

Join Us

About the BPA

The British Ports Association (BPA) is the membership Association which represents the interests of the ports industry to all organisations and individuals who influence the sector.

The BPA is an inclusive membership organisation, representing ports of all sizes and ownership types including local authority, privatised and trust ports.

We currently have over 100 full members managing a total in excess of 350 ports, harbours, terminals and piers located throughout the UK, stretching from Shetland to the Channel Islands.

The BPA prides itself on its strong and productive links with the Department for Transport and the devolved assemblies. We are a first point of contact for consultation on legislation and policy, acting as the voice of our members.

The ports sector is changing rapidly with new legislative requirements and ever changing markets. These create new demands on the industry, particularly as we enter into discussions on achieving Brexit.

We help our members shape, understand and meet all regulatory requirements and become part of a valuable network.





The British Ports Association

- Represents a wide variety of UK port interests to government in the UK, Europe and internationally.
- Provides a resource on legislative and policy issues, as well as a forum for the exchange of knowledge and development of best practice.
- Promotes the use of ports and shipping as an environmentally sustain-able mode of transport.

For more details and to join visit www.britishports.org.uk/join

Membership Benefits

Full and Associate members receive:

- A comprehensive monthly review of the main issues facing the industry, alerting members to major changes in policy and legislation.
- Invitations to our various events, receptions and workshops held throughout the year.
- Listing in the printed and online directories and access to all of its functions.
- Access to the member's area and site services on the BPA's website.







Who are our members?

The UK ports industry comprises a network of ports which, because of their markets and locations, can often act in isolation.

This makes it more difficult to find opportunities to network with other ports and exchange information and experience. The BPA provides this network, linking ports whatever their ownership, size and markets. Becoming a BPA member automatically strengthens the national ports lobby as they are financially and strategically self-supporting, port interests can be overlooked when government makes big decisions on infrastructure spending, infrastructure which is vital to port network connections.

A strong lobby gives us more say in these important decisions. The BPA ensures that the ports' voice is heard across a range of policies, from port specific initiatives such as the Port Marine Safety Code, to broader environmental and planning issues, for example the designation of marine sites for environmental protection.

There is also a need for all members to be kept briefed on new techniques, equipment and practices that can help their businesses, and this is where the input of our associate members can make a real contribution.





















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Full Port Authority Membership

Subscription fees are calculated on financial turnover and further details can be found on our website.

Associate Membership

Allows organisations that are not port authorities to join and be involved in the BPA network. These include engineering companies, environmental consultancies, insurance specialists, accountants, finance companies and law firms. Annual Associate Membership is £1,052 + VAT.

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