

## Membership form

Complete this form and send it with your payment to your local Branch (if you are already a member), or if you are joining SCOA, to the Branch of your choice, or SCOA Australia.

Please tick one.  New member  Renewing

Member number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick one.

- Single \$35  
 Joint \$48  
 Surviving spouse/partner \$25

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Given name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Year born \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone / Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of spouse/partner \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you hear about SCOA? \_\_\_\_\_

Payment method (*Credit card payments available in ACT, VIC and SCOA Australia only*).

- Cheque  Money Order  
 MasterCard  VISA

Credit card number .....

Expiry ..... / ..... Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

### PRIVACY STATEMENT

SCOA may from time to time share your membership details with other SCOA Branches and SCOA's Federal Office in accordance with Australian privacy legislation.

## 2014 Membership fees

Single	\$35
Joint	\$48
Surviving spouse/partner	\$25

Membership fees are tax deductible in accordance with *Tax Office Class Ruling 2003/76*. (You can download this Ruling from our website at [www.scoa.asn.au](http://www.scoa.asn.au)).

Please send your completed membership form with payment details to the SCOA Branch of your choice or SCOA Australia, the new national organisation. *Check with your Branch for payment options.*

## How to contact SCOA Branches or SCOA Australia

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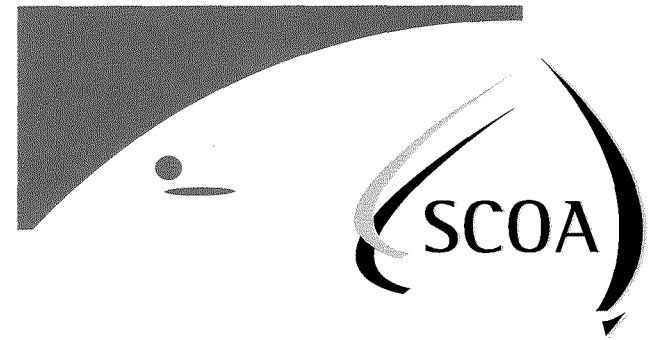
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**Northern Territory**  
SCOA does not have an NT branch. NT residents may join their branch of choice or SCOA Australia.

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**You don't have to be retired to join SCOA.  
Join SCOA today.**



## Superannuated Commonwealth Officers' Association

*SCOA is an apolitical, not-for-profit national retiree organisation, established in 1923.*

*SCOA pursues fair retirement conditions for its members and assists them to access information about superannuation, age pension and many other seniors' benefits.*

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# Superannuated Commonwealth Officers' Association Inc.

## Who is SCOA and why should you join ?

Are you working in the public service? Are you thinking of retiring, or are you already retired?

If your answer to any of the above is yes, why not take a closer look at SCOA. We may be able to help you.

SCOA was established in 1923 and is one of Australia's oldest not-for-profit retiree organisations.

SCOA advocates on behalf of retired public servants in a wide range of policy areas including superannuation, taxation, health, aged care and many other matters that may affect their lifestyle in retirement.

## SCOA's current priorities include

- Indexation that maintains the purchasing power of Commonwealth superannuation pensions
- Changes to taxation to remove discrimination against Commonwealth superannuants
- Further simplification of the taxation system
- Inclusion of people over 65 in the National Disability Insurance Scheme
- Assisting Comcare and ComSuper clients
- Raising the income limits for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card

- Participation in government reviews on retirement income, compensation, taxation, concessions, health and ageing
- Fairer Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) safety net limits for singles
- Hearing aids for Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders

## Benefits to members

- Advocacy, information and support
- Increased understanding of superannuation and retirement issues
- Free copy of SCOA's booklet about planning for and coping with bereavement
- Access to shopping discounts
- Website full of useful information
- SuperTime quarterly national newsletter informing members on key retirement issues
- Local branch newsletters
- Interesting guest speakers at branch meetings
- Volunteering and friendship opportunities
- Assisting Comcare and ComSuper clients

## Some of SCOA's achievements

- Twice yearly (rather than annual) indexation of Commonwealth superannuation pensions
- Successful Comcare client assistance program
- Low income supplement to provide compensation for the carbon tax

## Achievements shared with other organisations

- Increased age pension payments for single persons
- Introduction and enhancement of the Seniors Card
- Reform of legislation to give access to superannuation benefits to partners in same sex relationships
- National public transport concessions for Seniors Card holders
- Changes in taxation administration
- Indexation of income thresholds for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card

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*Join SCOA today .... Help achieve fair and better retirement conditions ... you don't have to be retired to join*