

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Club Minimum Standards

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Club Membership Requirements

Ensure those in a position of authority over or in regular contact with athletes are members at a level which triggers background screening and SafeSport training. This includes board members, staff, adult athletes, and volunteers.

All club coaches, regardless of participation in U.S. Ski & Snowboard events, must be members.

Club must provide a list of board members for auditing purposes.

Approved Exemptions: See club applications for further details.

Board members of 501(c)(3) Foundation or Booster Clubs that are separate from Member Clubs and would not be considered an LAO because they do not have any role in managing or delivering programs or have any In-Program Contact (as defined below);

Educators at schools, colleges, and universities where their roles are independent of athletic programs associated with U.S. Ski & Snowboard and/or a Member Club and do not have any In-Program Contact (as defined below).

Management/Leadership over resort operations where their roles are independent of athletic competition programs with U.S. Ski & Snowboard and Member Clubs and do not have any In-Program Contact (as defined below).

Board members of Multi-sport community recreational clubs/programs that have a small competition program. In this case, at least three (3) Board members must be identified as leading or having authority over the ski and snowboard activities of the club and must form an athlete safety committee and they must be members of U.S. Ski & Snowboard and they will be considered Adult Participants.

Athlete Safety Compliance

Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP):

Club must adopt and enforce U.S. Ski & Snowboard Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) and provide education to all constituents including club board members, staff, parents, athletes, and volunteers on limiting one-on-one interactions between certain adults who have regular contact with authority over minor athletes.

Club must offer and give training to minor athletes with parent/legal guardian consent using the U.S. Center for SafeSport's youth athlete online trainings (available from the Center and in age-appropriate categories).

Parent and age-appropriate training may be found on the [U.S. Ski & Snowboard's SafeSport Resource page](#).

Club must certify to U.S. Ski & Snowboard that it has implemented the MAAPP and, when required, has obtained the appropriate parent/legal guardian consent as allowed under the MAAPP.

Club must certify it adheres to U.S. Ski & Snowboard's [Concussion Policy](#).

Business Entity

Provide evidence of legal existence in their state of primary business operations.

For example, clubs must show that they are a licensed business entity in good standing.

Examples of documentation may include: a current business license, certificate of good standing from state in which the club is incorporated, a link to the business' page in the Secretary of State's business lookup in the state you are incorporated, or other proof of business existence.

General Liability Insurance

Demonstrate club possesses general liability insurance.

This requirement may be satisfied either by joining U.S. Ski & Snowboard's CLIP program if eligible and approved or by providing U.S. Ski & Snowboard with satisfactory evidence of coverage with minimum coverage similar to that provided by CLIP.

General liability policy minimum recommended standards

AM Best Rating of "A" or better

\$1,000,000 each occurrence/\$2,000,000 policy aggregate

Sexual Abuse and Molestation Coverage – Coverage for alleged or actual abuse and molestation claims

Who Is an Insured – Includes members and supervisory staff of the club, officials, coaches and volunteer members

Coverage for ski and snowboard competition, training, and club activities

CLIP Ineligible – U.S. Ski & Snowboard clubs that are owned or operated by a parent entity (from

which insurance may be obtained) such as resort competition centers, resort-run clubs and universities, municipalities are not eligible for CLIP.

CLIP Requirements

Membership is required for club members/participants. All club participants (board members, staff, all athletes, officials, and select volunteers) must hold an appropriate and current U.S. Ski & Snowboard membership.

The low cost "General Member" option is available for those ages 17 and under who participate with the club but do not need a competitor's membership or require background screening or SafeSport training.

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