

# Membership Pro

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## Release Notes

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This is the first general-availability release of Membership Pro, the desktop application from Computer Aided Business Systems for managing the members, groups, events, giving, and communications of a member-based organisation. The notes below summarise what the release includes, what you need to run it, how to install and activate it, and the known limitations of this version.

### What's included

Membership Pro 1.0.0 is a complete, ready-to-use system. The following modules are all part of this release.

Module	Highlights
Members & Households	Member records with photos and contact details; households with a designated head; auto-numbered membership; show/hide inactive records.
Groups	Create groups, manage membership, and assign leadership roles.
Events & Attendance	Record events and mark attendance against an event roster, including group-scoped rosters and bulk "mark all present."
Contributions	Categories, donors, deposit batches, individual contributions, and pledges (lump-sum or per-period), with contribution statements.
Reports	Membership, attendance, and financial reports rendered to PDF, including per-donor statements with a configurable tax disclaimer.
Communications (email)	SMTP setup, reusable templates with merge fields, consent-aware recipient selection, and a delivery log.
Administration	Organisation profile, user accounts, roles and per-menu permissions, database backup and restore, and licence activation.
Localisation	Terminology packs chosen at first run so the application speaks your organisation's vocabulary.

### System requirements

Requirement	Details
Operating system	Windows 10 or Windows 11 (64-bit), or Windows Server 2016 or later
Processor / memory	Any modern 64-bit PC; 4 GB RAM or more recommended
Disk space	About 200 MB for the application, plus room for your data and reports
.NET Framework	Version 4.8 (the installer checks for this)

Requirement	Details
Database (default)	None required — a built-in database is created automatically on first run
Database (optional)	Microsoft SQL Server 2016 or later, for sharing one database across several PCs
Email (optional)	An SMTP account, if you intend to send email from the Communications module

## Installation and activation

1. Run the Membership Pro installer and follow the prompts. Required components, including the Visual C++ runtime, are installed for you.
2. Launch Membership Pro. On first run, a short setup wizard collects your organisation details, your preferred terminology, and your first administrator account.
3. Activate your licence from Help → Licence using the licence key supplied with your purchase. Licences are perpetual and tied to the PC on which they are activated.
4. Sign in with the administrator account you created, and begin adding members.

**Tip.** If you plan to share one database across several workstations using SQL Server, set that up before adding data so everyone works from the same records. See the User Guide, Administration section, for details.

## Known issues and limitations

- **Email only in this release.** The Communications module sends email. SMS and WhatsApp messaging are not included in version 1.0.0 and are planned for a future Enterprise edition.
- **SQL Server backups use server tools.** The in-application Backup and Restore commands cover the built-in database. On shared SQL Server deployments, use your SQL Server administration tools to back up and restore the database; the application will point you there.
- **Restore requires a restart.** Restoring the built-in database stages the chosen backup and then closes the application; the restore completes the next time you launch it. A safety copy of your current database is taken automatically beforehand.
- **Terminology is chosen once at setup.** The terminology pack is selected during first-run setup. Contact support if you need to change it after data has been entered.

## Support

For help, contact Computer Aided Business Systems:

- **Email:** support@membershippro.net
- **Web:** MembershipPro.net

Please include your Membership Pro version (1.0.0) and a description of what you were doing when any problem occurred. Your licence and activation details can be found under Help → Licence.