



2016 UNITED STATES POLO ASSOCIATION® MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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The United States Polo Association (USPA) membership year is from January 1 through December 31 of each year.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Required)

Name : _____
(First) (Middle) (Last) (Suffix)

Nickname: _____

Gender: Male Female

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Country: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): ____/____/____

Are you a U.S. Citizen?

- Yes, and I Can Provide:
 - U.S. Birth Certificate U.S. Passport U.S. Citizenship Certificate
- No, Country of Citizenship: _____

CLUB INFORMATION (Required, except for Social Non Playing Members)

Club Affiliation: _____

OTHER INFORMATION

Do you plan to participate in High Goal Polo (20+ Outdoor) within the next year? No Yes

Have you ever participated in the Intercollegiate/ Interscholastic Program?

- No
- Yes, Currently, Team: _____
- Yes, Previously, Team: _____

Are you currently a Coach for an Intercollegiate/ Interscholastic Team?

- No Yes, Team: _____

Have you ever been a member of US Pony Club or Horse Masters?

- No
- Yes, Currently, Club: _____
- Yes, Previously, Club: _____

Have you or a family member ever previously served in the U.S. Armed Forces?

- Active Duty Retired Honorable Discharged Family Member

Branch: _____

Currently a Polo School Instructor at: _____ Polo Club

Currently a Polo Club Manager at: _____ Polo Club

HANDICAP HISTORY (Required)

Yes, what Association : _____

Handicap, Outdoor: ____ Arena: ____ Wmn's: ____

Highest World Handicap, Outdoor: ____ Arena: ____ Wmn's: ____

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

I want to receive the monthly Polo Player's Edition® Magazine Yes No
I want to receive the Annual USPA® Blue Book Yes No

- I want to receive all information USPA® sends via e-mail.
- I only want to receive USPA® information regarding membership and handicap.
- I do not want to receive any information via mass electronic communication even if it concerns my membership.

I do not want my contact information (address, phone number or email) listed in the:

- Annual USPA® Blue Book USPA® Website

* Name, Club and Handicap will still be listed

* Information for Members under the age of 18 will not be listed

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (Required)

(For Descriptions of Member Types see reverse side)

- Registered Player (U.S. Citizen).....\$150
 - Active Duty U.S. Armed Forces.....\$0
- Affiliate Player (Non U.S. Citizen).....\$150
- Social Non- Playing\$75
- Student.....\$50
 - First Year Free Student Member (new members only).....\$0
- Lifetime Membership.....\$2,500

MEMBERSHIP NON- DISCLOSURE (Required)

No individual member or member club may use or cause to be used, any other individual member or member club's demographic or contact information in either hard copy or electronic format, from any USPA® source including the blue book or the website for any of the following reasons:

1. Any mass mail, texting or emailing for USPA® campaign electioneering
2. Any mass mail, texting or emailing for commercial or non commercial purpose

Yes, I Understand

MEMBERSHIP SIGNATURE (Required)

Every Member MUST sign in this box.

By signing below, you or the parent/guardian (if the member is 18 years or younger) signing are confirming that the information on this form is accurate and that you are in agreement with USPA® Terms and Conditions (see reverse side)

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (If member is less than 18 years old): _____

Date: _____

PAYMENT SECTION

TOTAL	Type of Payment: (US Funds ONLY)
\$_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Check (made out to USPA)# _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card

To pay via credit card please call the USPA Office at (800) 232- USPA

*Registration fees to the USPA® are not deductible as a charitable contribution.

USPA MEMBERSHIP TYPES

Registered Player Member

- U.S. Citizen
- Registered through an Active Member or Affiliate Member Club
- Shall enjoy all individual benefits and obligations of the Association

Affiliate Player Member

- Non U.S. Citizen
- Registered through an Active Member or Affiliate Member Club
- Shall enjoy all the individual benefits and obligations of the Association except:
 - Not eligible to be selected as a Club Delegate for an Active Member Club
 - May not serve on the Board of Governors
 - Not entitled to vote on Association matters

Lifetime Member

- Shall have the same benefits as a Registered Player Member or an Affiliate Member, as the case may be, for the balance of that individual's life
- Shall not be required to pay annual dues after being accepted as a Lifetime Member
- Shall be required to sign the USPA Member Terms and Conditions each year and indicate whether they want a handicap and/or USPA provided member insurance.

Student Member

- First Year of Student Membership shall be free, if applying after June 30th the following year shall also be free
- Eligibility, Any member who is:
 - Under the age of nineteen (19) on the date of application
 - Taking part in an Intercollegiate or Interscholastic Program at any College, University, Secondary School or Youth Program.
 - Any adult member actively participating in a polo school (in their first two years of membership)
- Shall enjoy all the individual benefits and obligations of the Association except:
 - Not eligible to be selected as a Club Delegate for an Active Member Club
 - May not serve on the Board of Governors
 - Not entitled to vote on Association matters
- May request a handicap through an Active Member Club at no extra charge

Social Non-Playing Member

- Does not require a club affiliation
- Shall enjoy all the individual benefits and obligations of the Association except:
 - May not be awarded a handicap
 - Not eligible to participate in Association events
 - Not eligible to be selected as a Club Delegate for an Active Member Club
 - May not serve on the Board of Governors
 - Not entitled to vote on Association matters
- May become a Registered Player or Affiliate Member by paying the difference in annual fee and requesting a handicap and affiliating with an Active Member or Affiliate Member Club

