

2011-2012 Membership Renewal

Skaters, Parents, Coaches, Officials and Friends of Skating:

It is time to renew your membership for the 2011-2012 skating season. The new membership year begins July 1, 2011 and ends on June 30, 2012. All members wishing to renew their membership are required to complete a membership application and volunteer form. Parents with skaters under the age of 18 must sign the parent code of conduct.

The dues for an individual senior membership, junior/senior membership package, additional junior member, additional senior member, and the subsequent year introductory junior membership have increased. The 2011 Governing Council ratified the action of the U.S. Figure Skating Board of Directors to increase membership dues for the first family member and subsequent member effective July 1, 2011. The increase to the above membership levels reflects the increase by U.S. Figure Skating.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF SOME CHANGES THIS YEAR. MEMBERSHIPS MUST BE RENEWED BEFORE JULY 1, 2011. IF YOUR MEMBERSHIP IS RENEWED AFTER JUNE 30, 2011, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY A \$20.00 LATE FEE. MEMBERSHIPS RENEWED AFTER JUNE 30, 2011 ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR COMPETITOR FUNDING.

ALSO NEW THIS YEAR IS THE CLUB'S VOLUNTEER POLICY. ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO FULFILL A VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT TO THE CLUB. THE VOLUNTEER POLICY IS ATTACHED TO THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION; PLEASE BE SURE TO READ THE VOLUNTEER POLICY. PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU FAIL TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE VOLUNTEER POLICY, YOUR MEMBERSHIP WILL NOT BE IN GOOD STANDING. MEMBERSHIPS NOT IN GOOD STANDING ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE COMPETITOR FUNDING AND ARE FLAGGED WITH U.S. FIGURE SKATING. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT, PLEASE ASK ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

Please complete one membership application per family, listing each member's name (list the skater(s) first) as you want it listed by USFSA for testing, competitions and mailings. Please provide all information requested. Be sure we have a current and correct e-mail address for you, as e-mail is the primary way we communicate with our members. Your e-mail is used for club communications only and will not be distributed to third-parties.

If you have questions regarding your membership level please refer to the chart attached to the membership application. If you still have questions, check with your coach or the Membership Chair. The introductory junior membership is only available to beginning skaters who have never been a member of USFSA (other than a Basic Skills member), have not taken any USFSA tests (other than Basic Skills), and will not be testing in the upcoming year. If you are currently an introductory junior member, you may remain an introductory junior member **as long as you are not planning to test in the upcoming year.** However, you must pay the subsequent year introductory junior member dues.

Memberships **must be renewed by June 30, 2011** in order to have test and competition applications certified and signed by a club officer after July 1, 2011. Test applications or competition entry forms will not be signed by a club officer if your membership has not been renewed. Officials must renew memberships to continue to judge or officiate at competitions or test sessions after July 1, 2011. Members who have not renewed their membership **by June 30, 2011 are not** eligible for competitor funding.

Ways to join or renew your membership with RMFSC:

1. Complete the membership renewal on-line.
2. Complete the PDF forms from the club's website (www.rmfc.org) online and print the completed form.
3. Print the PDF forms from the club's website (www.rmfc.org) and complete them by hand.
4. Completed forms and check payment can be placed in the locked box in the skater's locker room at the Ice Centre at the Promenade or mail to: Brenda Bowers, RMFSC Membership Chair, 6650 W. 98th Place, Westminster, CO 80021.
5. Credit card payment of dues can be made online at www.rmfc.org. There is a \$5.00 fee for each transaction.

The membership application, volunteer form and parent code of conduct (if applicable) must be completed and returned with your membership dues to renew or activate your membership. Incomplete or illegible forms or forms returned without payment cannot be processed and will delay submitting your membership to USFSA.

If you are transferring from another club, no transfer forms are necessary if you are joining RMFSC at the beginning of the membership year. Please indicate your previous club on the application form. If you are joining as an associate member, please include your home club on your application. Your home club membership must be current in order to be a RMFSC associate member.

Please notify the Membership Chair if your address or e-mail changes during the year so it can be updated on the club mailing list. Be sure to notify US Figure Skating of any address or e-mail changes as well. If you have any questions, you may contact me at membership@rmfc.org.

Thank you and good luck in the 2011-2012 skating season!!

