



Membership Policy

Approved by the Board of Directors October 11th 2016

Purpose

This policy outlines Snowboard Ontario (SO) membership categories, qualifications, requirements, fees and terms and conditions of membership. This policy will be reviewed annually by the board of directors.

Categories of Membership

Categories – The Association has four (4) categories of membership:

- a) Club Members;
- b) Competitive Members;
- c) Associate Members; and
- d) Honorary Members

Qualifications for Membership

All participants are required to register and be a member of Snowboard Ontario and Canada Snowboard in order to participate in ANY sanctioned activities. This includes participation in anything from club training with a coach, all the way up to competing in a World Cup.

Your registration includes liability insurance to train, be coached, be part of a club and compete (but does not include supplementary medical insurance – this is SAIP insurance which can be purchased separately from Canada Snowboard).

1. Club Member – An organized snowboarding club registered with the Association with goals and objectives similar to the Association who have adopted the Association's policies, rules and regulations.
2. Competitive Member – An individual competitive snowboarder who is interested in participating in competitive snowboarding.
3. Associate Member – Any individual who is a coach, manager, official, volunteer or administrator registered with a Club Member or the Association.
4. Honorary Member - An individual or organization approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors who has contributed greatly to the development or promotion of the sport of snowboarding in Ontario.

Requirements for Admission of Members

Club Members

All Clubs must be registered with Snowboard Ontario and Canada Snowboard in order to stage sanctioned activities, enter athletes into Canada Snowboard or FIS sanctioned activities, or otherwise participate in the affairs of Snowboard Ontario and Canada Snowboard.

- a) The candidate member has paid dues as prescribed by the Board



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- b) Club Registration and payment is to be done using the Canada Snowboard online registration system
- c) All Club activities must be formally sanctioned by Canada Snowboard. Applications for sanctions are submitted using the Canada Snowboard online membership system
- d) All non-profit Canada Snowboard Clubs must purchase the Club Directors' and Officers' liability insurance available through Canada Snowboard. The purpose of Directors' and Officers' (D&O) insurance is to provide coverage for a special area of risk that is not included in commercial general liability insurance policies. This is risk specifically related to the actions of persons in the roles of Directors and Officers of an organization, including such potential problem areas as:
 - Misuse of funds
 - Breach of contracts
 - Mis-statements to government agencies
 - Incorrect disclosure of documents
 - Breach of duties to association members
 - Wrongful dismissal of an employee

Competitive Members

- a) The candidate member has paid dues as prescribed by the Board
- b) Registration and payment is to be done using the Canada Snowboard online registration system
- c) Members are required to accept the Canada Snowboard Membership Waiver, completed during online registration
- d) Members are required to accept each Snowboard Ontario Code of Conduct pertaining to membership purchased

Associate Members

- a) The candidate member has paid dues as prescribed by the Board
- b) Registration and payment is to be done using the Canada Snowboard online registration system
- c) Members are required to accept the Canada Snowboard Membership Waiver, completed during online registration
- d) Members are required to accept each Snowboard Ontario Code of Conduct pertaining to membership purchased

Honorary Members

- a) The candidate member has been approved by majority vote as a member by the Board or by any committee or individual delegated this authority by the Board

Failure to be Admitted

Where a candidate member is not admitted to membership, written reasons will be provided.



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Membership Dues

- a) Year - Unless otherwise determined by the Board, the membership year of the Association will be June 1st – May 31st.
- b) Dues - Membership dues for all categories of Membership will be determined annually by the Board of Directors.

2016-2017 Member Dues (excluding Canada Snowboard dues)

Category	Type	Cost
Associate	Coach Membership	\$15.00
Associate	Official Membership	\$15.00
Associate	Judge Membership	\$15.00
Associate	Board of Directors	\$15.00
Club	Non-Profit Club	\$100.00
Club	For Profit Club	\$250.00
Competitive	Athlete – Recreational	\$15.00
Competitive	Athlete – Basic Competitor	\$15.00
Competitive	Athlete – Advanced Competitor	\$90.00
Competitive	Athlete – Riders	\$13.50

Withdrawal and Termination of Membership

- a) A Member may not resign from the Association when the Member is subject to disciplinary investigation or action of the Association.
- b) A Member will be expelled from the Association for failing to pay membership dues or monies owed to the Association by the deadline dates prescribed by the Association.
- c) In addition to expulsion for failure to pay membership dues, a Member may be suspended or expelled from the Association in accordance with the Association's policies and procedures relating to discipline of Members.

Good Standing

A Member of the Association will be in good standing provided that the Member:

- a) Has not ceased to be a Member;
- b) Has not been suspended or expelled from membership, or had other membership restrictions or sanctions imposed;
- c) Has completed and remitted all documents as required by the Association;
- d) Has complied with the Constitution, Bylaws, policies and rules of the Association; and



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- e) Is not subject to a disciplinary investigation or action by the Association, or if subject to disciplinary action previously, has fulfilled all terms and conditions of such disciplinary action to the satisfaction of the Board.
- f) Had paid all required membership dues.

Cease to be in Good Standing

Members who cease to be in good standing, as determined by the Board of Directors, Discipline or Appeal Panels, will not be entitled to vote at meetings of Members and, where the Member is a Director, at meetings of Directors, or be entitled to the benefits and privileges of membership until such time as the Board is satisfied that the Member has met the definition of good standing as set out above.