

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Patoss, the Professional Association of Teachers of Students with Specific Learning Difficulties, was formed in 1987 and remains the only professional organisation for teachers in the field of SpLD. Through annual conferences, local groups and publications it works to maintain high standards of knowledge and skills among members, monitoring developments in the areas of research into dyslexia and related disorders, teaching methods and resources.

Patoss aims to promote links with all sectors of education and other professionals with an interest in SpLD. The Association welcomes membership applications from suitably qualified professionals working with learners of any age and at any stage of education or training.

Patoss offers:

- Index of Tutors; Resources List; Membership Handbook
- Legal Helpline run by specialists
- Professional Indemnity Insurance as a benefit for suitably qualified persons
- Regular Newsletters and Bulletins
- Other publications relevant to the field of SpLD
- Web Site linked to other organisations offering help, advice or equipment for dyslexics and teachers; a Bulletin Board open to all
- Annual Conference
- Professional advice on a range of SpLD topics
- Individual membership and Corporate membership for schools, colleges and other organisations with an interest in SpLD

Patoss Aims:

- To establish and maintain the professional status of those qualified to teach students with Specific Learning Difficulties.
- To promote fuller understanding and recognition of SpLD.
- To give a professional corporate response to the department for Education and Skills (DfES) on matters affecting SpLD students.
- To enable members to update and extend their knowledge and skills and to exchange ideas through an annual association conference, bulletins and local groups.
- To promote the continued provision and development of appropriate specialist qualifications in the teaching of students with SpLD.
- To promote links with teachers working with SpLD students in all sectors of education.
- To promote links with other professionals involved in the field of SpLD.
- To maintain a register of the members of the Association.

We welcome new members and hope that you will apply to join

To apply for membership of Patoss, please complete the application form and return to

The Membership Secretary **Patoss Ltd, PO Box 10, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 1ZW**

Please ensure that the correct membership fee and copies of your certificate(s) or pass slip(s) are included.

All cheques should be made payable to Patoss Ltd.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Please read carefully before completing the Application Form

◆Full Member (Full Benefits)

Full Membership (Full Benefits) is open to those holding the RSA/OCR Diploma (SpLD), AMBDA or equivalent qualification, at the discretion of the Executive Committee. Professional Indemnity Insurance cover, is **mandatory** for all Members who teach or assess, wholly or in part, outside an LEA school, Independent School, or Further Education or Higher Education Institution. Any Full Member who is listed in the Index of Tutors must carry this Membership. Full Membership entitles you to full voting rights. Plus the range of **Patoss** publications and reduced fees to **Patoss** national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline, and a range of other **Patoss** services.

Annual subscription - £71.25*

***This amount is paid directly to Patoss. Those joining as Full Members (Full Benefits) will receive information about the Professional Indemnity Insurance cover and a proposal form from the Insurers then a further amount of £78.75 (£75 insurance premium + £3.75 insurance premium tax) should be paid directly to the insurers.**

◆Full Member (Limited Benefits)

Full Membership (Limited Benefits) is open to those holding the RSA/OCR Diploma (SpLD) , AMBDA or equivalent qualification, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, and whose sole teaching and assessment work is within an LEA School, Independent School, or Further Education or Higher Education Institution, and should be covered by the insurance policy of that institution. Full Membership entitles you to full voting rights. Plus the range of **Patoss** publications, reduced fees to **Patoss** national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline, and a range of other **Patoss** services.

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◆**Associate Member (Extended Benefits)** Open to those holding RSA/OCR Certificate in SpLD (or equivalent) and **holding a further recognised qualification in Assessment at a specified age range**. Professional Indemnity Insurance cover is **mandatory** for certificate holders holding a further recognised qualification in Assessment at a specified age range who teach or assess, wholly or in part, outside an LEA school, Independent School, or Further Education or Higher Education Institution. Any Associate Member **holding a further recognised qualification in Assessment at a specified age range** who is listed in the Index of Tutors must carry this membership. Associate Membership entitles you to the range of **Patoss** publications, reduced fees to **Patoss** national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other **Patoss** services.

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◆Associate Member

Associate Membership is open to those holding the RSA/OCR Certificate (SpLD), or equivalent qualification, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, and Teachers and other professionally qualified persons having professional interest in SpLD but without a specialist qualification, at the discretion of the Executive Committee. Associate Membership entitles you to the range of **Patoss** publications, reduced fees to **Patoss** national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other **Patoss** services.

Annual subscription - £50.00

◆Student Member

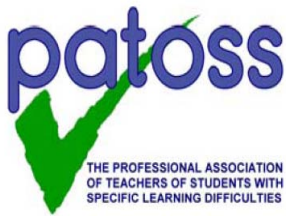
Student Membership is open to those currently registered on a course leading to a recognised specialist qualification in SpLD, and is NOT covered by **Patoss** Professional Indemnity Insurance. Student Membership entitles you to the range of **Patoss** publications, reduced fees to **Patoss** national conferences and local events, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other **Patoss** services.

