

Membership Subscription 2027 Terms and Conditions

1. Subscription Year

The membership subscription year aligns with the calendar year. Subscriptions for the 2027 membership are due on 1st January 2027. **Membership is valid from 1st January to 31st December each year.**

1.1 Renewal of Subscriptions within the First Four Months of 2027

Members may renew their subscriptions within a grace period following the due date, without loss of continuity or incurring a penalty. Membership benefits will continue during this period. Membership will lapse if the total subscription due has not been received by 30th April 2027, unless a monthly instalment scheme or alternative arrangement has been agreed with the Royal Society of Chemistry.

1.2 Reinstatement Due to Late Payment in 2027

Membership may be reinstated without loss of continuity for any member who pays the outstanding 2027 subscription and any other arrears in full during 2027.

1.3 Re-admission Beyond 2027

Members who are more than one year in arrears may be required to reapply for membership, submitting a new application form and nominating the required referees. Any member who has not paid arrears on the 2027 subscription in full by 31st December 2027 may be required to reapply for membership.

2. Annual Subscriptions

2.1 Rates

Membership

The full rates for 2027 are as follows:

Category	Annual Fee
Fellow (FRSC)	£212
Member (MRSC)	£177
Associate Member (AMRSC)	£108

Category	Annual Fee
Affiliate	£120
Partner Scientist	£120
Partner Teacher	£120
Student	£26

Chartered Designations

Annual retention fees for 2027:

Designation	Fee
Chartered Chemist (CChem)	£42
Chartered Scientist (CSci)	£80
Chartered Science Teacher (CSciTeach)	£80
Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv)	£81

Non-payment of the retention fee will result in removal of the appropriate designation. The Royal Society of Chemistry retains an administration fee (£24 for CSci/CSciTeach, £25 for CEnv); the remainder is transferred to the Science Council and/or the Society for the Environment. Members holding Chartered designations are required to revalidate annually and verify their Continuing Professional Development (CPD). Random audits may be conducted. Details are available at www.rsc.org/chartered.

Registers

Annual retention fees for 2027:

Register	Fee
Registered Scientist (RSci)	£51
Registered Science Technician (RSciTech)	£28
Register of Eligible Qualified Persons	£100

The Royal Society of Chemistry retains an administration fee (£17 for RSci, £4 for RSciTech); the remainder is transferred to the Science Council. Non-payment will result in removal from the register.

2.2 Multi-year Membership Subscriptions

Non-student members may pay for 1, 3, or 5 years of membership. 2027 prices for 3 and 5 years are as follows (5% discount for 3 years, 10% for 5 years):

Category	3 Years	5 Years
Fellow (FRSC)	£604	£954
Member (MRSC)	£504	£796.5
Associate Member (AMRSC)	£308	£486
Affiliate	£342	£540
Partner Scientist	£342	£540
Partner Teacher	£342	£540

Additional fees (charters, registers, journals, interest groups) are payable annually and are not included in multi-year fees.

Student members may purchase 1, 2, 3, or 4 years of membership:

Years	Fee
2	£49
3	£71
4	£95

2.3 Reduced Membership Subscriptions

Reductions on the full rates are available under the following circumstances:

- **Members transferring to Member (MRSC) category:**
 - Year 1: £108
 - Year 2: £124
 - Year 3: £142
 - Year 4: £159
 - Year 5: Full rate (£177)
- **Student members transferring to Associate Member (AMRSC):**
 - Year 1: £59
 - Year 2: £81
 - Year 3: £108
- **Members fully retired from employment (aged 50+):**

Category	Fee
Fellow (FRSC)	£106
Member (MRSC)	£88.50
Associate Member (AMRSC)	£54
Affiliate	£60
Partner Scientist	£60
Partner Teacher	£60

Members with income below £32,500: Eligibility must be confirmed annually.

Category	Fee
Fellow (FRSC)	£106
Member (MRSC)	£88.50
Associate Member (AMRSC)	£54
Affiliate	£60
Partner Scientist	£60
Partner Teacher	£60

Members not in employment (over 3 months):

Category	Fee
Fellow (FRSC)	£64
Member (MRSC)	£53
Associate Member (AMRSC)	£32
Affiliate	£36
Partner Scientist	£36
Partner Teacher	£36

This rate is not available to retired or student members and may be claimed for up to five years, with annual confirmation required.

Members on parental leave (over 3 months): Annual confirmation required.

