



NAFSC Membership Handbook

July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

NAFSC Club Membership is a Dual Membership with U.S. Figure Skating

The North Atlantic Figure Skating Club (NAFSC) is a full member club of U.S. Figure Skating (USFSA), the national governing body for the sport. Individuals applying for home club membership with NAFSC are also enrolling as members of U.S. Figure Skating.

This combined membership opens the door to everything your skater may want to do—taking official tests, competing in events, and participating in ice shows and exhibitions. **You cannot take a U.S. Figure Skating test (skating skills or singles free skate) without a USFSA Membership.**

Skaters can belong to more than one club if it helps with scheduling or training. However, each skater has one “home club,” which is the club they represent at competitions, tests, and performances.

NAFSC home club dues include the cost of the U.S. Figure Skating membership. Each “First in Family” membership also includes a subscription to *SKATING*, U.S. Figure Skating’s monthly magazine.

All members are expected to follow the U.S. Figure Skating rules, as well as NAFSC policies, including our Code of Conduct and SafeSport (SkateSafe®) guidelines, which help ensure a safe and respectful environment for all skaters.

At the end of this handbook, there are links to all policies and procedures. Please review all materials carefully, including the Membership Agreement, prior to applying for membership. By submitting your application, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to abide by the terms of the Membership Agreement, as well as all additional policies and procedures..

What is U.S. Figure Skating?

U.S. Figure Skating is the national governing body for figure skating in the United States. Founded in 1921, it includes hundreds of clubs and thousands of members nationwide and is a member of the International Skating Union (ISU), which oversees international competitions such as the World Championships and Olympic Games. NAFSC has been a full member club since 2000. The U.S. Figure Skating Rulebook outlines the rules and bylaws that govern the sport and is available online through the U.S. Figure Skating website under “About” → “Rules and Bylaws,” where it can be viewed, downloaded, or printed for reference.

Why Join NAFSC?

NAFSC is more than just ice time—it’s a supportive community where skaters can grow, set goals, and build confidence both on and off the ice. We are committed to providing a safe, positive environment where every skater—from beginner to advanced—can thrive. In addition to freestyle ice sessions, NAFSC offers:

- Test sessions to track progress
- Clinics and training opportunities
- A summer skating program
- Learn to Skate programs for beginners
- Exhibitions and a full-scale annual ice show
- Discounted freestyle ice sessions

Can I join USFSA directly and not through NAFSC?

Yes, you can join the USFSA directly. However, NAFSC club members also have special opportunities, including:

- Eligibility for solos and featured roles in the ice show
- Recognition at qualifying competition send-off events
- Participation in club exhibitions
- Discounts on Freestyle Ice
- Ability to purchase discounted ice credits in bulk

Where is NAFSC's Home Rink?

NAFSC's home rink is the Family Ice Center in Falmouth, Maine. The facility is open year-round and includes a full indoor rink as well as a seasonal outdoor rink during the winter months.

Important Notes About NAFSC Membership

We want families to clearly understand how membership works so there are no surprises. Please review the following:

- **Membership Approval.** Submitting an application and payment does not automatically guarantee membership. NAFSC welcomes members who support our mission and values. ***In rare cases, membership may be declined if it is not in the best interest of the club or its members.*** If this happens, individuals or families may request a review by submitting a written request to the NAFSC President within 30 days. NAFSC does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, age, gender, or national origin.
- **When Membership Becomes Active.** Membership privileges—including freestyle ice access, testing, and competition eligibility—begin only after dues are paid and membership has been fully approved and processed by both NAFSC and U.S. Figure Skating. *This can take up to 2 weeks so please keep this in mind when applying.*
- **Club Fees and Fundraising.** Membership dues help cover a portion of the club's operating costs, but they do not cover everything. From time to time, additional fees or fundraising efforts may be needed to support club programs and events.
- **Timely Payments.** All dues and bills must be paid on time. Unpaid balances may result in loss of club privileges and may make a skater ineligible for testing or competitions that require members to be in "good standing."
- **Volunteer Requirement.** NAFSC is a volunteer-supported organization. Most membership types (including skaters, coaches, alumni, and non-skating members) are required to complete volunteer hours between July 1 and June 26. Please review the Volunteer Handbook for details on required hours and how to submit them. Deadlines are enforced, and incomplete hours may result in a fee.
- **Membership Status.** NAFSC reserves the right to suspend or terminate membership in accordance with club policies and bylaws.

