

# FAQ for prospective Professional Volunteers



**Question** - I have the kind of professional skills you are looking for. I would like to be of some help to you but I am just too busy during office hours to be able to do this. Would my skills still be of use to you outside of normal office hours?

**Answer** - Yes. They most certainly would. Apply to join us today and we will get back to you as soon as we can. We can then work out the "time factor" bit together in order to arrive at a time commitment for you that you would find totally satisfactory.

**Question** - I would like to help whenever I can but my working day leaves no room at all for that, and my spare time is also rather limited. Would my services still be of value to you on this "as and when" basis?

**Answer** - Again, yes. They most certainly would. In fact we expect the kind of situation you have just described to be the rule rather than the exception.

**Question** - I have read through the "Professional Service Volunteers" section of your volunteers web page and didn't find my profession listed there. Does that mean that you are not interested in the skills that I have to offer?

**Answer** - No. Not at all. The professions listed on our volunteers web page are the most obvious skills that we are in need of, but that list is by no means exhaustive. So, if you have professional skills that you think may be of use to us and you would like to volunteer those skills to us, then please fill out our on-line application form (from the link below) and we will get right back to you on it just as soon as we can.

**Question** - If I volunteer my professional services to MCS International how long would you expect me to go on providing them?

**Answer** - There are 3 options offered to you to on this matter in our on-line application form: 1 year, 3 years and 5 years plus. Take your pick!

**Question** - The Internet is used by many tricksters and con men. If I volunteered you my professional skills how would you satisfy yourself that I was in fact genuine?

**Answer** - Good question! The answer would vary considerably depending on the skill set being offered. In some cases, like a good cartoonist for example, professional skills would be obvious from say a specific demonstration. In others that matter would, of necessity, be rather more complex than that. As in the case of legal, scientific and health care professionals for example. In cases such as these formal verification of professional status would of course be required.

**Question** - I do voluntary work for other organisations. Problem?

**Answer** - Obvious conflicts of interest aside - no, not necessarily.

Ready to apply? Do it here: [www.mcs-international.org/join\\_us.html](http://www.mcs-international.org/join_us.html)

More questions? Ask them here: [questions@mcs-international.org](mailto:questions@mcs-international.org)



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