Brenda Bowers
RMFSC Membership Chair

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN FIGURE SKATING CLUB
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
2011-2012 MEMBERSHIP YEAR**

NOTE: Skaters under 18 must join with an adult at the Junior/Senior membership level. Please complete all information requested. All waivers and forms must be signed and payment received in full before your membership application will be processed.

<input type="checkbox"/> Renewing Member <input type="checkbox"/> New Member <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member (Home Club)	
Family Last Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Transferring (Previous Home Club)
Mailing Address:	Home Phone: Work <input type="checkbox"/>/Cell Phone <input type="checkbox"/> (check one)
E-Mail Address: (To be used for club communication purposes only; will not be shared with third parties)	
Has any of this changed since last year's registration? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, please indicate <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Address <input type="checkbox"/> E-Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Work/Home/Cell Phone	

MEMBER INFORMATION: PLEASE PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION; LIST SKATER(S) FIRST; SEE CHART (ATTACHMENT A) TO DETERMINE MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Member Name		Birth date	USA Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
USFSA #	Membership Class	Check any that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Parent/Guardian, <input type="checkbox"/> Coach, <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive Skater, <input type="checkbox"/> Rec. Skater, <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Skater, <input type="checkbox"/> USFSA Official, <input type="checkbox"/> Synchro, <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate, <input type="checkbox"/> Club BOD	
Check one : Skater Parent	Current Freeskate Level	Primary Coach(es) Name, E-Mail & Phone	
Member Name		Birth date	USA Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
USFSA #	Membership Class	Check any that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Parent/Guardian, <input type="checkbox"/> Coach, <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive Skater, <input type="checkbox"/> Rec. Skater, <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Skater, <input type="checkbox"/> USFSA Official, <input type="checkbox"/> Synchro, <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate, <input type="checkbox"/> Club BOD	
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Check one : Skater Parent	Current Freeskate Level	Primary Coach(es) Name, E-Mail & Phone	

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP DESIRED (All memberships entitle members to participate in social events, club ice, club education and will be included in club e-mails). The membership year for all levels is June 30 through July 1 of each year. Fees are not prorated by US Figure Skating nor RMFSC. If you have questions regarding the correct membership level for you, please check with your coach or the Membership Chair.

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL	DUES	NUMBER	TOTAL DUES
Individual Senior (18 or older)			
Junior/Senior (One skater under the age of 18 and one parent; junior members must join with senior member)			
Additional Junior Member (from same family)			
Additional Senior Member (from same family)			
Collegiate Membership (1 st year)			
Collegiate Membership (Years 2, 3 and 4)			
Introductory Junior Membership (1 st time RMFSC & USFSA member. Does not require joining with Senior Member)			
Introductory Junior Membership (Subsequent years. Does not require joining with Senior Member)			
Associate Membership (Must be a current member in good standing with Home Club)			
Coach Membership (Must complete application)			
Official Membership (Must complete application)			
Honorary Membership (Must complete application)			
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP DUES			
LATE FEE (Add \$20.00 late fee if membership is renewed after June 30, 2011)			
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE (If paying by check, please make check payable to "RMFSC" (Returned checks are subject to a \$20.00 return check fee)			

I(we) understand that figure skating is a dangerous activity involving risk of serious injury and even death. Despite my(our) knowledge of said risks, and in consideration of being permitted to participate in RMFSC activities, I(we) expressly and voluntarily agree to assume such risks and to hold harmless and free from any liability, injury or loss whatsoever, the Rocky Mountain Figure Skating Club, Inc. ("RMFSC"), its officers, directors, members or agents.

I, the member, or I, the parent/legal guardian of my skater, give consent for emergency medical treatment by any licensed physician, hospital or clinic, including transportation for myself, ourselves and/or said participant for any injuries that may arise from participation in Club activities.

I have read, signed and agree to abide by U.S. Figure Skating's Parent Code of Conduct.

I agree to abide by and follow the rules established by The Ice Centre at the Promenade.

I understand that RMFSC is a volunteer organization whose primary existence is to encourage development of its members through educational and competitive programs. I have read the Volunteer Policy of RMFSC and agree to its terms. I understand that not abiding by the terms of the RMFSC Volunteer Policy will render my membership not in good standing.

I give consent for myself or my skater to be photographed during RMFSC functions or events and allow posting of pictures on the RMFSC website, programs, and documentation.

