

Why Should I join PIA?

Many of us in the business world fight the same battles without capitalizing on one another. How often have we discovered throughout our lives, that working together is much more effective than one person alone? Beginning in our youth, continuing through school, college, sports, military service, politics and professions, most of us have found that we can accomplish more by cooperating with others toward a common goal. So, above all, the Parachute Industry Association provides strength in numbers.

We have created an environment where members can get together and resolve industry issues with all the players at the same table. Suppliers, manufacturers, government agencies and businesses, riggers, DZ operators – all have input in determining where our organization, and therefore our industry, will go in the future.

Join to take part in the ever changing issues facing the Parachute Industry. Share information and exchange ideas with the key people in our industry and sport. The work that we do has resulted in countless issues being resolved which could have had devastating impact on the industry, as we know it. What is coming in the future? Who knows, but why fight these battles alone? The whole is truly greater than the sum of its parts. Why would anyone in our industry miss the chance to influence the direction we go?

Be here so you can be involved while other people make decisions that may affect your business. Join the Parachute Industry Association today!

All members have access to PIA members only sections of the PIA website and may use the PIA logo.

In order to have access to PIA member only information, members must register by going to the Home menu link and selecting Website Registration.

** Only Full and Sustaining members can chair committees and have voting rights.

Here are a few of the projects that PIA has undertaken, past and present:

- PIA International Symposium and Trade Show (member discounts on attendance and exhibit space)
- PIA Conversion/Maintenance of “MIL Specs” to PIA Specifications and Parachute Standards (PS) Hardware Drawings
- PIA Website Access (members and non-members alike) at www.PIA.com
- Online Yellow Pages Listing (members only)
- Parachute Certification Standards
- Government/Industry Partnership for Procurement
- Monitoring in Washington DC of action involving the Berry Amendment
- Department of Commerce Parachute Industry Survey
- Airport Access Battles
- Rapid Refueling Specification
- Parachute Canopy Fabric Pull Test Specification
- Rigger/FAA Relationships
- Continuing Education program for Parachute Riggers at Symposium
- Regional Parachute Riggers Workshop
- Proposals regarding Worldwide Regulation Changes
- Participation in the Development of an International Skydiving Museum
- Dual Square Canopy Study
- PIA Service Bulletin Listing
- Canopy Volume Study
- Equipment Standardization Guidelines
- Awards to Recognize Contributions to the Sport and Industry
- PIA Documents
- PIA Logo (members only)
- PIA website banner ad (Sustaining Members only)