

Membership Process

Charter Members

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The annual additional charter members are added by a nomination process operated by the Chief Returning Officer (CRO).

Nominations

- 1. The **nomination period** is opened, and announced by the CRO.
 - a. Time Period:
 - i. Minimum: four week
- 2. Announce
 - a. Minimum: discuss, charter_member
 - b. Recommended: announce, news item
- 3. Email template:
 - a. Provided to support nomination process
- 4. Charter members propose new nominees
 - a. Confirm with the individual before nominating
 - b. Nominee required to have (or create) an OSGeo profile



- c. Email cro@osgeo.org using supplied email template
- 5. CRO will **verify** with the nominee
 - a. Minimum: charter member responsibilities
- 6. Nomination period is closed
- 7. Nomination **review** period
 - a. Nominees are reviewed by charter members
 - b. Charter members vote on nominee list
- 8. Update charter membership
 - a. CRO will gather any concerns raised for anonymous review by OSGeo Board
 - b. CRO will present list of nominees
- 9. Update charter members list
 - a. Add new charter members.

Charter member responsibilities

Official responsibilities for charter members are important, but relatively light. They include:

- Annually vote for OSGeo Board members.
- Annually vote for new OSGeo Charter members.

OSGeo member page contact details used for voting process.