Category	Fee
Fellow (FRSC)	£64
Member (MRSC)	£53
Associate Member (AMRSC)	£32
Affiliate	£36
Partner Scientist	£36
Partner Teacher	£36

Students in less developed countries: £13

Countries Eligible for Reduced Student Membership (£13)

Country	Country	Country	Country
Afghanistan	Dominica	Libya	Serbia
Albania	Dominican Republic	Macedonia (FYR)	Seychelles
Algeria	Ecuador	Madagascar	Sierra Leone
American Samoa	Egypt (Arab Rep.)	Malawi	Solomon Islands
Angola	El Salvador	Malaysia	South Africa
Argentina	Eritrea	Maldives	South Sudan
Armenia	Ethiopia	Mali	Sri Lanka
Azerbaijan	Fiji	Marshall Islands	St. Lucia
Bangladesh	Gabon	Mauritania	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Belarus	Gambia (the)	Mauritius	Sudan
Belize	Georgia	Mexico	Suriname
Benin	Ghana	Micronesia (Fed. Sts.)	Swaziland
Bhutan	Guatemala	Moldova	Tajikistan
Bolivia	Guinea	Mongolia	Tanzania
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Guinea-Bissau	Montenegro	Thailand
Botswana	Guyana	Morocco	Timor-Leste
Brazil	Haiti	Mozambique	Togo
Bulgaria	Honduras	Myanmar	Tonga
Burkina Faso	Hungary	Namibia	Tunisia
Burundi	India	Nepal	Turkey

Cabo Verde	Indonesia	Nicaragua	Turkmenistan
Cambodia	Iraq	Niger	Tuvalu
Cameroon	Jamaica	Nigeria	Uganda
Central African Republic	Jordan	Palau	Ukraine
Chad	Kazakhstan	Panama	Uzbekistan
China	Kenya	Papua New Guinea	Vanuatu
Colombia	Kiribati	Paraguay	Venezuela (RB)
Comoros	Korea (Dem. Rep.)	Peru	Vietnam
Congo (Dem. Rep.)	Kosovo	Philippines	West Bank and Gaza
Congo (Rep.)	Kyrgyz Republic	Romania	Yemen (Rep.)
Costa Rica	Lao PDR	Rwanda	Zambia
Côte d'Ivoire	Lebanon	Samoa	Zimbabwe
Cuba	Lesotho	São Tomé and Príncipe	
Djibouti	Liberia	Senegal	

2.4 Life Membership

A retired member aged 50 or over on 1st January 2027 with five years of continuous membership may purchase life membership. 2027 rates are as follows:

Age	Fee	Age	Fee
50	£1,796	63	£1,141
51	£1,738	64	£1,021
52	£1,707	65	£1,015
53	£1,664	66	£953
54	£1,617	67	£883
55	£1,565	68	£819
56	£1,519	69	£747
57	£1,473	70	£675
58	£1,421	71	£591
59	£1,342	72	£523
60	£1,258	73	£451

Age	Fee	Age	Fee
61	£1,219	74	£358
62	£1,199	75+	£268

These prices do not include the Chartered Chemist retention fee, which must be paid annually. Fully retired members aged 75 or over with 50 years of membership will receive free honorary life membership.

3. Methods of Payment

Subscriptions may be paid online by credit or debit card (via Stripe), by BACS or Wire Transfer (contact the membership team), or by Direct Debit (annual or monthly, UK bank account). The Royal Society of Chemistry accepts no responsibility for actions of payment processors.

4. Monthly Instalments

4.1 Eligibility

Monthly instalments are available to members with no arrears as of 1st January 2027 and who have a mandate to an approved electronic payment scheme.

4.2 Conditions

- Only available via approved electronic payment schemes (e.g., direct debit on a UK clearing bank account).
- Paid-up membership extends to the end of the month covered by the last payment received.
- Membership continues through a three-month grace period following the last paid month. Membership may be restored if payment of the outstanding balance is received or a new payment schedule is agreed.
- The facility may be withdrawn at the discretion of the Royal Society of Chemistry in cases of frequent or persistent payment failures.

4.3 Calculation of Instalments

Instalments are calculated by dividing the total sum owed by 12, with any odd amount taken in January and equal payments in subsequent months. No discount or premium is applied to instalments. Examples below:

Membership Subscription	Total Other*	Total Due	January Instalment	Other Instalments
£212	£0	£212	£17.74	£17.66

Membership Subscription	Total Other*	Total Due	January Instalment	Other Instalments
£212	£42	£254	£21.24	£21.16
£177	£0	£177	£14.75	£14.75
£177	£44	£219	£18.25	£18.25
£108	£0	£108	£9.00	£9.00
£108	£51	£159	£13.25	£13.25
£120	£0	£120	£10.00	£10.00
£120	£28	£148	£12.37	£12.33
£26	£0	£26	£2.24	£2.16

5. Membership Admission and Transfer Payments

5.1 New Member Applications

Direct debit payments (with or without instalments) are available for renewal payments only. Payments accompanying membership applications must cover the entire amount due. Admissions after 1st September will have the subscription fee rolled over to cover the subsequent year.