Home Club Membership Options

Home club members choose NAFSC as their primary club and represent NAFSC at all tests, competitions, and performances.

Members aged 18 and older have additional privileges, including the ability to vote at club meetings, serve in leadership roles (based on bylaws), and represent NAFSC at U.S. Figure Skating's Governing Council.

NAFSC uses RinkMusic for freestyle sessions. Each home club skater receives one free tag. Replacement tags are \$10. RinkMusic also requires a separate annual subscription through their website.

Skater Memberships

Skater Membership (Under 18) & Adult Skater Membership (18+): These are full memberships that allow skaters to:

- Take U.S. Figure Skating tests
- Compete in sanctioned and qualifying events
- Participate in NAFSC shows and exhibitions (eligible for solos and features in the annual ice show)
- Discounted freestyle ice sessions
- Option to pre-purchase discounted ice credits in bulk or enroll in a monthly subscription
- **Ice credit purchases are a separate transaction from membership enrollment**

Introductory Skater Membership (Under 18): This is a one-year, discounted membership for first-time U.S. Figure Skating members. It offers the same opportunities as full membership above, including testing, competitions, and participation in shows and exhibitions. It's designed as an easy entry point into the sport.

Collegiate Membership: This is a one-time, four-year membership for skaters currently enrolled in a college or graduate program. Proof of enrollment is required. Collegiate members may participate in club shows, exhibitions, and receive freestyle ice discounts, including eligibility for solos and featured roles.

Parent & Family Membership

Parent/Legal Guardian Membership: If a skater under 18 designates NAFSC as their home club, one parent or legal guardian is required to become a member. Additional parent/guardian memberships may also be added.

Other Membership Types

Coach Membership: Coaches who designate NAFSC as their home club must provide proof of compliance and insurance when requested.

Alumni Membership: A non-skating membership for former skaters, parents, or members who want to stay connected, support the club, and receive updates.

Associate Membership: Associate membership is for skaters who have a different home club or hold an individual U.S. Figure Skating membership. Associate members do not have voting rights and cannot represent NAFSC at the U.S. Figure Skating Governing Council. Please note:

- U.S. Figure Skating membership is not included
- Associate members receive discounted freestyle ice
- They can participate in the annual ice show - but are not eligible for solos / featured roles.
- Participation in exhibitions by invitation

*****For Coaches: Associate coaches must provide proof of compliance and insurance if requested. Coaching on NAFSC freestyle ice requires an additional fee, which may be adjusted as needed.

Changing Your Home Club

If you are currently a member of another U.S. Figure Skating club and would like to switch your home club to NAFSC, please contact:

membership@northatlanticfigureskating.org



2026-2027 NAFSC MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENT



All skaters under 18 must have a parent/guardian associated with their membership, which is included in the membership fee. Additional parent/guardians can be added for \$35.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	AGE	COST
 SKATER (includes 1 parent/guardian)	Under 18	\$350
 ADDITIONAL SKATER (includes 1 parent/guardian)	Under 18	\$225
 *INTRODUCTORY SKATER (includes 1 parent/guardian)	Under 18	\$215
 *ADDITIONAL INTRODUCTORY SKATER (includes 1 parent/guardian)	Under 18	\$120
 ADULT SKATER	18+	\$215
 COLLEGIATE	Under 18	\$250
	18+	\$215
 COACH	18+	\$215
 ALUMNI	18+	\$100
 ASSOCIATE	18+	\$150

