

Starlight Ice Dance Club of the Twin Cities

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 Membership Application

Personal Information		
U.S Figure Skating Member Number (Not applicable to new USFS members):		
* Skater Last Name	* Skater First Name	
* Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)	* Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	* U.S. Citizen: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
* Address		Check here if new address: <input type="checkbox"/>
* City	* State	* Zip Code
Primary Phone	Secondary Phone	
Parent/Guardian Name (If skater under age 18)		
**Primary Email	**Secondary Email	

* Item is required for membership by U.S. Figure Skating.

** Club communication is sent via email; check this box if you would rather receive communication via postal mail:

Eligibility Status	Skating Motivation
<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible <input type="checkbox"/> Ineligible (participated in unsanctioned activity) <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted (by reason of employment)	(✓ Check all that apply –AND– ⤴ Circle the primary activity) <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive Skater <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Skater <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate Skater <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Skater <input type="checkbox"/> Coach <input type="checkbox"/> Synchronized Skater <input type="checkbox"/> Parent/Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Club Officer/Board Member <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Figure Skating Officer/Official

Membership Type Note: Annual dues are **not** prorated for a partial year membership; Change of home club transfers must pay full Starlight membership fee.

Home Club Member	
<input type="checkbox"/> First Family Member (good for 1 year; includes USFS dues and Skating Magazine)	\$100.00 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Family Member (good for 1 year; includes USFS dues)	\$ 60.00 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Introductory Membership (New to USFS, 1 year; includes USFS dues & Skating Magazine)	\$ 65.00 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate Member (good for 4 years; includes USFS dues and Skating Magazine)	\$170.00 _____
Associate Member	
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member (good for 1 year of Starlight membership only)	\$ 35.00 _____
My Home Club for U.S. Figure Skating membership is: _____	
<small>(Full U.S. Figure Skating Club Name Please)</small>	

I hereby apply for membership in the Starlight Ice Dance Club of the Twin Cities (Starlight). I agree to comply with Starlight rules, as stated in the bylaws (available at www.starlighticedanceclub.com), when participating in any Starlight activities. I recognize Starlight has been formed to promote ice dancing. It is understood that Starlight will take reasonable means to provide a safe experience for its membership; however, it is further understood that ice skating is inherently dangerous and neither Starlight nor its officers or board members assume any financial responsibility for any accidents that may occur. I agree to the *SafeSport* statement on membership renewal and code of conduct included in this document.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature if under 18

Return: ① This form
 ② Payment to **Starlight Ice Dance Club**
 ③ Photocopy of College ID or similar (for Collegiate Membership only)

TO: Starlight Ice Dance Club
 c/o Rita Goodman, Membership Chair
 37 Greenway Gables
 Minneapolis MN 55403

Starlight Ice Dance Club of the Twin Cities

2020 - 2021 Skating Season

Dear Prospective Member:

Thank you for your interest in the Starlight Ice Dance Club of the Twin Cities (Starlight). As the only social ice dance club in the Twin Cities area, Starlight's focus is to provide social ice dance for those interested in staying in shape, exploring their artistic side and meeting others who share their enthusiasm for ice dance. Skill levels of our members range from beginner to advanced. Starlight began social ice dancing in 1993 and became a member club of U.S. Figure Skating in 1996.

Since the majority of Starlight members are adults, activities are scheduled as much as possible to allow a balance of work, family and skating. Board members choose to keep the club simple and focus on the key activities that promote ice dance. There are no attendance requirements or volunteer requirements, but you can contact any board member if you'd like to get involved, and we'd appreciate your participation.

You'll find the communication from the club is minimal. Generally, email is used due to its speed and low cost. The website, www.starlighticedanceclub.com is kept up-to-date with upcoming events. Starlight does not host test sessions or competitions, but we encourage members to take advantage of the many opportunities in the area.

Club bylaws are available on the Starlight website homepage. All Starlight members (including associate members) age 18 and over are eligible to vote on club matters. For members age 17 and under, votes may be submitted by a parent or guardian.

SOCIAL ICE DANCE at Parade Ice Garden

- School year – To be determined due to Covid-19.
- Come try ice dance. The contract price has been under \$10 per hour, so you can miss a few and still know you're getting a great deal! We also offer 40% off your first contract and \$7 ice dance sessions for those who skate pre-bronze and below.

ICE DANCE EVENTS

If you would like more information on any of the following, please ask a board member or check the Starlight website.

- Ice Dance Weekend 2020 - Cancelled for 2020 due to Covid-19.
- Special Social Ice Dance evenings – Halloween Costumes, New Year's Formal, etc.
- Ice Shows – Starlight is invited to participate in several ice shows. All ice dancers are welcome to participate.
- Annual Membership Meeting and Awards Ceremony

GROUP LESSONS

The Board intends to purchase ad-hoc hours of ice, possibly 2-4 times during the year, for group lessons on a specific topic. Please contact a board member if you have any requests for these lessons.

