

# Las Vegas Figure Skating Club

## 2017-2018 Membership Application

A full application is needed for each member. Pages five through twelve are for your records and do not need to be submitted.

### Applicant Information

*Please Print Clearly*

### Application Type

*Membership (Circle One)*

Date:	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSFER <input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL
Last Name:	
First Name:	
Middle Name:	
Birthdate:	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> MALE
USFS #:	
Home Club if other than LVFSC: (associate membership)	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Home Phone #:	Cell Phone #:
E-mail address:	

<b>Junior</b> (primary individual 17 years or younger and mandatory parent/guardian individual)	\$135.00
<b>Senior</b> (primary individual 18 years or older)	\$115.00
<b>Additional Family Members</b> (any age)	\$35.00
<b>Associate</b> (Non-Home Club Member)	\$30.00
<b>Professional</b> (professional skater or coach)	\$80.00
<b>Honorary</b> (per board approval)	Waived
<b>Introductory Basic Skill</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> year membership for individual coming from a Basic Skills program, includes parent/guardian for individual 17 years or younger)	\$80.00
<b>Four (4) year collegiate membership</b> has its own packet; do not use this packet for collegiate membership	
<b>PLEASE NOTE: Regular processing of membership takes 10 days. Any membership that needs to be expedited in less than 10 days will incur a \$50.00 processing fee.</b>	

### Parent Information for Junior Members MANDATORY FOR PRIMARY SKATERS 17 YEARS OR YOUNGER

Date:	<input type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSFER <input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL
Last Name:	
First Name:	
Middle Name:	
Birthdate:	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/> MALE
USFS #:	
Home Phone #:	Parents Cell #:
Parents E-mail address:	
Address if Different from above:	

### Consent for Medical Attention

I certify that I, the member, or I, the parent/guardian of said participant, give my consent to the Las Vegas Figure Skating Club and the facility the activities are taking place in and their staff and to members of the Las Vegas Figure Skating Club, their Board of Directors and volunteers to obtain medical care from any licensed physician, hospital or clinic, including transportation and emergency medical services, for myself/ourselves and/or said participant for any injury that could arise from participation in these activities.

YES  NO

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (if minor than parent/guardian signature)      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

## Waiver & Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk & Indemnity Agreement

In consideration of participating in Las Vegas Figure Skating Club activities, I represent that I understand the nature of figure skating activities ("activity") and that I am qualified, in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in such "activity". I acknowledge that if I believe event conditions are unsafe, I will immediately discontinue participation in the "activity".

I fully understand that this "activity" involves risks of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death, which may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others participating in the "activity", the conditions in which the "activity" takes place, or the negligence of the "releases" named below; and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation in the "activity".

I (We), the member(s) and/or the parent(s)/guardian(s) of member children do hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue the Las Vegas Figure Skating Club, United States Figure Skating, it's directors, officers, administrators, sponsors, volunteers, agents, employees, staff, instructors, trainers, other participants and if applicable, owners and leasers of premises on which the "activity" takes place (each considered one of the "Releases" herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the "releases" or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release, waiver of liability, and assumption of risk, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releases, I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the releases from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

The Las Vegas Figure Skating Club has the right, but not the obligation, to provide rules, regulations and/or ice monitors for Club Ice. We hereby acknowledge that the Las Vegas Figure Skating Club shall not be responsible for the supervision of the members at Club Ice.

I have read this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid, the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (if minor than parent/guardian signature) Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

## Parental Consent & Indemnification

I, the minor's parent and/or legal guardian, understand the nature of the above referenced activities and the minor's experience and capabilities and believe the minor to be qualified to participate in such "activity". I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue and AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releases from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on the minor's account caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releases or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations, and further agree that if, despite this release, I, the minor, or anyone on the minor's behalf makes a claims against any of the above Releases, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releases from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss liability, damage, or cost any Releases may incur as the result of any such claim.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (if minor than parent/guardian signature) Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

## Media Release

I give permission to Las Vegas Figure Skating Club to use MY or MY CHILD'S name and likeness in photographs and/or video, etc. in all media, for use in Club business, such as website, directory, brochures, local media coverage, and other such purposes. Notification will be given before any information is given for local media coverage. Such purpose, however, shall not include any commercial endeavors.

YES  NO

Membership packet must be returned completed by all membership applicants. Membership Application packet **WILL NOT** be processed until every section of the packet is complete, including fees, and received by the membership chair.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LAS VEGAS FIGURE SKATING CLUB (LVFSC)

RETURN TO:

Las Vegas Figure Skating Club

P.O. Box 570531

Las Vegas, NV. 89157-0531

Or hand deliver to Membership Chair, Marisa Martin VicePresident@lasvegasfsc.com.

