

How to complete your annual member return online

Important information

Completing your member return can be completed on-line.

Your member return has 6 steps. You will need to;

- 1. update your personal details,
- 2. update your **contact details**; please ensure these are updated as it is essential that we are able to contact you as your professional body
- 3. complete your annual **member return** (All mandatory questions are highlighted with an asterisk (*) Guidance notes will appear in dark blue). Once you have submitted this you will not be able to re-submit
- 4. update your professional interests,
- 5. update your **CPD records**,
- 6. attach **supporting documents**; if you in practice you will be required to attach a copy of your professional indemnity insurance (PII)

Failure to complete your return may result in you facing regulatory action.

Some information may already be pre-populated. If information is populated and is correct you can simply click the save button at the bottom of the page.



The **return** will not be populated. You will need to answer all questions and press submit at the end. Once this has been submitted you will not be able to change the answers.

If you navigate away from you member return you can click the dashboard. This will return you to the member dashboard.

DASHBOARD

Key to symbols

* Indicates a mandatory question.



Hover over the question mark for information on how to complete the question.

Live Chat

Although the Live Chat window will open while you are completing this exercise, the Live Chat agents are not equipped to guide you through the annual member return process. If you find you are having difficulty, even with this guidance, please contact the membership team on+44 (0)20 3567 5999.

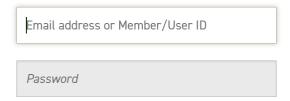
Step-by-Step Instructions

1. Log in

Log in to your member dashboard using your designated email or member ID and your member password.

If you have forgotten your password, please contact the membership department at membership@ifa.org.uk or +44 (0)20 3567 5999 and they will reset this for you.

LOGIN with your email address or IFA member/User ID

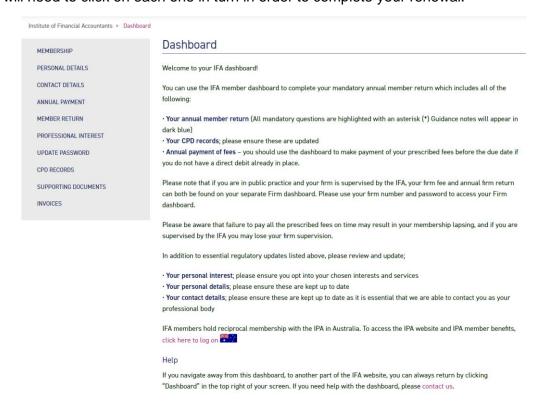


2. Member dashboard

When you log in using your member credentials and member password, you will see your member dashboard.

On the left-hand side you will see the menu of sections you need to check and complete / update in order to renew your membership.

You will need to click on each one in turn in order to complete your renewal.



3. Membership section

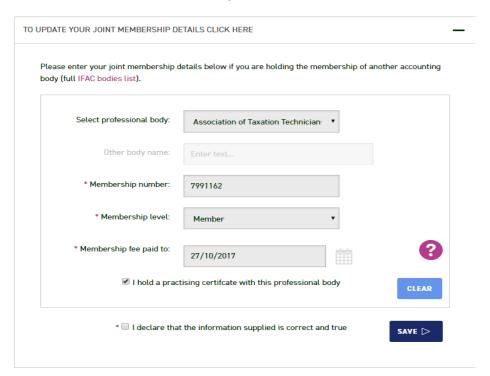
This tab contains information that is prepopulated from information previously provided by you. However, if you believe any of it is incorrect please contact the membership team for assistance.



Joint membership

Where you have membership with another professional body please type the details into the joint membership box and click on the + symbol.

Complete all boxes and then save the changes.



If you do not hold membership with another professional accounting or taxation body please leave this box blank.

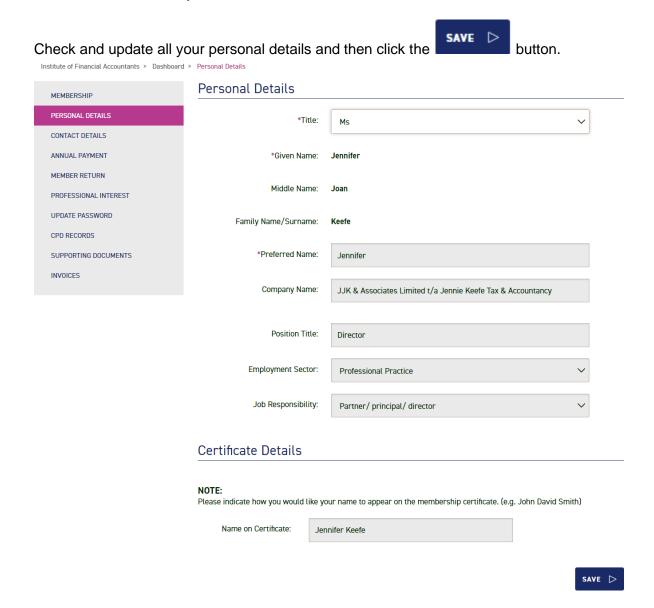
Note: For the purposes of your renewal, the IPA is not considered a separate professional body as membership is provided through your IFA membership.