USPA MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

USPA® Membership Card
 Player Handicap (Player, Affiliate and Student Members)
 Insurance Coverage: \$1 Million Excess Personal Liability
 Access to Accidental/Medical Insurance through Equisure
 Monthly Subscription to Polo Players Edition® Magazine
 USPA® Annual Blue Book and Rules and Rules Interpretations Handbook
 Polo Plus Discounts on products and services

USPA TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I AGREE:

- 1) To abide by the Constitution, By-Laws, Tournament Conditions and Rules of the USPA®, as published yearly in the USPA® Yearbook, and as amended from time to time.
- 2) To pay the USPA® attorney's fees and costs in any matters arising out of or related to my violations or non-compliance with the Constitution, By-Laws, Tournament Conditions and/or Rules of the USPA®.
- 3) To be responsible for any injury or damage caused by myself, my agents, employees and/or their mounts.

I FURTHER AGREE:

- 4) That the USPA® makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, about the ultimate effectiveness of any type of protective gear or equipment including, but not limited to, helmet and face/eye protection, and that the USPA® cautions its members that death, head, eye and face injury, or other serious bodily harm may result despite the use of such protective gear and equipment. The information provided by the USPA®, whether in this Membership Form, on the USPA® website or in printed material is for my independent consideration, study and evaluation. I will wear a helmet during all USPA®-sanctioned polo games and events. I acknowledge that it is my personal responsibility to choose a helmet, face/eye protection and any other form of protective gear and equipment that I believe will provide the best protection and safety.
- 5) That the USPA® has made me aware of certain published testing data and studies pertaining to helmets and helmet safety. I acknowledge that I have been informed by the USPA® that not all polo helmets meet the standards set by the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE). I am aware that if a polo helmet meets NOCSAE standards, there will be a NOCSAE logo on the helmet. Additionally, I acknowledge that I have been informed by the USPA® that Lola Chambless, M.D., a neurosurgeon from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, analyzed the different helmet standards used in equestrian events and rendered an opinion on which helmet standard offered the best protection for the sport of polo. I am aware that Dr. Chambless concluded that the NOCSAE standard for polo helmets appears to offer the best protection for the types of head injuries typically sustained during polo play. I have read Dr. Chambless' report, and I have performed any additional helmet research that I determined to be necessary or appropriate. I am aware that the USPA® does not recommend one helmet over another, and that it is my responsibility to choose a helmet that I believe will provide the best protection and safety while I am playing polo.
- 6) That the USPA® has made me aware that affixing face and/or eye protection to a NOCSAE certified helmet or other certified helmet may cause the helmet to lose its certification. I agree to adhere to all manufacturer specifications, requirements and fitting instructions when affixing face and/or eye protection to a helmet or otherwise altering a helmet in any manner. I acknowledge that it is ultimately my personal responsibility to choose face and/or eye protection that I believe will provide the best protection and safety while I am playing polo and properly affix the face and/or eye equipment to my chosen helmet.
- 7) That helmets and face/eye protection meeting the NOCSAE standard or other safety standards will not protect me against all injuries including, but not limited to, those that are fatal, serious or severe. I voluntarily and knowingly assume any risk of death or injury resulting from the particular helmet and/or face/eye protection that I personally choose. I further acknowledge and agree that I voluntarily and knowingly assume any risk with respect to my participation in any USPA® sanctioned activity, tournament or game (collectively, "USPA® Event") and to indemnify and hold harmless the sponsoring club and any other sponsor or member clubs of the USPA®; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the USPA® Event; the USPA®; the owners, lessees or lessors of any premises where a USPA® Event may be held; and all directors, governors, officers, trustees, agents, employees, or servants of any of the above-named entities (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties"), from any claim for any personal injury, death or property damage sustained by any person or entity, including, without limitation, all third parties, all other members, entrants, and any person performing services for any of the Indemnified Parties, arising out of my conduct.
- 8) That the USPA® shall be entitled to use my name and likeness, without compensation to me, provided that such use is limited to photographs, still images, and video on or in the USPA® website, the USPA® Blue Book, USPA® publications and Polo Player's Edition magazine.
- 9) That the Association is a voluntary, private sporting organization. Membership in the Association is at-will and subject to the discretion of the Association at all times. Each calendar year, a candidate for membership shall submit a completed Membership Application for consideration by the Association. If, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Association, the membership candidate possesses the type of good character that the Association seeks for its membership, the Association may accept the candidate's Membership Application and grant membership to the candidate for that particular calendar year. Subject to the provisions of By-law II, 15 and 16, a Member Club, Individual Member or Lifetime Member's previously accepted membership may be suspended, revoked or terminated at any time by the Association where a Member Club, Individual Member or Lifetime Member acts in a manner that is deemed, in the sole and absolute discretion of the Association, to be inconsistent with, contrary to, or violate the Association's Rules, By-laws, Terms and Conditions of the Membership Application, Code of Conduct set forth in By-Law 4(b), or tournament conditions.

By signing this registration form and accepting the privileges of the USPA®, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, accept and agree to the terms and conditions set above.