**Office Use Only**

**Total Amount Paid** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Received** \_\_\_\_\_ **Initials** \_\_\_\_\_

**Info passed to fundraiser coordinator** \_\_\_\_\_

## Las Vegas Figure Skating Club Code of Conduct Agreement Form

Every Las Vegas Figure Skating Club member, skater, parent, board member and coach is expected to be familiar with the SafeSport Program. Please read pages 5-11 before signing the appropriate section of this form (members do **not** need a coach's signature). The full US Figure Skating SafeSport handbook can be found at the following web address: <http://www.usfsa.org/clubs?id=84197>.

### Skater/Member

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (member's name), have read the Code of Conduct and agree to uphold all guidelines and tenets of this document.

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Skater's signature if 18 years or older Date

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Parent's of Legal Guardian's signature if under 18 years of age Date

### Parent/Legal Guardian

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name), have read the Code of Conduct and agree to uphold all guidelines and tenets of this document.

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Signature Date

### Member Coaches

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (name), have read the Code of Conduct and agree to uphold all guidelines and tenets of this document.

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Signature Date

## **SafeSport Program**

This year the Las Vegas Figure Skating Club will be implementing the US Figure Skating SafeSport Program.

U.S. Figure Skating and Las Vegas Figure Skating Club are committed to providing a safe and positive environment for its participants' physical, emotional and social development and ensuring it promotes an environment free from abuse and misconduct. As part of this program, U.S. Figure Skating has implemented policies to address certain types of abuse and misconduct, and to reduce, monitor and govern areas where potential abuse and misconduct could occur.

Policies are in place to address the following types of abuse and misconduct:

- Bullying
- Harassment
- Hazing
- Emotional abuse
- Physical abuse
- Sexual misconduct, including child sexual abuse
- Willfully tolerating misconduct

All U.S. Figure Skating/Las Vegas Figure Skating Club members shall familiarize themselves with each form of abuse and misconduct and shall refrain from engaging in such misconduct and/or violating any of these policies.

In the event that any U.S. Figure Skating member, club volunteer, official or staff observe inappropriate behaviors (i .e., policy violations), suspected physical or sexual abuse, or any other type of abuse or misconduct, it is the personal responsibility of each such person to immediately report their observations to Las Vegas Figure Skating Club SafeSport Chair Marisa Martin [VicePresident@lasvegasfsc.com](mailto:VicePresident@lasvegasfsc.com).

In addition to reporting within U.S. Figure Skating, U.S. Figure Skating members and staff must also report suspected child physical or sexual abuse to appropriate law enforcement authorities as required under U.S. Figure Skating rules and under applicable law. One should not attempt to evaluate the credibility or validity of child physical or sexual abuse allegations as a condition for reporting to appropriate law enforcement authorities.

## Skater Code of Conduct

This Skater Code of Conduct has been established to ensure the safety of all members using our ice to ensure quality practice time for all home club members, associate members, non-members and guests who purchase ice from the club and who participate in all club-related activities.

All skaters, regardless of whether they hold home club, associate, non-member or guest status must follow and uphold the tenets in this Skater Code of Conduct regarding behavior on and off the ice. All club members are expected to exhibit good sportsmanship and be courteous toward their fellow skaters, coaches, parents of skaters, U.S. Figure Skating officials and guests.

The following code of conduct applies to all participants in activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating including but not limited to competitions, exhibitions and training camps. By signing the Code of Conduct Agreement Form, I am stating the following:

I recognize that my participation in all activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating, including but not limited to competitions, exhibitions and training camps, is an honor and privilege that carries certain responsibilities. I agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by U.S. Figure Skating and Las Vegas Figure Skating Club. As a precondition to participation in activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating, I will adhere to the following tenets in good faith.