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◆Corporate Member

Corporate Membership is open to schools, colleges, universities etc. or other organisations with a professional interest in SpLD and is NOT covered by **Patoss** Professional Indemnity Insurance. Corporate Membership entitles you to the range of **Patoss** publications, reduced fees for **TWO** places to **Patoss** national conferences, access to the Legal Helpline and a range of other **Patoss** services. Applications for Corporate Membership should detail the organisation's principal activity, its association with SpLD, and its website address as well as other information noted on the Membership Application form.

Annual subscription - £100.00



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Please complete all relevant sections on both pages of the form and return to The Membership Secretary

Patoss Ltd. PO Box 10, Evesham, Worcs WR11 1ZW

Becoming a member of Patoss will indicate that you have read and agree to abide by the Patoss Code of Ethics. If you have not received this, please look at our web site www.patoss-dyslexia.org or contact the Patoss Office to request a copy.

Please give your preferred contact details Remember to use the same details in all correspondence with Patoss (eg. booking forms, etc.)

NAME:

ADDRESS:

POST CODE:

TEL:

FAX:

EMAIL:

Please give details below of dates/course title/centre/qualification gained and **enclose copies of relevant qualifications with your application.** Please note we are unable to process your membership application without these copies. A Pass Slip will be accepted if you have not yet received your certificate/diploma.

MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK: Your membership includes an entry in the Membership Handbook. **Patoss operates in accordance with the Data Protection Act.** Please be aware that from time to time other members may use information contained in the Membership Handbook to contact you about products or services which may be of interest. Please indicate below any details you **DO NOT** wish to be included in the Handbook.

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE NUMBER	SpLD QUALIFICATIONS
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REGISTRATION FOR THE INDEX OF TUTORS [open to Full Members (Full Benefits) and Associate Members only] Please note that you will only appear in the Index of Tutors if you register. All Full Members and Associate Members (Extended Benefits) holding a recognised qualification in assessment must carry Professional Indemnity Insurance cover to be listed in the Index. PLEASE COMPLETE EVERY SECTION. [All contact details given above will be included in the Tutor Index.]

AGE RANGE YOU PREFER TO TUTOR, OR FOR CERTIFICATE HOLDERS, THE AGE RANGE YOU ARE QUALIFIED TO TUTOR:

WILL YOU ASSESS AS WELL AS TEACH: Yes No

YOUR SPECIALITIES:

I (please print your name) of

(please print your address, if different from above)

apply for membership of Patoss, the Professional Association of Teachers of Students with Specific Learning Difficulties, a company limited by guarantee.

I undertake to contribute such amount as may be required [not exceeding £1.00 (one pound)] to the assets of the Company if it should be wound up while I am a member, for payment of the Company's debts and liabilities contracted before I cease to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among ourselves.

SIGNED: **DATE:**



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (Cont'd)

Your completed form should be returned to -
Patoss Ltd PO Box 10, Evesham, Worcs WR11 1ZW

Please indicate the category of membership for which you are applying

- Full Member (Full Benefits) **£71.25**
- Full Member (Limited Benefits) **£50**
- Associate Member (Extended Benefits) **£71.25**
- Associate Member **£50**
- Corporate Member **£100**
- Student Member [cheque or credit/debit card only] **£35**
- Overseas Members please add surcharge of £25**

OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE RECD:	M/SHIP NO:
DIP/CERT RECD:	INSURANCE VALID FROM:
PAYMENT RECD:	PAYMENT METHOD:

Payment by Cheque / Credit or Debit Card

I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **Patoss Ltd**

Please debit my MasterCard / Visa / Delta / Switch Maestro / Other

Card no:

Start date: Expiry date: Switch Maestro Issue no:

Signature: Date:

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay by Direct Debit

Please complete the whole form using a ball point pen and return to: **Patoss Ltd PO Box 10, Evesham, Worcs WR11 1ZW** Name and Address of your Bank or Building Society

To The Manager	Bank/Building Society
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Address	
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Post Code	

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Reference (for office use only)

Branch Sort Code

Bank/Building Society account number

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society

Please pay Patoss Ltd Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction, subject to the safeguards assured by the Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with Patoss Ltd and, if so, the details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Name(s) of account holder(s)

Signature(s)

Date

Banks and Building Societies may not accept Direct Debit instructions for some types of accounts



The Direct Debit Guarantee



- The Guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that take part in the Direct Debit Scheme. The efficiency and security of the Scheme is monitored and protected by your own Bank or Building Society.
- If the amounts to be paid or the payment dates change Patoss Ltd will notify you 10 working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed.
- If an error is made by Patoss Ltd or your bank or Building Society you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your branch of the amount paid.
- You can cancel a Direct debit at any time by writing to your Bank or Building Society. Please also send a copy of your letter to us.

Applications for Corporate Membership should detail the organisation's principal activity, its association with SpLD, and its website address as well as other information noted on the Membership Application form.