money! These programs include:

Regulatory Advocacy
AzPPO works very closely with the Office of Pest Management (OPM) to stay informed about activities and provide AzPPO members with up-to-date information. Currently, three AzPPO members meet monthly with the seven-member OPM Pest Management Advisory Committee (PMAC), to analyze, discuss and provide recommendations to the OPM about issues important to pest management professionals. You are encouraged to attend the OPM PMAC meeting to stay informed and get involved.

Legislative Advocacy
Our partnership with the National Pest Management Association (NPMA) includes their commitment to review and monitor every bill introduced into legislation for its potential impact on Arizona’s pest management professionals. Any bills requiring action are quickly brought to the attention of the AZPPO Board of Directors and/or the AzPPO Legislative Committee for dissemination to obtain input from AzPPO membership and determine a position on each respective issue and lobby accordingly. Additionally, AZPPO works with State legislators on bills that impact pest management professionals throughout the state.

Money Saving Discount Programs
Benefits change often please check website for updates.

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**ALLIED MEMBERS**

*These members volunteer valuable resources and energy to benefit our members and the Arizona industry. Please support them. Find the current list in our monthly newsletter. You can find a copy of the current “Closer Look” e-newsletter here: https://www.azppo.org/Newsletter/

**AzPPO EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

**January:** Southwest Regional Conference - educational regional conference where you earn CEUs as well as hear about the latest management techniques to help your business. In partnership with AzPPO, NPMA organizes this event for members.

**February-March:** Legislative Day - attracts hundreds of PMPs to Washington D.C.’s Capitol Hill to speak with legislators on issues that affect the pest management industry. This is a once-a-year opportunity to speak directly with lawmakers and regulators about current or pending legislation impacting our industry.

**March:** Great Western Conference & Trade Show- Largest State Industry CEU event and exhibits of products and services for the Arizona Pest Management Professional and Business.

**May:** Annual Bugs N Balls Golf Tournament – Fundraiser for Industry Defense

**July/August:** AzPPO Summer Annual/Membership Meeting – All Joint and Allied Members come together for induction of new officers, review of the year, and camaraderie.

**August-September:** Association of Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials (ASPCRO) – This is a 50+ year-old organization that provides education (CEUs) and information about current structural and urban pesticide management issues and solutions affecting pesticide regulators. The annual conference is a way to receive education and information, and an opportunity to network and interact with other professionals and state and federal regulators.

**October:** NPMA PestWorld Convention & Exhibition - Largest and most prestigious national/international event with over 75 hours of technical and management training courses and 150 exhibiting companies.

Termite Academy

**December:** Southwest Rodent Academy

Ongoing –

- Arizona Office of Pest Management Pest Management Advisory Committee Meetings
- AzPPO Board of Director Meetings
- AZPPO Masterminds
- Certification Training
- Specialty Meetings – the NPMA offers special meetings to address challenges head on.
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