- I will exhibit the highest standards of fairness, ethical behavior and genuine good sportsmanship in all of my relations with others both on and off the ice, including on social media.
- I will not damage public or private property. I understand that I may be held financially responsible for damage deemed to be wantonly or willfully executed on my part, and that I may be subject to disciplinary action by U.S. Figure Skating and/or Las Vegas Figure Skating Club.
- I will not use or possess illegal drugs, and I will not engage in criminal activity. I understand that, if I am found to use or possess illegal drugs, or if I am found to engage in any criminal activity during any activity hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating and/or Las Vegas Figure Skating Club, I may be subject to criminal penalties as well as penalties imposed by U.S. Figure Skating and/or Las Vegas Figure Skating Club.
- I will adhere to the rules of U.S. Figure Skating, Las Vegas Figure Skating Club and the host organization at all activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating and/or Las Vegas Figure Skating Club.
- I will comply with all applicable anti-doping rules including, but not limited to, ISU and USADA anti-doping rules.
- I will conduct myself in a manner not detrimental to the welfare of figure skating. I understand that my actions reflect on U.S. Figure Skating and Las Vegas Figure Skating Club and the sport of figure skating both positively and negatively. I understand that if my acts, statements, or conduct are considered detrimental to the welfare of figure skating by the appropriate authority, I may be subject to penalties imposed by U.S. Figure Skating and/or Las Vegas Figure Skating Club pursuant to GR 1.04.
- I understand that the penalties that may be imposed may include, but are not limited to, loss of future international selections, loss of financial support from U.S. Figure Skating and its Memorial Fund, and loss of participation in activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating and Las Vegas Figure Skating Club.
- I understand that all disciplinary proceedings will be conducted pursuant to Article XXV, Section 3, of the U.S. Figure Skating bylaws, and that my rights and remedies are derived therefrom.

## **Ice Etiquette and Safety**

1. While in lesson or practice, it is the skater's responsibility to always be conscientious and aware of other skaters around them.
2. Skaters must skate with the flow of other skaters and familiarize themselves with the most commonly used areas for jumps and spins.
3. The only time a skater has the sole right of way is when they are skating their program to music. When you hear another member's music, please extend that person the courtesy and move out of their path momentarily. This only takes a moment and you will enjoy the same courtesy while you are performing your program.
4. Advanced skaters are expected to exhibit patience toward beginner members of the club. Remember, you were an inexperienced skater once, and it takes time for our future generation to advance to the point where they are completely comfortable skating with all levels of skaters.

Unsafe or discourteous behavior of any kind will not be tolerated.

For more information on ice usage and etiquette guidelines, refer to the SafeSport handbook available here: <http://www.usfsa.org/content/safesport%20handbook.pdf>.

## Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct

By signing the Code of Conduct Agreement Form, I am stating the following:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by my actions, demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches, and officials at every practice, competition and test session.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well-being of my child and others ahead of my desire to win.
3. I will encourage my child to skate in a safe and healthy environment by maintaining a respectful and courteous attitude to others.
4. I will promptly inform my child's coach of any physical/ mental disability or challenge affecting my child that may affect the safety of my child or others.
5. I will teach my child that doing his/her best is more important than winning.
6. I will not ridicule, bully, blame, or yell at my child or other skaters, coaches, officials or volunteers in response to a poor performance or for any other reason.
7. I will endeavor to make skating fun at all times and will remember that my child participates in sports for his/her own enjoyment and satisfaction.
8. I will teach my child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans, volunteers, officials, and rink staff with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation or ability. I will also take action and report any acts of bullying, harassment or abuse to the appropriate authorities.
9. I will applaud any effort in both victory and defeat emphasizing positive accomplishments and learning from mistakes.
10. I will teach my child to resolve conflicts calmly and peacefully without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. I will be a positive role model for my child and others.
12. I will demand a figure skating environment for my child that is free of drug or alcohol abuse and agree that I will not use or provide to a third-party any illegal drug prohibited by applicable federal, state, or municipal law.
13. I will not assist or condone any athlete's use of a banned substance as described by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee, or U .S. Figure Skating, or, in case of athletes, to use such drugs or refuse to submit to properly conducted drug tests administered by one of these organizations.
14. I will expect my child's coach to be in compliance with all requirements of U .S. Figure Skating and the Professional Skaters Association, to continue their education and training through programs offered by U .S. Figure Skating, the Professional Skaters Association and other accredited organizations.
15. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from sideline coaching my child or other skaters.



## **Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct (cont.)**

16. I agree to educate myself regarding the proper procedures to follow when establishing or terminating the coaching relationship and refrain from third-party solicitation as outlined on the PSA website.

17. I will respect the decisions of officials, their authority and decisions during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do the same.

18. I will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials. I will fulfill my responsibility to help my club with membership, special projects, competitions and test sessions.

19. I will become familiar with the rules of the U.S. Figure Skating and teach my child accordingly.

20. I will support and respect all skaters and their right to participate.

## Coach Code of Ethics, Standards and Conduct

It is the individual responsibility of each coach to aspire to the highest possible standards of conduct. Above all, coaches of young people can have great influence on developing athletes who are reliant on these coaches for the basic instruction and guidance necessary to reach the top levels. Coaches can have tremendous power over these athletes in their quest to the top. This power must not be abused. Therefore, we have set forth these codes of ethics and conduct to guide our coaches and protect our athletes for the mutual benefit of all concerned.

