



member services

Update

2004 – The Olympic Year for Summer Sports – have you prepared?

Check List: Need to do for 2004

1. Education- www.usa-gymnastics.org has information on available courses. Register on-line for courses, Congress and safety. Take safety course online

- All preschool teachers and beginner class instructors are USA Gymnastics KAT certified
- All Preschool teachers and beginner class instructors have attended the Movement Education and Lesson Plan Development (MELPD) course
- All instructors and coaches are safety certified. Safety/Risk Management course is now available online. USA Gymnastics University at www.usa-gymnastics.org offers safety online. More courses to be added in 2004/05.
- Attend educational seminar – National Congress in Anaheim. Tracks for your coaches, instructors and preschool teachers. Business sessions for owners, directors, managers.
- Attend your state and regional clinics.

2. Update information

- Update or correct personal membership information and club information. Make sure all information is up to date. Go to website and make changes or call member services at 1-800-345-4719
- Discard all old forms. You must use the new, most current forms for Athlete Member registration for 2004-2005. Forms will be available online by June 18. The online registration will open by July 1, 2004.
- Old forms are invalid. For proper insurance/risk management coverage the proper and current year date forms must be used and on file.
- Make sure you have the correct name spelling and correct updated address on all athlete and other membership forms. Make sure you make these changes when you are registering online. Please make sure all name and addresses are updated and correct on forms which are sent to the office for processing.

3. New Season 2004 – 2005

- Club packets with new forms and updated registration information will go in the mail at the end of June. We apologize for the delay however; we must finalize the risk management contract with our insurance carriers. As most of you are aware the climate in the insurance world is forever changing. Membership fees will be determined in June. There will be a minimum of \$ 1.00 increase per membership. Watch the website for up to date announcements

- Introductory Membership – this membership is for Level 2 and 3, women prep opt, TOPS and Group Gymnastics. This membership allows the athlete to participate in USA Gymnastics sanctioned events. As long as an athlete is at this level they may choose to remain in this member category. This membership is available by online registration only. The forms are on the Internet. The fee will remain \$ 15. Member cards are to be printed from the internet only. This membership offers the member benefit of secondary accident insurance with a deductible during sanctioned events. No other benefits such as the magazine are part of this membership. These members may subscribe to USA Gymnastics magazine for \$ 19.95. They may choose to register as a full athlete member to receive all benefits, if desired. These athletes may remain in the Introductory Level membership as long as they wish to remain at those levels.
- Register your athletes upon receipt of form and fees. Do not hold onto funds for months. The athletes and parents want to receive the full year of membership benefits and that includes the magazine.
- Completed, signed forms: It is most important that every club has a completed, signed form with the correct year date from every athlete who competes in their club files. You must maintain these hard copies in your records. Please check with your legal council to determine the proper length of time to maintain your records. Please review the Safety/Risk Management book for suggestions and reminders in this area or record keeping.
- Plan your program to celebrate National Gymnastics Day – August 7, 2004. Tell us how you celebrated,
- Make sure all Professional and Instructor memberships for your coaches and teachers remain current. You can register memberships and sanctions online.
- Watch U.S. Championships, U.S. Olympic Trials-Gymnastics and the Olympics on TV if you can not attend in person.
- Maintain a current Member Club membership. If you do not have this membership, sign up today! \$ 155.00 for a year of benefits.

Go Team USA! 2004 – Olympic Year

