



2023/2024 USA GYMNASTICS PARENT/GUARDIAN OF MINOR

This form is to add a parent to a minor membership.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION All fields marked * are REQUIRED.

Parent/Guardian: *Legal First Name _____ MI _____ *Last Name _____

Parent/Guardian: Preferred First Name _____ *Gender _____ *Date of Birth _____

*Mailing Address _____ *City _____ *State _____ *Zip _____

*Email _____ *Phone _____

MINOR INFORMATION

Minor: *Legal First Name _____ MI _____ *Last Name _____

Minor: Preferred First Name _____ *Gender _____ *Date of Birth _____ *Minor Mem. No. _____

Preferred Name will be provided to meet directors in place of legal first name for use at competitions.

SAFETY AND RESPONSE INFORMATION

As the parents and guardians of a minor who is member of USA Gymnastics, you need to be aware of the Safety and Response Policy and its mandates and member requirements, as well as understand the roles each of us have in athlete safety.

1. The Safety and Response Policy and what it means for your child

The Safety and Response Policy requires mandatory reporting, defines misconduct, sets standards to prohibit grooming behaviors, and establishes greater accountability. The Safety and Response Policy specifically sets policy that limits one-on-one interactions between those in a position of authority and minor athletes. Those policies address travel, individual training, meetings, electronic communication, medical modalities, gifting, locker room behaviors, and parental access to practice.

2. What is now required of your gym and coach to protect your child

- Member Clubs are required to have written policies consistent with USA Gymnastics Safety and Response Policy.
- All staff at a Member Club are considered mandatory reporters and must report Child Abuse and sexual misconduct to law enforcement and the U.S. Center for SafeSport. All other misconduct must be reported to USA Gymnastics.

- Ensure that all staff who have regular contact and/or authority over Minor Athletes have passed a background check consistent with USA Gymnastics background check policy and completed U110: SafeSport Core Course.
- Designate a Safety Champion to disseminate safety information to all club staff and parents.
- Adhere to all restrictions placed on an employee by USA Gymnastics or the U.S. Center for SafeSport and abide by the list of persons declared permanently ineligible for membership in USA Gymnastics.

3. What you, as a parent or guardian, can do in protecting your child.

- Ask** to see your gym about its Safety and Response policies
- Review** with your child the signs of grooming
- Talk** with your child about recognizing misconduct
- Empower** your child to speak up
- Take** the Center for SafeSport's course [Parents Guide to Misconduct in Sport and Youth Athlete Training](#) to better understand misconduct in sport.
- Encourage** your child to take the U.S. Center for SafeSport's courses for children including [SafeSport for Youth Athletes \(ages 13-17\)](#) or [SafeSport for Kids \(ages 5-12\)](#).

MAKE A REPORT

If child abuse is occurring, call 911 immediately. If you learn of facts that give reason to suspect any child has suffered an incident of Child Abuse or are informed of an allegation of Child Abuse, immediately report to local authorities and the U.S. Center for SafeSport.

To report sexual misconduct to the Center: If you suspect or have knowledge of sexual misconduct, call 911 immediately. Then contact the U.S. Center for SafeSport immediately. Reports may be made online at safesport.org/report-a-concern or by phone: 833.587.7233.

To report non-sexual misconduct to USA Gymnastics: Report all forms of non-sexual misconduct (physical misconduct, emotional misconduct, bullying, hazing, and harassment) to USA Gymnastics. Reports may be made online at: <https://usagym.i-sight.com/portal> or by phone at 833.844.SAFE (7233).

If prohibited conduct has occurred at an Olympic or Paralympic Training Center (OPTC) or any third-party sponsored event in which the USOPC sends a delegation, promptly report to the USOPC Security & Athlete Safety Office here or by calling 719.866.3869.

USA Gymnastics mandates that all members follow state and federal laws governing reporting of child abuse. If you are 18 years of age or older and are subject to USA Gymnastics Safety and Response policy, you are required to report all instances of possible child abuse or neglect to law enforcement and state child services.

Parent/Guardian initial here to acknowledge that you have received and read the information above regarding understanding the USA Gymnastics' Safe Sport Policy.

PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT

I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian, with legal responsibility for the named applicant for membership. I understand that USA Gymnastics is relying on the representations and certifications I have made on behalf of my minor child. I agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless USA Gymnastics from and against any and all claims, liabilities, damages, losses, costs and expenses (including, actual attorneys' fees and costs) arising out of or in connection with any misrepresentation made by me.

I, on behalf of the applicant and in my individual capacity personally affix my signature below and attest to the truthfulness, completeness and accuracy of all statements and information provided in this agreement and provide acceptance of its terms and conditions.

*Signature: _____ Date: _____

Questions? Contact Member Services at 800.345.4719 or membership@usagym.org.