By the acceptance of membership I(we) agree to be bound by the bylaws and policies of RMFSC and agree to pay all membership fees as indicated on this application. I understand and acknowledge that in order for my membership to be in good standing, I must fulfill all of my(our) obligations to the Club.

All members over the age of 18 must sign the membership application.

Member's signature _____ Date _____
 (Signature of parent/guardian if skater is under 18 years of age)

Member's signature _____ Date _____
 (Signature of parent/guardian if skater is under 18 years of age)

**ATTACHMENT A
MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS AND OBLIGATIONS**

Membership Level	U.S. Figure Skating Registration	Skating Magazine Subscription	Able to Compete as RMFSC Member	Eligible to Test	Voting Rights (Over 18)	Able to Serve on Board	Number of Volunteer Hours Required
Individual Senior	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10
Junior + Senior Membership Package (1 adult and 1 junior member under 18 years of age from the same family; junior member MUST join with a senior member)	Yes	Yes, 1 st Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10
Additional Junior Member (under 18 years of age; from same family)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	10
Additional Senior Member (from same family; increases total membership, giving RMFSC more delegates to US Figure Skating)	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	10
Collegiate Membership (For members currently enrolled in college; not eligible for competitor funding, no voting rights)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	0
Introductory Junior – Initial and Subsequent Years (For beginning skaters who have not taken any US Figure Skating Test (other than basic skills); only available to skaters who have not tested or will not be testing in the current membership year)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	10
Associate (For skaters whose home club is not RMFSC but who wish to skate, test or teach on RMFSC sessions). Must be a member in good standing of another club)	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	0
Coach (For skating professionals; U.S. Figure Skating membership only. Must complete USFS registration and background check and CER requirements required for credentials at US Figure Skating competitions)	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	0
Official (For judges and other officials)	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	0
Honorary (For members recommended to the Club Board of Directors. Must be approved by the BOD.)							

U.S. Figure Skating Parents Code of Conduct

Codes of Conduct give everyone a guide to what is expected of us if we are part of an organization, participating in a sport, or as spectators at our child's events.

Preamble: The essential elements of character-building and ethics in sports are embodied in the concept of sportsmanship and six core principles: respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, trustworthiness and good citizenship. The highest potential of sports is achieved when competition reflects these "six pillars of character" (Arizona Sports Summit Accord)

By signing below I hereby agree that:

1. I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all skaters, coaches and officials at every practice session, competition and test session.
2. I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of my personal desire to win.
3. I will encourage my child to skate in a safe and healthy environment.
4. I will inform my child's coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
5. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the results of a competitive event.
6. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or blame my child's teammates for placement in a competition.
7. I will do my best to make skating fun and will remember that my child participates in sports for his/her own enjoyment and satisfaction, not mine.
8. I will ask my child to treat other skaters, coaches, fans and officials with respect, regardless of race, creed, color, sexual orientation or ability.
9. I will applaud a good effort in both victory and defeat emphasizing the positive accomplishments and learning from the mistakes.
10. I will teach my child to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility or violence.
11. I will be a positive role model for my child and other skaters.
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 drug prescribed by applicable federal, state or municipal law.

13. I will not assist or condone any competing athlete's use of a drug banned by the International Olympic Committee, International Skating Union, United States Olympic Committee or U.S. Figure Skating, or, in the 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 not provide alcohol to or condone the use of alcohol by minors, abuse alcohol in the presence of athlete members or at U.S. Figure Skating activities or, in the case of athletes, consume alcoholic beverages while a minor.
15. I will encourage my child's coach to continue their education and training through programs offered by U.S. Figure Skating, the Professional Skaters Association and other accredited organizations.
16. I will respect my child's coach and refrain from coaching my child or other skaters during competitions and practices because it may conflict with the coach's plan or strategies.
17. I will respect the decisions of officials and their authority during competitions and test sessions and teach my child to do likewise.
18. I will show appreciation and recognize the importance of volunteers and club officials.
19. I will study the rules of the U.S. Figure Skating and teach my child accordingly, so that we have an understanding and appreciation of the rules of competition and membership.
20. I will support all the opponents in my child's competition and respect the rights of all skaters to participate.

