

# ipse *Membership*

Whether you're an experienced independent professional or just starting up, IPSE offers specialist support and advice across all industries and sectors.

From business templates and contracts through to free, 24hr tax and legal advice, IPSE can help you at every step of the way.

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**ipse** The Association of  
Independent Professionals  
and the Self Employed

# About IPSE

*IPSE is the largest association of independent professionals in the EU, representing freelancers, contractors and consultants from every sector of the economy.*

IPSE believes that flexibility in the labour market is crucial to Britain's economic success. We are an active and influential voice in government and industry to create the stimulus needed for independent professionals, and their clients, to thrive and prosper.

As well as being a campaigning body, IPSE provides a wide range of support services to help its members succeed in business.



## IPSE Membership

*Whether you're an experienced independent professional or just starting out, joining IPSE unlocks a treasure trove of specialist support that would be hard to find elsewhere.*

Membership gives you everything in one place – a comprehensive array of tools, advice and protection to save you time, money and hassle. Membership is available in two levels, standard and plus.

Member Benefits	Standard	Plus
Lobbying for you in government and industry	✓	✓
Free tax and legal helplines	✓	✓
A specialist to defend you in a tax investigation at no cost	✓	✓
Toolkit with business templates, client contracts and more	✓	✓
All news and guidance on changes that affect you	✓	✓
Extensive networking	✓	✓
Free access to inspiring workspaces in London and preferred rates at nationwide workspaces	✓	✓
Debt recovery: special member rate	✓	✓
Free handling of HMRC compliance checks	✗	✓
Up to £10,000 compensation for failed payments	✗	✓
24-7 access to Ashridge Business School guidance	✗	✓
Up to £2,000 compensation if you are ill/injured for 3 weeks	✗	✓
Up to £1,000 compensation if an agency breaks its contract	✗	✓
Up to £500/day compensation for tax compliance meetings	✗	✓
Up to £500/day compensation for jury service	✗	✓
FEE FOR SINGLE MEMBERSHIP	£178.80 incl. VAT	£286.80 incl. VAT

# A voice in Government

IPSE is the voice of independent professionals, working with government and industry to protect and promote freelancers on a range of issues including; IR35, Agency Workers Regulations, Security Clearances and Intra-Company Transfers. IPSE works with agency bodies APSCO and REC to find solutions to key issues and have introduced an Approved Contract scheme to help agencies and their contractor clients.



## Business Guides

IPSE is the most comprehensive and non-commercial source of advice, helping freelancers understand the rules and regulations with expert guides on a range of topics, including mortgages, pensions, family business tax, IR35 and credit management.

## Freelance Toolkit

Business tools and services to better equip you, including contract templates, invoice tools, checklists and dividend vouchers.

## Valuable Helplines

*Specialist guidance at your fingertips with helplines for your tax, contract and legal issues.*

## Discounts on key suppliers

IPSE's membership is quickly recouped with access to a full range of services at discounted rates from approved suppliers including; Professional Indemnity cover (PI), home office and health insurance, hotels and training. IPSE members also get preferential rates from Safe Collections, a leading UK and international debt recovery service.

# A vibrant network

Our popular online forums allow members to discuss key issues and provide a wealth of experience and advice. Getting ahead of the competition couldn't be easier with over 100 member seminars and events hosting expert speakers on a variety of key business topics across the country.

# News, insights and lifestyle

Essential updates online, in the fortnightly newsletter and bi-monthly Freelancing Matters magazine exploring the latest changes, key issues and developments in the world of work.

# Tax investigation representation

Professional Expenses insurance (PEI) via IPSE's policy covers all members up to £75,000 per member per membership year, to cover professional fees relating to any tax investigation including those on IR35, S660A, PAYE, VAT and other matters.

*Investigations dealing with business related enquiries into your personal return such as Expenses Claims will also be covered.*

# Use of co-working hubs

All members have access to a choice of fantastic co-working hubs in London, perfect if you need an inspiring and professional space to work from. Members can also use a range of nationwide work hubs at a discounted rate. The work spaces offer creative surroundings and complimentary hot-desks, showers, coffee and wifi. You are also eligible to book private meeting rooms, chargeable by the hour.



# Fully comprehensive tax representation

IPSE Plus members benefit from full expert tax representation from the word go, even before it reaches the investigation stage. So whether you receive a letter announcing a VAT or PAYE compliance visit, a check of employer records (the precursor to an IR35 investigation) or a Business Record Check, you will be assigned a tax specialist to deal with HMRC on your behalf. If any of these matters are not handled correctly, it could lead to a full-blown tax investigation.

## Client and agency failure insurance

*IPSE's Business Interruption policy allows a claim to be made on your behalf for up to £10,000 if your client or agency goes into administration and you are not paid for work undertaken.*

The losses will be limited to hours/days worked which the client or agency was due to reimburse. You can also claim up to £1,000 if your agency defaults on its contract.

## Jury service expenses insurance

IPSE offers a jury service expenses insurance policy for the benefit of IPSE Plus members. The policy is underwritten by Brit Insurance Limited and is administered by Abbey Tax Protection (ATP) on their behalf. The Jury Service Allowance is limited to a maximum of 10 days at £500 per day minus a deduction of any amount recovered from the relevant court. In order to arrive at the daily amount payable, the IPSE Plus member will be asked to provide details of the length and value of the current engagement from which it will be possible to calculate a daily rate.



## Safe Collections fee recovery service

Safe Collections Ltd is a commercial debt recovery and credit reporting agency now well into its second decade of service. It is approved and recommended by a number of leading organisations. IPSE has negotiated a preferential Fee Recovery Service for members who need help with debt collection. Members will deal directly with Safe Collections and will be billed only upon collection of a debt. There are no initial fees and the member will be given progress updates as part of the service.



## Online Professional Development

Ashridge is a leading international business school. Its Virtual Learning Resource Centre (VLRC) offers access via the web to a wealth of materials, including over 50 of Ashridge's highly regarded learning guides covering a broad range of business and management competencies. The VLRC combines Ashridge's expertise in management development with the power of internet technology to deliver learning materials to the desktop. It also offers regular book summaries and features on trends in particular industries.

For further information, or to access any of these benefits, please visit:

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