



Membership Dues Investment Schedule January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

| | AOA Dues | SCOPA Dues | SCOPA Assessment | Annual | Biannual Payment | Quarterly Payment |
|--|----------|------------|------------------|------------|------------------|-------------------|
| New Graduate (graduation year) | Free | Free | Free | Free | Free | Free |
| Postgraduate | \$35.00 | Free | Free | \$35 | _____ | _____ |
| First Year | \$99.60 | \$78.70 | \$125 | \$303.30 | \$151.65 | \$75.83 |
| Second Year | \$199.20 | \$157.40 | \$125 | \$481.60 | \$240.80 | \$120.40 |
| Third Year | \$498.00 | \$393.50 | \$125 | \$1,016.50 | \$508.25 | \$254.13 |
| Fourth Year | \$747.00 | \$590.25 | \$125 | \$1,462.25 | \$731.13 | \$365.56 |
| Fifth Year | \$996.00 | \$787.00 | \$125 | \$1,908.00 | \$954.00 | \$477.00 |

Click on the “Pay Membership Dues” link on SCOPA’s website (www.sceyedoctors.com) to make a payment any time.

Quarterly billing is January, April, July and October. Biannual billing is January and July. All one-time payments are due by March 15th. To avoid receiving suspension letters from the AOA, please submit payment by the due dates.

If you are interested in information on other member categories, please contact the SCOPA office before the April 30th deadline.

***This dues schedule includes the SCOPA Reserve Fund assessment of \$125 per dues paying member, per year for three years (2025 – 2027). Members in good standing voted for this assessment at the SCOPA Annual Meeting Business Meeting held August 22, 2024 at the 117th Annual Meeting.**

Associate members of the SCOPA are optometrists licensed in, but not practicing in, South Carolina who are members of their state AOA affiliate or of the Armed Forces of Optometry (AFOS)/AOA. Annual dues payment of \$200. In-state associate members will be assessed for the SCOPA Reserve Fund amount of \$125.

Contributions or gifts to both SCOPA and AOA are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for income tax purposes. They may be tax deductible, however, as ordinary and necessary business expenses, subject to restrictions imposed as a result of association lobbying activities. The non-deductible portion of your 2025 SCOPA annual dues, the portion which is allocable to lobbying and political activities is 29 percent. The AOA estimates that the non-deductible portion of your AOA 2025 dues, the portion that is allocable to lobbying and political activities, is 12 percent.