

REGISTRATION POLICY

Life Membership

Any person who was a registered optician, having permanently retired from the practice of opticianry, and having the number of years that they have been registered with the College of Opticians of Ontario (COO) and years of age that together total at least 85, may apply to the Registrar, or be nominated for designation as a Life Member.

Life Membership Eligibility Criteria

In order to qualify for life membership, the applicant must meet the core eligibility criteria set out in Article 3.1 of the COO by-laws as well as the additional criteria below.

The applicant must:

- Hold or have previously held a certificate of registration as a Registered Optician
- Be permanently retired from the practice of opticianry and agree not to practise opticianry

The applicant must not:

- Be in default of payment of fees or of any other obligation owed to COO, other than for payment of the annual membership renewal fee
- Be the subject of proceedings for professional misconduct, incompetence or incapacity in relation to any profession, in any jurisdiction
- Be in breach of an order of a COO Committee or a panel of a COO Committee
- Be in violation of a decision of a panel of the Inquiries, Complaints and Reports Committee requiring the member to be cautioned or to complete a specified continuing education or remediation program
- Be the subject of an ongoing inquiry or investigation by the Registrar, a COO Committee, or a panel of a COO Committee
- Have otherwise acted in a manner that is inconsistent with an ongoing association with COO