4. Personal details tab

This tab allows you to update personal details, including any card details we may stored on the system for you. We will only have card details stored if you have chosen to renew your membership by auto-renew.

If you have not chosen to pay your annual membership fee by auto-renew this section will not appear.

If you choose to pay your annual membership fee by instalment you will be able to update the card details here, if you need to do so.



5. Contact details tab

Update your contact details here and then click the already correct you can simply click the save button.

If you do not have a different business or other address please leave these boxes blank.

MEMBERSHIP	Contact Deta	Contact Details		
PERSONAL DETAILS CONTACT DETAILS	HOME ADDRESS		+	
ANNUAL PAYMENT	BUSINESS ADDRES	BUSINESS ADDRESS +		
MEMBER RETURN	OTHER ADDRESS	other address +		
PROFESSIONAL INTEREST	OTHER ADDRESS			
UPDATE PASSWORD	Phone/Email			
CPD RECORDS				
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS	* Please enter at least	one number.		
INVOICES	Mobile:	07775 645 907		
	Business:	01372 848 019		
	Hamai	0.1707 001 000		
	Home:	01737 901 320		
	Note: Please supply at 8665 3165.	t least one contact number. Where relevant, please provide	e the country and area code - e.g. +61 3	
	*Email:	cheng.ang@publicaccountants.org.au		
	Please let us know i	f you have any accessibility or dietary requirements:		
	Enter text			
	I have read a	nd accept IFA's Privacy Policy		
			SAVE >	

6. Annual payment tab

ANNUAL PAYMENT

When you click on the tab you will be re-directed to make your annual membership, and practising certificate if applicable, annual fees.

If you have already set up an active instalment, auto-renew or direct debit for your annual fees, you will see of the below message that is applicable to you. This means you will not need to take any action for your membership and practising certificates fees. You will only need to complete your member returns, and if applicable pay and complete for firm fees and firm returns.

Instalment

Our records indicate that you have chosen to pay your fee via the instalment method. Please go to Payment Methods page to find out the scheduled dates for the payment process. If you would like to opt out of the instalment plan, please contact our office on +44 (0)20 3567 5999 or email membership@ifa.org.uk.

Please note: If you are in public practice and are currently supervised by the IFA for AML as a firm, please make sure you have logged into both your member and firm dashboards to pay both sets of annual fees and complete both returns.

Auto-renew

Our records indicate that you have chosen to pay your fee automatically by charging the nominated card.

Your auto-renew is due to be processed from your chosen card on the 02 January 2021. If you need to change your card details login securely to the Dashbaord and update appropriately. If your payment bounces, or we are unable to take on the agreed date, the IFA will apply late fee charges.

If you would like to choose a different method of payment, or if you have any questions regarding the renewal process, please visit the website at Payment Methods, call us on +44 (0)20 3567 5999 or email membership@ifa.org.uk.

Please note: If you are in public practice and are currently supervised by the IFA for AML as a firm, please make sure you have logged into both your member and firm dashboards to pay both sets of annual fees and complete both returns.

Direct debit

Our records indicate that you have chosen to pay your fee by direct debit. If you are happy to continue with this method of payment you will not need to take any further action regarding payment of this fee.

The direct debit is due to be debited from your chosen account the first week of January. If you have changed your bank account within the last 12 months please contact us to make sure we have the correct account details to take your direct debit. If your direct debit bounces, or we are unable to take this between the chosen payment dates, the IFA will apply late fee charges.

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Please note: If you are in public practice and are currently supervised by the IFA for AML as a firm, please make sure you have logged into both your member and firm dashboards to pay both sets of annual fees and complete both returns.

Within this section, if you have chosen to pay your fees by instalments or auto-renew you will have the ability to adjust your card details here.