5.2 Transfer and Other Fees

Fees for application to transfer to Fellow or for Chartered Chemist status must be paid in full and cannot be added to any instalment programme. Transfers to Fellow require a payment of £200; applications for Chartered Chemist require a payment of £100.

6. Subscriptions to Journals in Print and Electronic Format

- **Fellows (FRSC):** 6 print editions of Chemistry World, one free online journal, free access to the Journals Archive lease, Historical Collection, and all free-to-access journals. Up to 25 extra article downloads.
- **Members (MRSC):** Same as Fellows, with up to 20 extra article downloads.
- **Associate Members (AMRSC):** Online access to Chemistry World, free access to the Journals Archive lease, Historical Collection, and all free-to-access journals. Up to 15 extra article downloads.
- **Affiliates:** Online access to Chemistry World, free access to the Journals Archive lease, Historical Collection, and all free-to-access journals. Up to 10 extra article downloads.

- **Partner Scientists:** Online access to Chemistry World, free access to the Journals Archive lease, Historical Collection, and all free-to-access journals. Up to 15 extra article downloads.
- **Partner Teachers:** Online access to Chemistry World, free access to the Journals Archive lease, Historical Collection, and all free-to-access journals. Up to 15 extra article downloads.
- **Students:** Online access to Chemistry World, free access to the Journals Archive lease, Historical Collection, and all free-to-access journals.

Members may purchase additional journals or databases at the rates shown in the document. All members receive at least 80% discount on all print journals and database subscriptions for 2027. VAT applies to electronic journal subscriptions for EU residents; Canadian residents must pay Goods and Service Tax on journals and periodicals.

List of Journals (Print and Online) Available for 2027

Journal Title	Member Price (Print)	Member Price (Online, excl. tax)
Analyst	N/A	£53
Analytical Methods	N/A	£53
Biomaterials Science	N/A	£53
Catalysis Science & Technology	N/A	£53
Chemical Communications	N/A	£53
Chemical Society Reviews	N/A	£53
CrystEngComm	N/A	£53
Dalton Transactions	N/A	£53
Energy & Environmental Science	N/A	£53
Environmental Science: Nano	N/A	£53

Journal Title	Member Price (Print)	Member Price (Online, excl. tax)
Environmental Science: Processes & Impacts	N/A	£53
Environmental Science: Water Research & Technology	N/A	£53
Faraday Discussions	£183	£53
Food & Function	N/A	£53
Green Chemistry	N/A	£53
Inorganic Chemistry Frontiers	N/A	£53
Journal of Analytical Atomic Spectrometry (JAAS)	N/A	£53
Journal of Materials Chemistry A	N/A	£53
Journal of Materials Chemistry B	N/A	£53
Journal of Materials Chemistry C	N/A	£53
Lab on a Chip	N/A	£53
Materials Chemistry Frontiers	N/A	£53
Materials Horizons	N/A	£53
Molecular Omics	N/A	£53

Journal Title	Member Price (Print)	Member Price (Online, excl. tax)
Molecular Systems Design & Engineering	N/A	£53
Nanoscale	N/A	£53
Nanoscale Horizons	N/A	£53
Natural Product Reports	N/A	£53
New Journal of Chemistry	N/A	£53
Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry	N/A	£53
Organic Chemistry Frontiers	N/A	£53
Physical Chemistry, Chemical Physics	N/A	£53
Polymer Chemistry	N/A	£53
Reaction Chemistry & Engineering	N/A	£53
RSC Medicinal Chemistry	N/A	£53
Soft Matter	N/A	£53
Sustainable Energy & Fuels	N/A	£53

Archives & Databases:

- RSC Journals Archive Lease: FREE
- Analytical Abstracts: £855
- Chemical Hazards in Industry: £757

- Historical Collection Part 1: FREE
- Historical Collection Part 2: FREE
- Laboratory Hazards Bulletin: £443
- Natural Product Updates: £205
- Synthetic Reaction Updates: £252

Free to Access Journals:

- Chemical Science
- Chemistry Education Research & Practice (CERP)
- Digital Discovery
- EES Batteries
- EES Catalysis
- EES Solar
- Energy Advances
- Environmental Science: Advances
- Environmental Science: Atmospheres
- Industrial Chemistry & Materials
- Materials Advances
- Nanoscale Advances
- RSC Advances
- RSC Applied Interfaces
- RSC Applied Polymers
- RSC Chemical Biology
- RSC Mechanochemistry
- RSC Pharmaceuticals
- RSC Sustainability
- Sensors & Diagnostics
- Sustainable Food Technology

6.1 Conditions of Sale

Journals are supplied for personal use only. Subscriptions or delivery may be withheld if the recipient's identity or status is unclear. Publications (excluding Chemistry World) are for personal use and may not be ordered on behalf of any library, institution, or company. Access to electronic files is restricted to the member.

