



## MCRMA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

### Introduction

The Metal Cladding and Roofing Manufacturers Association (MCRMA) represents, promotes and defends the interests of system manufacturers, component suppliers, system installers, independent roofing and cladding inspectors and industry support services suppliers who provide products, systems and services within the non-domestic metal roof and wall market sector.

MCRMA membership is open only to those companies who operate and comply with the requirements of the MCRMA Membership Charter; a Charter which reflects and underpins the philosophy and principles of the leading manufacturers, component suppliers and industry consultants whose products and systems are associated with the construction of the building envelope.

As the voice of the industry, MCRMA works closely with a variety of industry bodies and standards committees to develop building envelope solutions and to disseminate best practice across a variety of industry sectors.

MCRMA members are regarded as the premier suppliers of goods and services to the industrial, commercial, warehouse building envelope sectors, the rural and agricultural sector and the rainscreen sector and are known for their ability to speak with authority, have a full and unequalled knowledge of their business sector and without doubt offer reliability to their customers.

If you share this philosophy, then we would be delighted to hear from you!

### The key benefits of membership are

- Alignment with Membership Charter

All members of the MCRMA are required to align and comply with a robust and demanding membership charter that covers technical ethos, environmental ethics and health and safety regulations. The charter requires companies to be accredited to EN ISO 9001 or be in the process of attaining EN ISO 9001. Members are also required to maintain insurance appropriate to their business including Product Liability Insurance, Professional Indemnity Insurance cover, or similar cover.

- Alignment with Collective Trademark

The MCRMA logo and strap line 'The Building Envelope Authority' is a registered collective trademark, which differentiates members from non-members. The registered collective trademark, which is regulated by UK Government, Intellectual Property Office and can be used by member companies on business communication material.

- Access to training courses

MCRMA maintains that having appropriately trained and qualified staff ensures commitment to the industry and people we serve during the supply and installation process. To this end the MCRMA developed an initial three-day training programme covering theory and practice for new and developing staff members. System installer members also have access to providers of NVQ training. MCRMA supports the availability of level 2 NVQ diploma in roofing sheeting and cladding and level 2 NVQ in cladding occupations.

- A wide range of guidance documents and advice notes are freely available for the use of specifiers and practitioners on topics connected with the use of construction products within the metal-based building envelope sector.
- The Association holds scheduled technical conferences for member companies where pertinent and important industry topics are explored in depth with industry experts and professional organisations.
- Quarterly members' meetings to update members on key industry issues and an opportunity to discuss specific technical and industry matters.
- Meetings scheduled for specific industry topics such as consultations and regulatory changes
- Speakers from industry on topics relevant to aligned construction and the issues associated with it for example, statistics, materials and coating technology, sustainability, specifications, legislation, regulation and general industry matters.



- Membership of the Construction Products Association (CPA) which provides members with the opportunity to receive first-hand knowledge and offer input into MHCLG and the associated links with BuildUK and CIC.

The CPA also has direct links with NHBC, BRAC, BRE and NBS plus others who are involved with the construction industry and the development of projects covering BIM, smart technology etc.

The CPA also provides industry with the opportunity for input/output on matters such as quarterly industry led economic forecasts and the sustainability committee.



- Membership of the Advisory Committee for Roof Safety (ACR) which includes other key construction industry associations and the Health and Safety Executive (HSE). This forum is a body dedicated to making working on roofs safer.



- Membership of the Institute of Roofing (IoR). The IoR has increased the scope of the association as part of their renewed drive to fully represent the industry and to benefit from the involvement of trade associations at the highest level. An MCRMA director has been co-opted to the board of the IoR in a non-executive position.
- The IoR is a partnership of industry and stakeholders working together to develop qualifications and guidance for a structured, recognised and certified career path, that ultimately delivers professional status as an Associate or higher-level status of the Institute of Roofing.
- Whole industry statistics and trends issued to members on an annual basis.
- Individual technical committees focused on specific industry sectors for example, rainscreen, safety lines and sustainability.
- Direct input into British Standard and International drafting committees covering, amongst others:
  - BS 5427 Code of Practice for roof and wall covering
  - CEN TC 128 SC7
  - BS EN 14782 harmonised standard
  - BS EN 14509 harmonised standard
- MCRMA online approved CPD programme based on featured guidance documents.
- Members' CPD programmes featured on the web site with links to member companies.

### Services for members

- Interactive and regularly updated web site which features a profile page for each member with direct links to each member company's own web site.
- Guidance documents, advice notes and a library of archived publications downloadable from the web site.
- Regular feature articles published in industry journals which are available for download from the web site.
- Weekly eNEWS to update members on topical industry news.

- Technical advice line for specifiers, contractors and end users who may wish to gain more understanding on a subject or who are looking for guidance or direction to individual members who may offer specific advice.
- Marketing and advertising to specifiers and architects within the leading trade journals.

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