Testing and Competing

- **Club permission is required for all tests or competitions in the U.S. Figure Skating system.** The registration info provided by the host club indicates who must sign/email permissions. Generally, tests require the emailed permission of the Test Chair, and competitions require the signature of a club officer (President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer), but there are exceptions. READ the form so you know who to contact. Plan ahead and allow time for telephone tag or mail transit.
- **Testing** – Starlight does not sponsor test sessions. You are welcome to test with any club that allows it or Twin City Figure Skating Association (TCFSA) sessions. Per USFS requirements, you will need a permission to test sent to the club where you will be testing. Email the test chair for more information.
- **IJS Protocol Testing** – USFS allows certain tests to be registered as "passed" based on results at a USFS competition. Specific guidelines must be followed for results to be entered as a passing test. Email Rita Goodman at rbg.mpls@gmail.com for guidelines *prior* to the competition. Not receiving the correct documentation will mean the test cannot be registered. Per USFS rules, documentation cannot be obtained after the close of the competition. The competition does not enter the test. The results must be given to the Starlight Test Chair with a \$20 fee to Starlight for the test to be registered.

Twin City Figure Skating Association (TCFSA)

Twin City Figure Skating Association is a group of clubs based primarily in the Twin Cities that work together on any cause that will benefit many or all member clubs. For example, TCFSA sponsors local test sessions, the Minnesota State Competition, and national/international skating events. TCFSA also worked to develop standards for high-school lettering in figure skating. For more information on TCFSA, visit www.tcfsa.org or contact Starlight delegates, listed below.

Club Jackets

Club jackets are black fleece zip-up jackets, with Starlight's name and logo. Jackets can be personalized with a name on the front and/or "Starlight" on the back. Contact Diane Geving if interested in ordering a jacket.

Becoming a Member

All memberships run from July 1 to June 30, regardless of when your membership requirements are submitted. Memberships are not prorated even for change of home club members.

Membership Categories:

- **FIRST FAMILY MEMBER** – This is the standard membership; includes USFS and Starlight memberships plus Skating Magazine.
- **ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER** – For those with several skaters in the family, this membership provides a discount for all memberships after the first one. Multiple family members must all have the same mailing address. This membership does not receive Skating Magazine.
- **INTRODUCTORY MEMBER (FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN A MEMBER OF U.S. FIGURE SKATING)** – Skaters who have never been a member of U.S. Figure Skating can join at a discounted rate using the Introductory membership. This membership is otherwise considered a full membership and includes Skating Magazine.
- **COLLEGIATE MEMBER** – If you are in or about to start college, university, vocational-technical or similar post-secondary education at any level, you are eligible for the collegiate membership. This category provides four years of USFS and Starlight membership with only one registration. You do not have to be in your first year of college and there is no age restriction; however, you may only use this membership category once. Provide a copy of your student ID (with effective date), or paid fee statement or letter of acceptance from the college you are or will be attending with the regular membership requirements.
- **ASSOCIATE MEMBER** – Sometimes skaters want to be members of multiple clubs. This membership allows a skater to be a primary member of a club other than Starlight, but also be a Starlight member. Your primary club (not Starlight, in this membership category) is your connection to USFS, and provides permission you need for testing or competitions.

COACHES – Special Coach's Registration Required BEFORE Joining Starlight

U.S. Figure Skating requires that coaches complete the coach's registration process on www.usfsa.org prior to and in addition to having a club (or individual) U.S. Figure Skating membership. The coach's registration requires that you pass a background screening and provide proof of liability insurance. Coaches are also required to complete continuing education credits **each year**. After the coach's registration is complete, you must join U.S. Figure Skating as a regular member, generally through a club, such as Starlight. For more information, see the U.S. Figure Skating website.

Coaches must be a member of both U.S. Figure Skating and the Professional Skaters Association (PSA) and current on their continuing education credits to accompany a skater to **any test, competition (qualifying and non-qualifying) or other U.S. Figure Skating sanctioned event** (that is, to receive access to the skater areas or stand at the boards). Clubs have been instructed to view each coach's registration card at each event.

MEMBERSHIP CHECKLIST:

- Print clearly. The following information is required to process your membership: Name, Address, City, State, ZIP, Gender, Birth Date, and Citizenship.
- Name – The name you enter will be the name U.S. Figure Skating uses for items such as test certificates and announcements in Skating magazine.
- Email Address – An email address is not required for membership, but is required for online access to your personal test and competition history through the national organization. (U.S. Figure Skating sends password information via email to new members shortly after the registration process is complete.) Most Starlight communication will be sent via email only (using the blind carbon copy [BCC] line for confidentiality).
- Eligibility Status – This refers to your eligibility to compete in qualifying competitions. If you are unsure whether you are eligible, ineligible or restricted, please work with your coach or USFS to determine your status.
- Confirmation of Membership Status – You will receive a USFS membership card and number direct from USFS approximately 2-3 months after you submit your registration to Starlight. If you need your member number before the card arrives in the mail, please contact the membership chair.
- CHANGING HOME CLUBS – If you already joined a USFS club for the 2020-21 season, and want to change your home club to or from Starlight mid-season, notify the membership chair. A release from home club will be requested once you submit a membership application to your desired new club. Memberships fees are not prorated.