By signing the Code of Conduct Agreement Form, I am stating I understand that as a U.S. Figure Skating member coach, I have assumed certain responsibilities to prepare develop and be an advocate and role model. I agree to the Coach Code of Conduct, have read the Coach Code of Conduct and understand what is expected of me.

### General Principles

- **Competence:** Coaches must strive to maintain high standards of excellence in their work. They should recognize the boundaries of their particular competencies and the limitations of their expertise. They should provide only those services and use only those techniques for which they are qualified by education, training and/ or experience. In those areas, where recognized professional standards do not yet exist, coaches must exercise careful judgment and take appropriate precautions to protect the welfare of those with whom they work. They shall maintain knowledge of relevant scientific and professional information related to the services they render, and they must recognize the need for ongoing education. Coaches should make appropriate use of scientific, professional, technical and administrative resources.

- **Integrity:** Coaches should seek to promote integrity in their coaching profession. Coaches should always be honest, fair and respectful of others. They must not make representations about their qualifications, services, products, or fees that are false, misleading or deceptive. Coaches should strive to be aware of their own belief systems, values, needs and limitations and the effect of these on their work. To the extent feasible, they should attempt to clarify for relevant parties, the roles they are performing and to function appropriately in accordance with those roles. Coaches must avoid conflicts of interest.

- **Professional Responsibility:** Coaches must uphold professional standards of conduct, clarify their professional roles and obligations, accept appropriate responsibility for their behavior, and adapt their methods to the needs of different athletes. Coaches should consult with, refer to, or cooperate with other professionals and institutions to the extent needed to serve the best interest of their athletes, or other recipients of their services. Coaches should be concerned about the ethical compliance of their colleagues' conduct. When appropriate, they should consult with their colleagues in order to prevent or avoid unethical conduct.

- **Respect for Participants and Dignity:** Coaches shall respect the fundamental rights, dignity and worth of all participants. Coaches must be aware of cultural, individual and role differences, including those due to age, gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, disability, language and socioeconomic status.

Coaches must eliminate the effect on their work of biases based on those factors, and they do not knowingly participate in or condone unfair discriminatory practices.

## Coach Code of Ethics, Standards and Conduct (cont.)

- **Concern for Others Welfare:** In their actions, coaches must consider the welfare and rights of their athletes and other participants. When conflicts occur among coaches' obligations or concerns, they should attempt to resolve these conflicts and to perform their roles in a responsible fashion that avoids or minimizes harm. Coaches shall be sensitive to differences in power between themselves and others, and should not exploit nor mislead other people during or after their relationship.
- **Responsible Coaching:** Coaches must be aware of their ethical responsibility to the community and the society in which they work and live. Coaches must comply with the law and encourage the development of law and policies that serve the interest of sport or activity. The coach shall strive to serve as a leader and model in the development of appropriate conduct for the athlete both within and beyond the U.S. Figure Skating setting. The coach shall strive to use strategies in practice and competition that are designed to encourage play within the letter and spirit of the rules. The coach shall strive to keep the concepts of winning and losing in proper perspective. The coach shall strive to enforce policies and rules with fairness, consistency and an appreciation for individual differences.

### Ethical Standards

- **Compliance with Rule Requirements:** All coaches must complete all annual coaching member requirements set forth by U.S. Figure Skating Rules and the PSA that apply to them by the appropriate deadlines.
- **Competence:** Coaches should not undertake these duties until they have first obtained the proper training, study and advice that they are competent to do so.
- **Maintaining Expertise:** Coaches should maintain a level of expertise through continued education and experience and shall strive to acquire additional education and experience through sources available to them.
- **Respecting Others:** Coaches shall respect the rights of other's values, opinions and beliefs even if they differ from their own.
- **Nondiscrimination:** Coaches must not engage in discrimination based upon age, gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, disability, language, socioeconomic status, or any other basis as proscribed by law.
- **Sexual Harassment:** Coaches must not, under any circumstances, engage in sexual harassment which includes solicitation, physical advances, verbal or non-verbal conduct which is sexual in nature and will respond to complaints of such a nature to respondents with dignity and respect.
- **Personal Problems or Conflicts:** Coaches should have a responsibility to be aware if there are personal problems or conflicts which may affect their ability to work with athletes. They should also be able to identify problems affecting their athletes, which could potentially create situations that place their athletes in harm or danger of injury and take the appropriate steps to remove the athlete from this environment.

Further, any person who makes groundless allegations or complaints of abuse or harassment may be subject to disciplinary action per Article XXV, Section 3B, of the U.S. Figure Skating bylaws.