Signature _____

Date _____

Rocky Mountain Figure Skating Club
Volunteer Policy

Volunteer support is an essential part of our club, as our only source of revenue (other than a portion of the membership dues) is fundraising. Without the help and support of its members through volunteer hours contributed, it cannot perform its functions. To that end, beginning with the 2011/2012 membership year, RMFSC will be requiring a minimum of 10 volunteer hours per membership year for each skater. This requirement is subject to change in future years. The annual requirement will be recorded on the membership form each year.

The Volunteer Policy will be part of the Membership Packet and must be signed by each skater (or skater's representative) in order to initiate or renew membership. With the implementation of this policy we are looking to support our skaters more than ever and, over time, expand the club activities and benefits. We are excited to offer numerous volunteer opportunities that can be fulfilled from home or the rink. This list of opportunities can be found on-line or with your membership packet. Questions should be directed to the Volunteer Coordinator via email at: volunteers@rmfsc.org.

Collegiate and Associate members are not expected to fulfill this requirement but your help is always appreciated!

A tracking form will be included with your membership packet as well, and may be found on-line or in the locker room above the lock box. Members will be responsible for turning in their hours on a monthly basis. Hours will be tracked in 15-minute increments and must be verified by a committee chair or board member, prior to turning in the form. All volunteer hours must be performed by June 30th of the membership year.

If you sign up to volunteer, we will do everything in our power to give you the hours you applied for. However, if you are not needed and/or do not work those hours for some reason, they will not count.

If you do not fulfill your volunteer hours, you will be charged a flat fee of \$300/year. If you do not pay the fee, you will not remain in good standing with the club and will be flagged as such with USFS. This will result in your ineligibility for competitor funding, testing, competitions etc. If volunteer hours are not fulfilled, the \$300 fee will be due by June 30th of the membership year end. The fee will not be prorated for partial fulfillment of hours.

Members are encouraged to help as much as possible and we appreciate you keeping track of all hours, even after the minimum requirement is met. This not only helps to spread the work load and make fun, successful events, but it helps us to anticipate hours needed in future years.

We thank you in advance for your help and for being part of the team!

Rocky Mountain Figure Skating Club

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Volunteer Sheet

This is a great opportunity to be able to pick how you would like to help the club. Please check areas in which you would be willing to work. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and will go towards your volunteer requirements.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

(please print clearly)

Committee Chairs

(Check if you would be willing to lead one of these committees)

- Funtastics (April)**
(Coordinate with Mile High FSC volunteer requirements)
- Colorado Champs (August)**
(Coordinate with Mile High FSC volunteer requirements)
- Summer / Holiday Exhibitions**
(Coordinate ice schedule, announcer and volunteer needs)
- Ice Show**
(Lead committee to ensure everything is running according to plan for the show)
- Skate Swap (January / July)**
(Oversee sale of lightly used skating items)
- Fundraising (at least 2 a year)**
(Seek out fundraising opportunities and lead implementation of event(s))
- Hospitality for Testing (monthly)**
(Coordinate providing food / beverages to judges and skaters, along with set-up and take down.)
- Summer Picnic**
(Coordinate the annual Summer Picnic)
- Banquet (February)**
(Coordinate the annual RMFSC banquet)
- Volunteer Coordinator**
(Keep the volunteer list up-to-date with member volunteer interests, track member volunteer hours)
- Newsletter**
(Publish monthly newsletter)
- Public Relations**
(Publish skater accomplishments, coordinate with media for events)

Committee assistants

(Check if you would be willing to help on the following committees)

Volunteer spot is used for Funtastics and Colorado Champs

Summer / Holiday Exhibitions

- play music** **announcer**
- Ice Show (please circle all that apply)**
 - applications costumes girl scouts/RTD
 - learn-to-skate volunteers tickets
 - props lighting guest skater liason
- skate swap (please circle all that apply)**
 - check-in (make sure tags are on all items)
 - check out (make sure all items are picked up)
 - Set up/ take down
 - Monitor during sale (oversee things that are being tried on and bought)
- Fundraising**
- Hospitality for testing**
- Summer picnic**
- Banquet**
(please circle all that you would be willing to provide assistance to set-up)
 - venue band/DJ check-in
 - door prizes program
- Newsletter**
 - photographer write articles

Please tell us other skills or services you are willing to volunteer

- Accounting Marketing IT Other _____