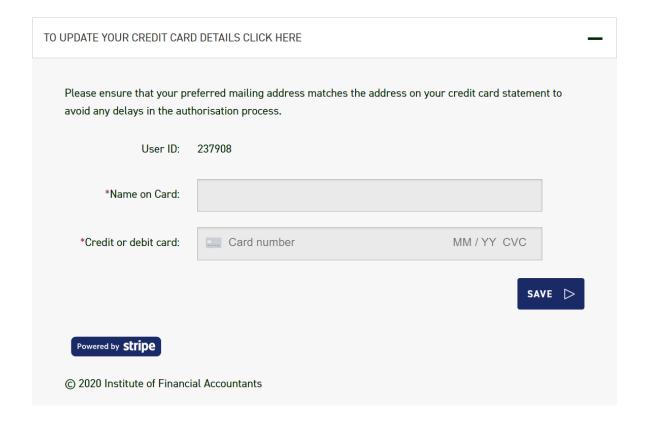
Simply click on the + symbol on the right-hand side for the ability to update your card details. Your details are stored in PayPal and not the IFA database.

Credit Card Details

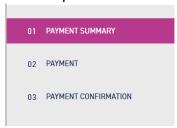
You have chosen to pay your membership fee by either active instalment or auto-renew. In order for this facility to work, your card details are securely kept within the Stripe gateway. If your card details have since changed or expired since the last payment, please update these by entering the details below.

Your auto-renew payment will be taken during the first week in January, with your instalment payments being taken on the first working day in January and the last working day in January.

If your card details have changed in the last 12 months, please update these below. Please remember, for the auto-renew facility you will need to use a credit card.



If you have not chosen one of these, the message then the below page will appear, outlining three steps to follows



You can choose one of the below methods of payment.

Annual Payment

 IFA User ID:
 237908

 Invoice Number:
 141880

Your IFA annual fees are due. If you are in public practice and are currently supervised by the IFA for AML as a member firm, please make sure you have logged into both your member and firm dashboards to pay both sets of annual fees and complete both returns.

All fees are in British Pounds. Accepted forms of payment are VISA, MasterCard and American Express. If you have any questions regarding your invoice, please contact your local IFA team member on +44 (0)20 3567 5999.

Payment Option

Please note:

If you choose to pay by instalments, you will receive a tax invoice for the first payment. Details for subsequent instalment payments will be added to your tax invoice, a copy of which will be available once your annual IFA fee has been paid in full.

Set up a direct debit





Payment Summary

01 Payment summary

In this section you are able to pay your membership fee in full, by instalment or by autorenew.

- **Full payment**: by ticking this box and completing the payment details you will pay all outstanding membership fees in one transaction.
- **Instalment payment**: by ticking this box and completing the payment details you will pay one-third of your membership fee plus a one-off instalment set-up charge of £30.00. The second instalment will be taken on the 04 January 2020. The third instalment will be taken on the 01 February 2020. Your card details are stored in PayPal and not the IFA database.
- Auto-renew: by ticking this box and completing the payment details you will pay all
 outstanding membership fees in one transaction. This facility is only available for credit
 card use. The system will store your credit card details allowing you to use the same
 card for payment of future membership fees. Your details are stored in PayPal and not
 the IFA database.

The amount below will be show in full unless you choose instalments. If you choose instalments they amount will be changed to reflect three equal instalments (first payment due on the day of setting up the instalment) plus a £30.00 instalment charge.

02 Payment

In this section you have the ability to make payment. You must provide card details within this section.

03 Payment confirmation

In this section confirm the payment before submitting. Once submitted you will not be able to cancel the payment.

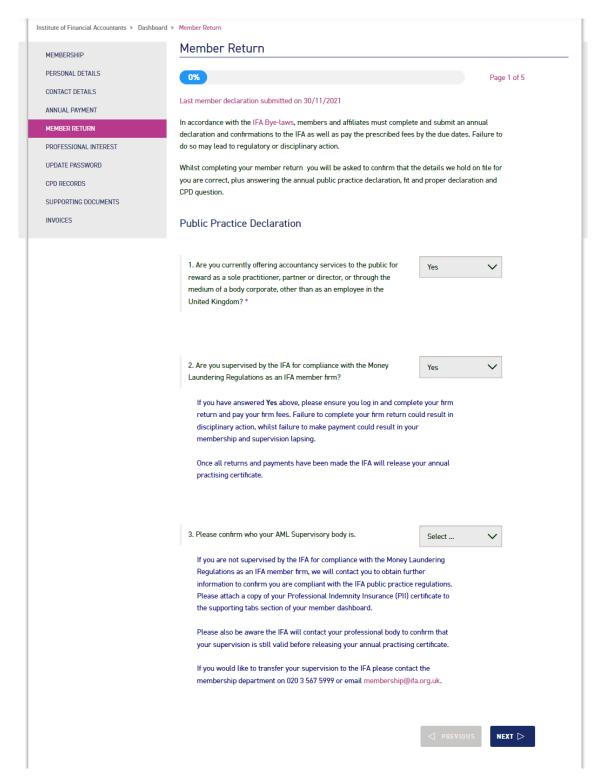
Note:

Once you have made payment you will need to complete the Member return (section 7) online in order to renew your membership fully.

7. Member Return tab

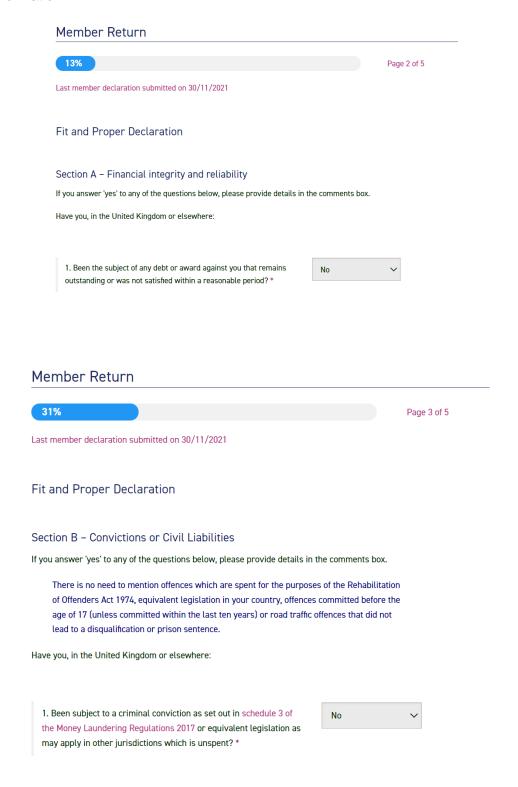
You must answer all questions within this tab. The return consists of 5 pages.

Page 1 consists of your Public Practice Declaration. If you are in practice and are not supervised by the IFA for compliance with the Money Laundering Regulations, we shall contact you to via email to request further information.

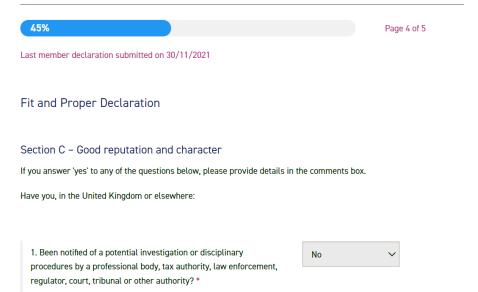


Pages 2-4 consist of your fit and proper declaration.

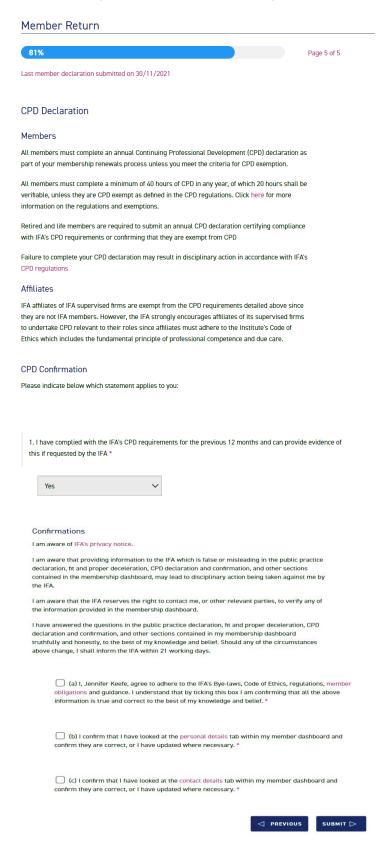
If you select as your answer to any of the fit and proper questions a box will appear for you to provide further details. Depending on your answer we may contact you for more information.



