

QUALIFICATIONS FOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Provisional Membership

1. The applicant club shall have been skating as an organized club six consecutive months prior to the date of application. A club is deemed to be organized when an election of officers and directors has taken place, and bylaws have been approved by the members of the club. The bylaws should be in a form similar to the sample drafted by U.S. Figure Skating legal counsel, or in such form that will be acceptable to the Membership Committee, and which calls for the election of officers and directors in accordance with generally accepted parliamentary procedures.
2. The principal skating headquarters of a club shall be the address of the rink in which the club conducts the majority of its skating sessions/business. This address will be recorded in the U.S. Figure Skating database. A club may only name one principal skating headquarters. (MR 2.04)
3. The applicant club shall have made arrangements for exclusive ice time either at a rink or some other place where ice is available for use exclusively by the club (principal skating headquarters). This requirement begins no later than the date of approval for provisional membership. A copy of the ice contract or letter of such agreement shall be submitted at this time.
4. The applicant club shall have not less than 25 home club members, 10 of whom are adult members over the age of eighteen (18) years.
5. A payment of \$50 shall be included with the application.
6. An applicant club may be granted provisional membership by the Membership Committee at any time during the year, if the application has been investigated and approved.
7. For the application to be considered for full club membership at the next meeting of the Governing Council, it must be postmarked not later than Dec. 31.
8. As a provisional club, you will be able to sanction exhibitions, carnivals and ice shows, hold test sessions, and your club members are eligible to compete representing your club. There are two things that you **cannot** do until you are a full member club: 1) Host a qualifying competition and 2) Vote at Governing Council.
9. Until the applicant club has been approved, members who wish to compete or test should join U.S. Figure Skating through another member club or as an individual member.
10. During the six-month formation process, provisional status or the first year after full membership is granted, the applicant club must complete club education requirements as specified by the Membership Committee.