# A comprehensive guide to member benefits

The voice of the modular industry



modular & portable building association

The Modular and Portable Building Association (MPBA) was established in 1938 as the leading UK Trade Association, representing and promoting the use of temporary and permanent modular buildings.

Since inception the MPBA has played a critical role in the overall development of the modular industry. At the MPBA we pride ourselves on our extensive knowledge of off site construction and the high level of service we deliver to our members on a constant basis.

All committee and board members of the MPBA follow our key promise of being completely transparent and trustworthy with all members and customers in the off site construction industry.

#### **Membership options**

We have an ever increasing membership database of companies who we support and guide.

Membership is split into two categories, determined by the type of products and services members offer.

#### **Full Membership**

Full members are able to supply, for either purchase or hire, new manufactured modular and portable buildings and quality pre-owned modular and portable buildings.

#### **Associate Membership**

Associate members are companies with strong business contacts within the industry and supply materials, components and ancillary services to full members and their customers.



#### **Our Commitment to your company**

By becoming part of our association you will be opening the door to new business opportunities that are specifically designed to help your company grow. Your interests and views are central to our association and we also work alongside specially selected companies such as HR consultants, technical experts and solicitors to provide a range of bespoke support services for our members.

## Business Improvement Moving the industry forward = enhanced company profit

Off site construction is an industry worth billions of pounds, making a significant contribution to UK economic growth. It is therefore more important than ever to have a trade association with a compelling voice and excellent connections.

We work closely with government departments and agencies to ensure the wider views and opinions of the industry are heard.













To be the force behind the growth and promotion of the modular and portable buildings industry, whilst acting in the best interests of its members at all times.

#### **Our objectives:**

 To maintain and improve standards of service, performance and the product quality of the Modular and Portable Building Industry.

- 2. Promote the expansion of the Modular and Portable Building Industry in ways which benefit both its customers and our members.
- **3.** To promote just and honourable business practices ensuring that relations with the public are at all times outstanding and clients can have confidence when dealing with MPBA members.
- **4.** To encourage, promote, protect and defend the legitimate interests of all members by liaising with appropriate authorities.

- **5.** To communicate with, national and local governments, public authorities and standardising bodies, in respect of legislation and standards affecting the industry and also represent members collectively to those bodies.
- **6.** To provide a referral service for potential industry customers.
- 7. To provide members with information, data and statistics relating to the industry and also a forum where opinions can be exchanged.
- **8.** A platform to encourage members to further educate and develop both themselves and their staff.





Modular and Portable Building Specialist Accreditation and Training Centre

# LEARNING HUB

Our core skills and training are based upon the following four key learning and development pillars.

The Learning Hub is a Specialist Accreditation and Training Centre for a diverse and innovative Industry Sector, leading the way for offsite Construction.

The Association has developed a specific qualification for operatives, in addition to specialist training on electrical systems and is now developing an apprenticeships for the sector, through the Trailblazer program.

With the support of a Construction Industry Training Board grant, the Learning Hub has been developed to provide a delivery mechanism for National Vocational Qualifications, Training and Apprenticeships in partnership with local and national providers.

# NVQ's

Levels of National Vocational Qualifications provide recognition of knowledge and experience within the workforce. We provide an On-Site Assessment and Training (OSAT) and Experienced Worker Practical Assessment (EWPA) routes to qualifications for varied levels and skills relevant to the industry.



# **Apprenticeships**

What would the future be for the next generation with a route into the Industry. The MPBA are developing a specific apprenticeship scheme for a Modular and Portable Building Operative that will provide an entry point to a career in a growing industry.



# **CSCS** Card

The landscape for the Construction Skills Certification Scheme has changed dramatically. All card holders require a qualification relevant to the work that is undertaken on a construction site. No card no access. We guide the industry on the requirements and the route to achievement.



# **Specialist Training**

We have a legacy of developing industry specific training and will continue to expand on this as CITB Approved Training Organisation (ATO) to offer a high level of assured courses to the industry from safety to electrical. All training is integrated into the apprenticeship and NVQ approach; providing a holistic learning and development environment.

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# Overcome Business & Industry Challenges

With the EPC Scheme members can:

• Create job specific generic EPC free to member companies

- Create new asset records
- Upload custom EPC's
- Upload and retrieve project specific building information

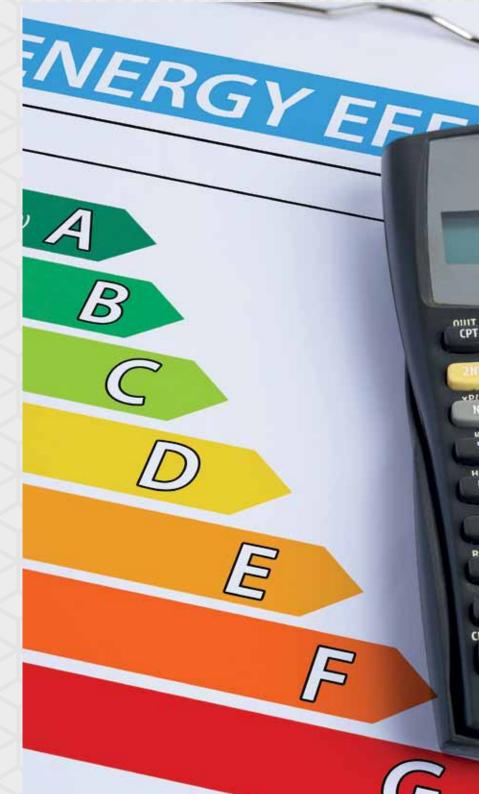
An online solution for Members to securely access and produce their own records and store EPC's for their own projects.

# Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) Scheme -

The MPBA Generic EPC Scheme is now FREE to members of the MPBA included within annual membership fees.

Our EPC Scheme aims to help reduce the risk to the industry from building regulations by meeting specific requirements and to demonstrate responsibility by providing a public means to check the validity of generic certificates.

If you would like to talk to someone about membership in more detail please call 0870 241 7687 or email us at mpba@mpba.biz



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# Make the most of your Membership with the MPBA

To register for membership online please visit:

www.mpba.biz

# The membership in 6 easy steps



# **1. Business Shield**

Members receive a FREE Health and Safety and Employment Law service.

- Health and Safety and Employment Law telephone helpline
- Online MPBA exclusive
  members area
- Extensive online database of Health & Safety and Employment Law documentation
- 'Ask The Expert' online service
- Health and Safety and Employment Law legislation update seminars



# 2. Communications

Always be in the know with our FREE communication service.

- Unlimited online database of articles and newsletters
- Government lobbying on your behalf
- Media and public relations representation
- Regular informative e-newsletter, email alerts to broadcast key issues/regulatory and legislative updates
- Advanced platform to enable members to showcase industry news



# 3. Marketing

Quality consultancy services provided by professionals.

- Networking and
  exhibition events
- Tailored email marketing
- Opportunities to advertise
- Customised promotional materials
- Experienced marketing and sales advice



# 4. Training

High quality learning and training for members of the MPBA.

- Electrical and apprenticeship training in association with GTEC Training
- Up-Skilling Programme
  NVQ Level Two Training -
- Installing, Dismantling, Maintenance of Modular and Portable Buildings, with CSCS Card for successful candidates



# 5. Technical

Receive FREE advice provided by dedicated industry experts.

- Industry code of conduct guidelines
- Up to date legislation information
- Database of current information
- Transparency of committee meeting notes
- Information and guidelines available to download
- LABC approved free generic EPC scheme exclusive to MPBA members



# Guidance

FREE accurate guidance and support on any issues that may affect your company.

- Guidance Documents approved by the HSE
- Up to date guidance and information on legislation requirements

All MPBA members undergo a very thorough auditing process which means that any customers buying from an MPBA member can be certain of the highest levels of service delivery and product quality.

We do not underestimate the importance of our role in raising the profile of the industry and in setting high standards for all organisations that operate within it.

Our collective understanding of end customer requirements means that we are best placed to advise on a range of different issues from technical project specifics through to safe working practices and compliance.

We support members with the following:

- Technical industry information
- Health and Safety updates
- Compliance and certification
- Legislative information and updates
- Proactive policy development

# Human resources, technical, health and safety and legal benefits

Why pay extra for external services in health and safety, employment law, marketing, technical and training services?

It's all part of your membership with the MPBA. Upon joining the MPBA you will instantly receive access to our 'Business Shield' services, providing your company with extensive business services absolutely free.

#### Services range from:

- Advice response within 24 hours
- Online database to research articles and newsletter updates
- Information to ensure you are aware of the latest legislation changes
- Ability to save documents you find most useful in your own personal library
- 5. Forms and templates available to download
- 6. Employment law advice

#### **Health and Safety services**

Our dedicated health and safety committee takes full management control of all health and safety issues within the industry. You will benefit from hearing all important messages first; the committee also makes sure you have the highest quality, accurate information on all legislation and statutory requirements including anything that will potentially affect your workplace.

#### **Technical services**

Our technical committee team regularly meet with regulatory bodies to manage technical issues and protect the industry on your behalf. Benefit from receiving precise technical information and guidance on all legislation and statutory requirements, this key information could possibly affect the design or use of products.

#### **Marketing services**

Our experienced marketing committee works to raise the profile of the MPBA and our members in the media through various marketing and PR activities. The marketing committee is also on hand to provide innovative creative support including different advertising opportunities for members.

#### **Dedicated support**

We want you to receive maximum benefit from your membership so we are always happy to help.





MPBA arranges a wide range of opportunities to ensure the full benefits of membership, to share ideas, learn about new products and keep up to date with what is happening in the Volumetric/ Modular industry.

### Networking

These events are set up to exchange information and ideas for people working in specific markets, allowing you to network with others in your industry

#### **Exhibitions and Conferences**

Promoting the industry sector and raising awareness of the benefits of volumetric /modular offsite.

Creating a platform for construction professionals to explore the latest offsite solutions, providing a dynamic and interactive learning experience.

### **Members Meetings**

Meetings arranged for committees to report and update members on what activities being undertaken on behalf of the members.

#### **Award Events**

The awards events are your opportunity to celebrate the very best in offsite construction.

#### **Annual Dinner**

A great way to meet, socialize and get to know other members and associate members the best networking opportunities!

#### **Golf Days**

Spend your day practising your swing on a championship standard parkland course. A great way to spend time with other members, get involved with some healthy competition.

## **Social Media**

Expand your brand through the MPBA's social media. Social media helps to raise awareness about your business. Media sites are becoming the go-to place for consumers who want to learn more about a business, more importantly, it provides you with the opportunity to grow relationships with your target audience.

The MPBA's social media is managed to ensure this reflects the quality of the information of the industry via LinkedIn, MPBA's News page and Twitter.

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