

## **From U.S. Ski & Snowboard Membership – 9/6/18**

### **SafeSport**

- Membership as a U.S. Ski & Snowboard coach, official or club volunteer member is now required to access SafeSport Training. Member Services sends instructions via email upon registration. There is no cost to the training for the above membership categories.
- The alternate method for obtaining for access to SafeSport training is to purchase the course through the [www.SafeSport.org](http://www.SafeSport.org) website. The cost of the course is \$20.
- Individual's under 18 cannot legally submit to the normal criminal screening process and as such are not eligible to register as coaches, officials or club volunteer members. Clubs may employ individuals under the age of 18 in a variety of capacities, including as a "junior" coach. In these instances, clubs must require that junior coaches working with minors do so under the direct supervision of an adult who is registered in one of the above member categories with U.S. Ski & Snowboard. The junior coach must also register as a general or athlete member of U.S. Ski & Snowboard. We recommend either the associated club or the individuals purchase and complete SafeSport Training for \$20 as noted above.
- As a related reminder, all those functioning in a coaching capacity with any U.S. Ski & Snowboard club are now required to join as coach members. This requirement includes coaches who may or may not be involved in programs with U.S. Ski & Snowboard.

### **Club Minimum Standards**

- The 2018-19 season marks the second season with the Club Minimum Standards in place. This season clubs are required to meet all club minimum standards. Please reference the link below as a refresher on these requirements. The same information may be found online under the membership homepage under the Club Resource Center.
  - <https://memberhelp.ussa.org/phpkb/article/u-s-ski-snowboard-club-minimum-standards.html>

### **Non-Scored Student Membership Option**

- The Alpine Non-Scored Student membership is now available to those age 14-24 for just \$75. Here are the highlights of the student membership.
  - Primarily for interscholastic and intercollegiate racing
  - Provides access to all levels of U.S. Ski & Snowboard scored and non-scored competitions at the local, divisional, regional and national level
  - High School racing
  - Training with club
  - USCSA racing - May participate in USCSA/U.S. Ski & Snowboard combined events.
  - Does not include U.S. Ski & Snowboard points or ranking
  - Ages 18 to 24 may participate in Alpine Masters competitions except for Regional and National championships where the full Masters membership is required

### **Weekend Coverage**

Beginning Oct 1, Member Services provides support weekends between 8-5 MT via offline chat, email and voicemail.

**Other Items**

- Competition Guides will begin mailing to club, coaches and officials between Oct 15 and Nov 15
- Member cards for coaches and officials – Cards for members in these categories are held back until most of the fall clinics have been completed which is generally early Dec. This practice ensures certifications on member cards are as current as possible. In the meantime, members may download cards from their accounts once all requirements have been met.

Please reach out to either Member Services or me for assistance as needed. We're here to help.