6.2 Journals in Print

Subscription to a printed journal does not grant access to the electronic equivalent. All members have electronic access to member-only content of Chemistry World.

6.3 Electronic Journals

The Royal Society of Chemistry reserves the right to withdraw access to any electronic journal without notice if usage is deemed unreasonable or excessive.

7. Interest Groups and Subject Communities

7.1 Subject Communities

Members are eligible to join all Subject Communities at no extra charge. Communities include Analytical Science, Dalton, Education, Faraday (Physical Chemistry), Organic Chemistry, Chemistry Biology Interface, Materials Chemistry, and Environment, Sustainability and Energy.

7.2 Interest Groups

- Fellows, Members, Partner Scientists, and Partner Teachers: Eligible to join up to five Interest Groups; additional groups at £10 each.
- Associate Members and Students: Up to four Interest Groups; additional groups at £10 each.
- Affiliates: Up to three Interest Groups; additional groups at £10 each.

List of Interest Groups (with Subject Community Codes)

Interest Group Name	Subject Community Codes
Agriculture Sector	09
Analytical Biosciences Group	01 & 07
Applied Catalysis Group	06 & 09
Applied Materials Chemistry Group	08
Astrochemistry Group	04
Atomic Spectroscopy Group	01

Interest Group Name	Subject Community Codes
Automation & Analytical Management Group	01
Biological & Medicinal Chemistry Sector	06 & 07
Biomaterials Chemistry Group	07 & 08
Biophysical Chemistry Group	04 & 07
Biotechnology Group	07
British Carbon Group	04
Carbohydrate Group	06 & 07
Chemical Biology & Bioorganic Group	06 & 07
Chemical Education Research Group	03
Chemical Information & Computer Applications Group	07 & 04
Chemical Nanoscience & Nanotechnology Group	08
Colloid & Interface Science Group	04 & 08
Consultancy Group	-
Coordination & Organometallic Discussions Group	02
Educational Techniques Group	03
Electroanalytical Sensing Systems Group	01 & 08
Electrochemistry Group	04 & 08
Elemental Microanalytical Group	01
Energy Sector	09 & 08
Environmental Chemistry Group	01 & 09
ESR Spectroscopy Group	01 & 04
Fluorine Chemistry Group	06
Food Group	01 & 09

Interest Group Name	Subject Community Codes
Formulation Science & Technology Group	01 & 08
Gas Kinetics Group	04
Heterocyclic & Synthesis Group	06
Higher Education Group	03
Historical Group	-
Industrial Physical Chemistry Group	04
Inorganic Biochemistry Discussion Group	07 & 02
Inorganic Reaction Mechanisms Group	02
International Network of Environmental Forensics	09
Joint Pharmaceutical Analysis Group	01 & 06
Law Group	-
Macro Group	08
Macrocyclic & Supramolecular Chemistry Group	02, 06 & 08
Main Group Chemistry Group	02
Management Group	-
Marketing Group	-
Microfluidics Group	-
Molecular Spectroscopy Group	01
Molten Salts & Ionic Liquids Discussion Group	08
Neutron Scattering Group	04 & 08
NMR Discussion Group	01
Nucleic Acids Group	07
Particle Characterisation Group	01

Interest Group Name	Subject Community Codes
Photophysics and Photochemistry Group	04 & 08
Physical Organic Chemistry Group	06
Polymer Physics Group	04 & 08
Porous Materials Group	04 & 08
Process Chemistry and Technology Group	-
Protein & Peptide Science Group	07
Radiochemistry Group	01
Secondary & Further Education Group	03
Separation Science Group	01
Solid State Chemistry Group	08
Solid Surfaces Group	04 & 08
Speciality Chemicals Sector	06
Spectroscopy & Dynamics Group	01 & 04
Statistical Mechanics & Thermodynamics Group	04
Surface Reactivity & Catalysis Group	04 & 08
Surface Coatings Group	08
Theoretical Chemistry Group	04
Thermal Methods Group	01 & 08
Toxicology Group	09
Water Science Forum	09

8. Contributions to Charitable Activities

Members may make charitable donations to the Royal Society of Chemistry Fund or Chemists' Community Fund. Donations may be treated as Gift Aid if eligible.

9. Removal from Membership

Membership will lapse if the total subscription due has not been received in full by 30th April 2027, unless a monthly instalment scheme or prior agreement has been made. Members may resign at any time by contacting membership@rsc.org.

10. Code of Conduct

By paying the annual membership retention fees, members confirm their adherence to the RSC Code of Conduct.

11. Data Protection

The Royal Society of Chemistry is committed to protecting members' personal information. For details, see the privacy statement at www.rsc.org/help-legal/legal/privacy/. Members may opt out of communications at any time. Membership records are archived after cessation and not used for promotional purposes after 12 months.

12. Changes to Terms and Conditions

The Royal Society of Chemistry reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions without notice.