



# INTRODUCTORY ATHLETE APPLICATION

August 1, 2009—July 31, 2010

Athlete membership registration fee is \$20 per athlete.

Clubs can save \$5 per athlete by registering online

**Note:** Normal processing time is 3-4 weeks from the date of receipt in our office. Please do not fax any form more than once. Duplicate faxes may result in duplicate charges to your credit card. When faxing groups of applications, please use a fax cover sheet indicating the total number of applications submitted. Rush processing guarantees membership number availability in our database and/or online membership search. If Rush processing, your membership will be available within three business days of receipt in our office. Same day turnaround on Rush processing requests cannot be guaranteed.

**RUSH**

I understand that there will be an additional \$25 fee for each application Rush processed. Maximum rush fee for groups of 5-20 submitted at the same time is \$100. Please allow 6-8 weeks for card delivery.

### Office Use Only

Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Rec'd Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Payment Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
Check Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Postmarked \_\_\_\_\_  
Approval \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Athlete Member Information** (all fields marked \* are REQUIRED)  **New Athlete Registration**  **Previous Athlete Member#** \_\_\_\_\_

\*First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date of Birth (MMDDYYYY) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_ \*City: \_\_\_\_\_ \*State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ \*Email: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Sex \_\_\_\_\_ \*Citizen: Yes No

### Club Information

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Club #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Athlete Program Information\*** (required — check and circle all that apply)

Men's Artistic Level 1 2 3     Women's Artistic Level 1 2 3 Prep Opt     Acrobatic Level 1 2 3  Rhythmic Level 1 2 3  
 Group Gymnastics / GymFest / TeamGym Level A Level B     Trampoline & Tumbling Level 1 2 3

### Introductory Athlete Member Agreement — ALL signatures are required for acceptance of membership

In consideration of my membership in the United States Gymnastics Federation (USA Gymnastics), and my participation in USA Gymnastics sanctioned events, I agree to be bound by each of the following:

**1. Readiness to Compete:** I will only participate in those USA Gymnastics competitions for which I believe I am physically and psychologically prepared to compete. Prior to participation in USA Gymnastics events, I will have practiced my exercises, and will perform only those exercises which I have accomplished to the degree of confidence necessary to assure I can perform them by myself, without injury.

**2. Medical Attention:** I hereby give my consent to USA Gymnastics and the Host Organization of any USA Gymnastics sanctioned event to provide, through a medical staff of its choice, customary medical/athletic training attention, transportation and emergency medical services as warranted in the course of my participation in USA Gymnastics sanctioned events.

**3. Waiver and Release:** I am fully aware of and appreciate the risks, including the

\*Signature of Gymnast: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Gymnast's Primary Medical Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Required for any athlete who is not yet 18 years old:** As parent or legal guardian of this athlete, I hereby verify by my signature below, that I fully understand and accept each of the conditions listed in the Athlete Membership Agreement for permitting my child to participate in any USA Gymnastics sanctioned event. I release the Released Parties from any claims, losses or damages arising from or in any way connected with my child's participation in the event, including losses or damages occurring as a result of the negligence of any one of the Released Parties, but not including claims, losses or damages occurring as a result of the intentional or reckless conduct of any one of the Released Parties. Whenever possible, both parents/guardians are required sign below, and the parent/guardian(s) should keep a copy of this form.

\*Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ in the state of \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Club Representative Signature —

I have checked this form and verify that all sections have been successfully completed and to the best of my knowledge are correct.

I understand that failure to complete any section will result in delayed processing of this form. I have a copy, or original (if processed online), of this form on file at my club.

\*Signature of Club Representative: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Information:** Memberships are NON-REFUNDABLE and NON-TRANSFERABLE. Athlete Membership registration fee is \$20 when submitting form via fax or mail. Full Payment required for processing. Please print clearly, and double check credit card information for accuracy. Enclose check payable to USA GYMNASTICS or provide credit card information:

\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email address for receipt: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Totals:

Registration Fee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rush Fee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Donation Total: \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Charge: \_\_\_\_\_

### **A Note to Parents/Guardians:**

1. Introductory Athlete Membership registration is available only through your club. A representative of your club must complete the application process. USA Gymnastics CANNOT accept Athlete Membership applications via telephone.
2. Introductory Athlete Membership registration dues function as an insurance premium for Secondary Accident Insurance at USA Gymnastics sanctioned events. Dues will not be pro-rated for late-season or delayed registration. See Benefits section for additional insurance information.
3. Introductory Athlete Membership is NON-refundable and NON-transferrable.
4. You can find additional membership information at USA Gymnastics online: <http://www.usa-gymnastics.org>

### **A Note to Clubs:**

1. Online registration is available only through your club. A representative of your club must complete this process. A copy of the original application must be kept on file at your club.
2. Membership cards are NOT available for Introductory Athlete Memberships
3. Allow a minimum of 6 weeks in advance of your first competition of the season for processing of your Introductory Athlete Member applications. Normal processing time is 3-4 weeks from the date of receipt in our office.
4. Athlete Memberships may NOT be registered by telephone since the signed Introductory Athlete Membership Agreement must be on file at the club and/or USA Gymnastics for membership to be valid.
5. If any required section of this form is not complete, the membership will be put into a pending status, and no membership benefits will be available until all requirements are fulfilled.

### **Introductory Athlete Membership Benefits —**

Introductory Athlete Membership is required prior to any gymnast taking part in a USA Gymnastics sanctioned event. Athlete Membership includes the following benefits:

1. Right to participate in USA Gymnastics sanctioned Women's Artistic, Rhythmic, Trampoline & Tumbling, and Acrobatic events at Levels 1, 2, 3 and Prep-Opt, Gymnastics for All, Gymfest A & B, and Team Gym events for which the athlete is qualified.
2. Insurance coverage of up to \$50,000 Secondary Accident Insurance (subject to deductible) if the following conditions are met:
  - A. Injury must occur during a USA Gymnastics sanctioned event.
  - B. Accident report must be filed by the coach, trainer, or other attendant immediately following any injury preventing the gymnast from full activity for 24 hours or more, regardless of whether immediate medical attention is given. (Meet Directors have accident report forms available at all sanctioned events).
  - C. The gymnast's club MUST have a fully signed Athlete Membership Application form (i.e. a copy of THIS form) on file at the club.
3. Membership cards are available to print online.

Mail or fax completed and signed application with \$20 payment to:

USA Gymnastics Member Services  
132 E. Washington St. Suite 700  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Clubs can save \$5 when they register Athletes online

If you are paying by credit card, you may fax your completed and signed application to

**317-692-5212**

Contact us at [membership@usa-gymnastics.org](mailto:membership@usa-gymnastics.org) or 800-345-4719

