



# 2021/2022 FIRST-TIME ATHLETE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

\$25

This application is for first-time minor athlete members only.

Membership will expire July 31, 2022.

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

All fields marked \* are REQUIRED.

Parent/Guardian: \*Legal First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ \*Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian: Preferred Name \_\_\_\_\_ \*Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ \*City \_\_\_\_\_ \*State \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*Email \_\_\_\_\_ \*Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## ATHLETE INFORMATION

Athlete: \*Legal First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ \*Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Athlete: Preferred First Name \_\_\_\_\_ \*Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
*Preferred Name will be provided to meet directors in place of legal first name for use at competitions.*  
 \*Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ \*City \_\_\_\_\_ \*State \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
*If same as parent/guardian write SAME.*  
 \*Email \_\_\_\_\_ \*Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Member No. (if known) \_\_\_\_\_ \*Citizen:  Yes  No, please provide name of country of citizenship \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ethnicity/Race:  African American  American Indian  Asian  Caucasian  Hispanic  Pacific Islander  Two or More Races  choose not to respond  
*Submission of this information is completely voluntary. Data collected is provided annually to the United States Olympic Committee to strengthen diversity among all Olympic sports.*

## MEMBER CLUB INFORMATION

\*Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club # \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*Club Address \_\_\_\_\_ \*City \_\_\_\_\_ \*State \_\_\_\_\_ \*Zip \_\_\_\_\_

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

Write the level(s) that apply on the line provided under the discipline

Women's Artistic Level/Xcel Division: \_\_\_\_\_ Men's Artistic Level/Xcel Division: \_\_\_\_\_ Rhythmic Level/Xcel Division: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check box if a Trampoline & Tumbling gymnast  Check box if an Acrobatic Gymnast  Check box if a GfA Gymnast

## SAFE SPORT INFORMATION

Athlete safety and well-being are USA Gymnastics' highest priority, and the USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy is one of the most powerful tools the organization has for athlete protection.

As the parents and guardians of a minor who is a member of USA Gymnastics, you need to be fully aware of the Safe Sport Policy, its mandates and member requirements, as well as understand the roles each of us have in athlete safety.

### 1. The Safe Sport Policy and what it means for your child.

The Safe Sport Policy requires mandatory reporting, defines misconduct, sets standards to prohibit grooming behaviors and establishes greater accountability. The Safe Sport Policy specifically sets policy that limits one-on-one interactions between those in a position of authority and minor athletes. Those policies address travel, individual training, meetings, electronic communication, medical modalities, gifting, locker room behaviors and parental right to watch practice.

### 2. What is now required of your gym in protecting your child.

- Member Clubs are required to have written policies consistent with USA Gymnastics Safe Sport Policy.
- All staff at a Member Club are considered mandatory reporters and must report sexual misconduct to the U.S. Center for SafeSport and all other misconduct to USA Gymnastics.

- Ensure that all staff who have regular contact and authority over Minor Athletes have passed a background check consistent with USA Gymnastics background check policy and completed U110: SafeSport Core Course.
- Designate a Safety Champion to disseminate safety information to all club staff and parents.
- Adhere to all restrictions placed on an employee by USA Gymnastics or the U.S. Center for SafeSport and Abide by the list of persons declared permanently ineligible for membership in USA Gymnastics.

### 3. What you, as a parent or guardian, can do in protecting your child.

- Ask** to see your gym about its Safe Sport policies
- Review** with your child the signs of grooming
- Talk** with your child about recognizing misconduct
- Empower** your child to speak up
- Take** the Center for SafeSport's course "[Parents Guide to Misconduct in Sport and Youth Athlete Training](#)" to better understand misconduct in sport.

### Make A Report

If child abuse is occurring, call 911 immediately. If you suspect or know of child abuse, call local police and child services immediately. Once reported to law enforcement, make a report to the U.S. Center for SafeSport.

**To report sexual misconduct:** If you suspect or know of sexual misconduct, contact the U.S. Center for SafeSport immediately. If the sexual misconduct involves, or may involve, a minor, you must also report it to law enforcement immediately. Contact the Center online: [safesport.org/report-a-concern](https://safesport.org/report-a-concern). By phone: 720.524.5640.

**To report non-sexual misconduct to USA Gymnastics:** Report all forms of non-sexual misconduct (including physical misconduct; verbal/emotional misconduct; bullying; hazing; and harassment) to USA Gymnastics. Online: [usagym.org/safesport](https://usagym.org/safesport). Hotline: 833.844.SAFE (7233). Email: [safesport@usagym.org](mailto:safesport@usagym.org)

USA Gymnastics mandates that all Adult Participants follow state and federal laws governing the reporting of child abuse. If you are 18 years of age or older and are subject to USA Gymnastics Safe Sport policy, you are required to report all instances of possible child abuse or neglect to law enforcement, state child services, and the U.S. Center for SafeSport.

Parent/Guardian initial here to acknowledge that you have received and read the information the above regarding understanding the USA Gymnastics' Safe Sport Policy.

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## MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

This Membership Application expressly incorporates the Terms and Conditions for Individual Membership, available at [usagym.org/indterms](http://usagym.org/indterms). By applying for membership, I verify that:

- I have read, fully understand, and agree to the Terms and Conditions, including but not limited to the Waiver, Indemnity and Release contained therein;
- I acknowledge and agree that I will not be granted membership until I am in complete compliance with the Terms and Conditions, including but not limited to any applicable background check or Safe Sport Policy requirements; and
- I understand that the membership fee submitted with this application is non-refundable.

For Parents/Guardians of Minor Applicants (Under Age 18 at Time of Application)

I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian, with legal responsibility for the named applicant for membership. I understand that USA Gymnastics is relying on the representations and certifications I have made on behalf of my minor child. I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless USA Gymnastics from and against any and all claims, liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses (including, actual attorneys' fees and costs) arising out of or in connection with any misrepresentation made by me.

I hereby verify by my signature below that I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT and provide ACCEPTANCE OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

\*Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Athlete Member Benefits

Athlete members receive a variety of benefits which include the membership card, the right to compete in USA Gymnastics sanctioned events, and secondary insurance coverage when participating in USA Gymnastics sanctioned competitions.

### Athlete Membership Payment Details

The athlete membership is valid for one competitive season, August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022.  
The non-refundable/non-transferable membership fee is \$25.00.

**Return completed form and payment to:** USA Gymnastics, 1099 N. Meridian St., Ste. 800, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Attention: Member Services

**QUESTIONS?** Contact the Member Services Department at 800.345.4719 or [membership@usagym.org](mailto:membership@usagym.org) with any questions or concerns.

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Cardholder Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email (for receipt) \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$25** - Make check payable to USA Gymnastics. If faxing/mailing the request form, please allow 2-3 weeks from the date the form is received for processing. Please return forms: 1099 N. Meridian St., Ste. 800 • Indianapolis, IN 46204 or fax 317.732.1791 or register online - [www.usagym.org](http://www.usagym.org).

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Payment Amt	_____
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Approval	_____
By	_____ Other _____

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