

ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP

Section 3.1. Classes of Membership:

The Club shall be open to all individuals actively engaged in, or wishing to support and further the sport of amateur figure skating and in particular, the activities of the Kent Skating Club. Membership in the Club must be renewed annually. Membership is valid from July 1 through June 30 of each year.

Membership commences on the day a person completes a membership application and has paid in full all membership dues, as set forth by the Board of Directors. There shall be a probationary period of sixty (60) days for all new members during which time they will neither have the right to vote or hold office.

Membership to the Club is achieved by meeting the requirements of one of the following membership classifications and is subject to the criteria set forth in subsequent sections of this Article.

A. Full Skating Member:

Requirements:

A Full Member holds a USFSA number with the Kent Skating Club and recognizes the Club as his/her home club and is:

1. A senior figure skater, eighteen (18) years or older; or
2. A junior figure skater, seventeen (17) years or younger.

B. Full Supporting Member:

Requirements:

A Full Member holds a USFSA number with the Kent Skating Club and recognizes the Club as his/her home club and is:

1. A registered Special Olympian; or
2. A USFS official, judge, referee, or accountant; or
3. A non-skater, eighteen (18) years or older, who shows interest in and actively supports the Club.

Responsibilities:

In addition to membership dues, a Full Member must be an active supporter of the Club by:

1. Purchasing and skating on Club-sponsored ice sessions according to the requirements set forth by the Board of Directors; or
2. By providing in-kind service to the Club and/or USFS by volunteering their time and energy to support Club activities, ice carnivals, shows, competitions, or other similar Club and/or USFS events. A letter of Recognition, signed by a member of the Board of Directors and

submitted along with the membership application, must substantiate proof of in-kind service. USFS officials, judges, referees, or accountants are not required to substantiate in-kind service.

Voting Rights:

1. A Full Member, eighteen (18) years of age or older, has one (1) vote and may hold office with the Club.
2. A Full Member, seventeen (17) years of age or younger or a Special Olympian, is represented by a legal guardian. The representing legal guardian has one (1) vote and may hold office with the Club.

C. Associate Member:

An Associate Member is a skater who holds a USFS number with another figure skating club. An Associate Member may neither vote nor hold office.

D. Full Professional Member:

A Professional Member is a professional instructor who holds a USFS number and recognizes the Club as his/her home club, or is a Full Member of the Kent Skating Club. A Professional Member may vote and hold office with the Club.

E. Associate Professional Member:

An Associate Professional Member is a professional instructor who holds a USFS number and recognizes a Club other than Kent as his/her home club. An Associate Professional Member may not vote nor hold office with the Club.

F. Introductory Member:

A first year member may choose to be an Introductory Member. An Introductory Member is a skater who is not a member of any other figure skating club and meets the definition of membership for a Full Member, as defined in Section 1, A, of this Article. An Introductory Member has no vote and may not hold office. An introductory membership expires at the end of the skating season (June 1) in which he/she became a member. For the purpose of this membership category, a skating season begins on or about September 1 and runs through May 31 of the following year.

G. Collegiate Member:

A Collegiate Member is a skater who holds a USFS number with Kent Skating Club or another USFS club and is a full-time college student. A collegiate member who recognizes Kent Skating Club as their home club may vote and hold office with the Club pursuant to Club guidelines.

Section 3.2. Application for Membership:

Application for membership shall be submitted in writing by the candidate to the Membership chairperson. Club professionals must maintain membership in the USFS and Club. Application must be made annually. A copy of the Code of Regulations and By-Laws of the Club shall be made available to all prospective members upon application.

Section 3.3. Prospective Members and Guests:

A prospective Full Member may skate one (1) Club session at no cost and three (3) paid Club sessions before becoming a member. The session or sessions skated shall be at the discretion of a Club official or appointee. A prospective member who wishes to take advantage of the above shall be recommended by a Professional Member.

A Guest Skater must be a member of the USFS or ISI. Prospective new members and guest skaters must sign a waiver of liability before skating their first club session and must obtain a guest pass, which is issued by a member of the Board of Directors or their designated person, before skating subsequent sessions. A Club session for this purpose consists of freestyle and/or moves/dance.

Section 3.4. Arrearage of Dues and Restrictions:

Any member who is in arrears for Club dues or other indebtedness, shall within thirty (30) days after the due date have paid in full the delinquent amount plus any assessed penalties. A member more than thirty (30) days in arrears shall be ineligible to use the Club's facilities, to hold office, to be entitled to vote or to enter any USFS or Club tests or competitions, ice carnivals, shows or other similar Club events.

Delinquencies extending beyond thirty (30) days will result in the member's name being reported to the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall then notify the member in writing at his/her last known address of the arrearage and resultant restrictions. A member's dismissal from the ice may result in his/her sessions being sold.

Upon full payment of the arrearage and any associated penalties, the member may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, have membership privileges fully reinstated including those ice sessions not yet sold.

Section 3.5. Responsibility for Guests:

Members shall be responsible for the conduct and indebtedness of all persons admitted to the Club's property at their request.