Member Return

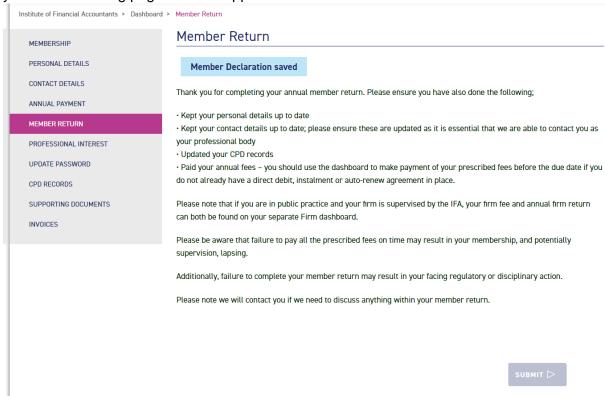


Page 5 of the return consists of your CPD declaration and your confirmations.



Note: We may request to see evidence of your CPD for a certain time period, including specific training.

Once you have clicked submit you would have done your member return for the current year. The following page will then appear



You will not be able to go back to your member return. If you realise that there is an error on the return you will need to contact the membership team directly who will assist you.

8. Professional interest tab

You can use this tab to indicate to the IFA what your chosen method of communication is, whilst also choosing what you would like to hear from us.

Please note our chosen method of communication is email, and we will communicate with you anything that helps you meet your member obligations or that is a of a legal requirement.

Professional Interest				
Yes! I would like to receive information about news, events, products, services and special offers from the IFA via:	Email ▼			
Select / Deselect All				
IFA Services & Offers	CPD Interests			
Alternative Finance	Accounting			
Anti- Money Laundering Compliance	Agriculture			
Banking	Anti-Money Laundering			
Business Rescue & Insolvency	Assurance			
Career Management	Auto-Enrolment			
✓ IFA Branch Network	Banking			
IFA Conferences	Bookkeeping			
IFA CPD	Business Development			

9. CPD records tab

As a member of a professional body you are required to undertake relevant CPD each year. You can keep details of your CPD records up to date by taking advantage of our online CPD records saving facility.

If you require any assistance with using these facilities, please contact the membership department.

CPD Records

Members are required to keep a record of their CPD activities and if requested, co-operate with the IFA compliance and monitoring process and provide evidence of CPD records.

All members must complete a minimum of 40 hours of CPD in any year, of which 20 hours must be verifiable, unless you are CPD exempt. Verifiable CPD shall be related to your roles, responsibilities and/or career, be support by evidence and related to specific learning outcomes. Further information on IFA's CPD requirements and CPD exemption is available here.



10. Support documents tab

Here you will be able to attach a copy of you Professional Indemnity Insurance (PII). Failure to attach this may result in us not being able to release your new practising certificate.

Supporting Documents

Prior to uploading your documents, please make sure your **document name** is in English (only letters and numbers are permitted). Failing to do so, your document may not be uploaded successfully.

If a document size is bigger than 5MB, please separate it to different files in different names.

Guidance

Professional indemnity Insurance (PII): As required in IFA's Public Practice Regulations, professional indemnity Insurance (PII) cover is compulsory for members who have an IFA practising certificate and are engaged in public practice, regardless of the amount of practice income. Further information is available in our website.

Firm Risk Assessment (member firm only): As required in the Money Laundering Regulations 2017, firms must perform a firm-wide money laundering risk assessment. Further information is available in our website.

Please select the document type first, then click the upload button to locate and upload your supporting document. Repeat the action until all documents have been uploaded.



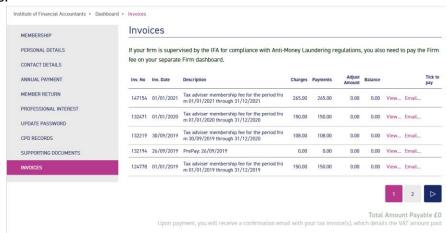




11. Invoices section

In this section you have the ability to view all past invoices and payments, including attendance at branch events and conferences. You can email past receipts to yourself or a third party.

You also have the ability to make full payment for any outstanding invoices that are shown. These will include not only the annual fees but also conference bookings, workshops and CPD events.



If you complete all sections above, including making payment, you would have successfully renewed your membership, and practising certificate if applicable.

If you are supervised by the IFA for AML Supervision as an IFA member firm, you will also be required to complete your firm return. You can access this by logging into your firm dashboard and entering your firms details. If you are supervised by the IFA and do not pay your firm fee, your membership and supervision may lapse as you cannot hold membership without also holding AML supervision.

Assistance

If you require any help completing your online member return or making payment please contact the membership team on +44 (0)20 3567 5999 or email membership@ifa.org.uk

If you require any assistance completing your firm return please contact the compliance team on 020 3567 5999 or email compliance@ifa.org.uk

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