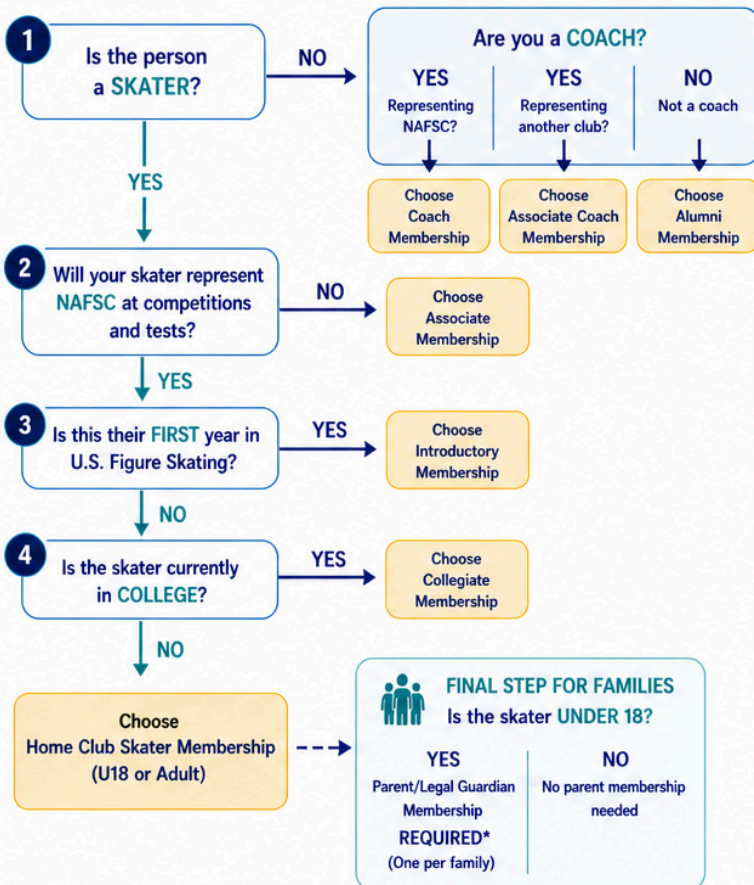
**Introductory membership is only available to skaters who have not previously had a US Figure Skating Membership.*



WHICH MEMBERSHIP

Is Right for Me? ❄️

Follow the steps below to find the membership that's right for you!



* Volunteer hours are per family, not per member.

MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON CHART

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	WHO IT'S FOR	USFS MEMBERSHIP INCLUDED	TEST & COMPETE	ICE SHOW PARTICIPATION (Shows & Exhibitions)	SOLO / FEATURE ELIGIBLE	FREESTYLE DISCOUNTS	VOTING RIGHTS (18+)	VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENT*	ADDITIONAL NOTES
Home Club Skater (U18 or Adult)	Skaters choosing NAFSC as their home club	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6 HOURS	Full membership with all skater benefits and voting rights (18+).
Introductory Skater (U18)	First-time U.S. Figure Skating members (1 year only)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	6 HOURS	Discounted first-year membership with full skater benefits.
Collegiate	College/grad students (4-year option)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	0 HOURS	Requires proof of college enrollment. Full skater benefits.
Associate Skater	Skaters with another home club	—	✓ (via home club)	✓	—	✓	—	0 HOURS	Not eligible for solo/feature or voting rights.
Parent/Guardian	One (1) required for each skater under 18	—	—	—	—	—	✓	0 HOURS	Additional parent/guardian memberships may be purchased.
Coach (Home Club)	Coaches choosing NAFSC as their home club	✓	N/A	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	2 HOURS	Must provide proof of compliance and insurance, upon request.
Associate Coach	Coaches with another home club	—	N/A	✓ (by invitation)	N/A	N/A	—	2 HOURS	Must provide proof of compliance and insurance, upon request. Fee to coach on NAFSC freestyle ice.
Alumni	Former skaters, parents/guardians or members	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 HOURS	Non-skating membership to support the club.



IMPORTANT TO KNOW

- U.S. Figure Skating membership (USFS) is included only with Home Club Skater, Introductory Skater, Collegiate, and Coach (Home Club) memberships.
- All memberships are subject to NAFSC bylaws and policies.
- All members are expected to follow NAFSC policies, the Code of Conduct, and U.S. Figure Skating's SkateSafe® guidelines.
- Questions? Contact us at membership@northatlanticfigureskating.org



NAFSC CLUB LINKS

[U.S. Figure Skating](#)

[NAFSC Website](#)

[NAFSC Bylaws](#)

[Conflict Resolution Policy](#)

[Code of Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures](#)

[Locker Room Policy](#)

[Refund Policy](#)

[Collections Policy](#)

[Jump Harness Policy](#)

[Membership Agreement](#)

[Parent Code of Conduct](#)

[Coaches Code of Conduct](#)

[Skate Safe and Member Code of Conduct](#)

[Volunteer Policy and Procedures](#)