

# 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](mailto: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.