SafeSport Statement for Membership Renewal and Code of Conduct

Starlight Ice Dance Club is committed to creating a safe and positive environment for members' physical, emotional and social development and ensuring that it promotes an environment free of misconduct.

The following code of conduct applies to all participants in activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating and Starlight Ice Dance Club including but not limited to competitions, exhibitions, training camps and local rink activities.

I recognize that my participation or my child's in all the activities associated with U.S. Figure Skating and Starlight Ice Dance Club is an honor and privilege that carries certain responsibilities. I agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by U.S. Figure Skating or its properly designated agents.

U.S. Figure Skating Member Code of Conduct GR 1.02

I recognize that my participation in all activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating, including but not limited to competitions, exhibitions and training camps, is an honor and privilege that carries certain responsibilities. I agree to fully abide by the rules and guidelines set forth by U.S. Figure Skating or its properly designated agents. As a precondition to participation in activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating, I will adhere to the following tenets in good faith:

- A. I will exhibit the highest standards of fairness, ethical behavior and genuine good sportsmanship in all of my relations with others.
- B. I will not damage public or private property. I understand that I may be held financially responsible for damage deemed to be wantonly or willfully executed on my part, and that I may be subject to disciplinary action by U.S. Figure Skating.
- C. I will not use or possess illegal drugs, and I will not engage in criminal activity. I understand that, if I am found to use or possess illegal drugs, or if I am found to engage in any criminal activity during any activity hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating, I may be subject to criminal penalties as well as penalties imposed by U.S. Figure Skating.
- D. I will adhere to the rules of U.S. Figure Skating and the host organization at all activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating.
- E. I will comply with all applicable anti-doping rules including, but not limited to, ISU and USADA anti-doping rules.
- F. I will conduct myself in a manner not detrimental to the welfare of figure skating. I understand that my actions reflect on U.S. Figure Skating and the sport of figure skating both positively and negatively. I understand that if my acts, statements, or conduct are considered detrimental to the welfare of figure skating by the appropriate authority, I may be subject to penalties imposed by U.S. Figure Skating pursuant to GR 1.04.
- G. I understand that the penalties that may be imposed may include, but are not limited to, loss of future international selections, loss of financial support from U.S. Figure Skating and its Memorial Fund, and loss of participation in activities hosted, supported, sponsored or engaged in by U.S. Figure Skating.
- H. I understand that all disciplinary proceedings will be conducted pursuant to Article XXV, Section 3, of the U.S. Figure Skating bylaws, and that my rights and remedies are derived therefrom.

Contact Starlight Ice Dance Club

Board Members

Role	Name	Phone	Email
President	Diane Geving	651-464-8572	gevings@msn.com
Vice President	Becky Evans	952-401-8776	rnetsak@aol.com
Secretary	Marc Williams	763-525-1172	mwilliams22@q.com
Treasurer	Jon Koser	952-681-7109	jon@thekosers.com
Board Member	Connie Fukuda-Clark	952-949-9045	cfukuda@comcast.net
Board Member	Glen Geving	651-464-8572	gevings@msn.com
Board Member	Allen Lee	612-596-0235	allen.lee@gmx.us

Committee Positions

Role	Name	Phone	Email
Testing, Dance	Diane Geving	651-464-8572	gevings@msn.com
Testing, Moves/Freestyle	Rita Goodman	651-303-5972	rbg.mpls@gmail.com
Membership	Rita Goodman	651-303-5972	rbg.mpls@gmail.com
TCFSA Delegates	Glen Geving	651-464-8572	gevings@msn.com
	Allen Lee	612-596-0235	allen.lee@gmx.us
SafeSport Coordinator	Sandy Wittmann	651-442-9345	sjw6395@gmail.com
Social Dance Coordinators	Diane Geving	651-464-8572	gevings@msn.com
	Glen Geving		
Ice Dance Weekend	Becky Evans	952-401-8776	rnetsak@aol.com
Show Coordinator	Becky Evans	952-401-8776	rnetsak@aol.com
Webmaster	Becky Evans	952-401-8776	rnetsak@aol.com

Online Resources:

STARLIGHT ICE DANCE CLUB OF THE TWIN CITIES

- www.starlighticedanceclub.com
- <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Minneapolis-MN/Starlight-Ice-Dance-Club/66366861534/>

TWIN CITY FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION

- www.tcfsa.org
- <http://www.facebook.com/groups/160012747463990/>
- <http://twitter.com/skatetcfsa>

UNITED STATES FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION

- www.usfsa.org
- <http://www.facebook.com/home.php#/pages/Colorado-Springs-CO/US-Figure-Skating/209118026341?ref=nf>
- <http://twitter.com/usfigureskating/>
- <http://www.youtube.com/user/USFSVideo>
- <http://www.flickr.com/photos/usfsa>