

ATHLETE TRANSFER REQUEST FORM

Athlete (or his/her parents/guardians or custodians, if athlete is a minor) requesting to transfer must:

COMPLETE SECTIONS 1 and 2.

SEND completed form (original) to the Club Representative where the athlete is currently registered. A fee of \$25.00 made payable to the USSS National Office must accompany the Athlete Transfer Request Form.

Club Representative of current club where the athlete is registered must:

Upon receipt of the Athlete Transfer Request Form, COMPLETE SECTIONS 2 and 3.

SEND completed form, including information on outstanding club membership dues and fees, to the Club Representative of the new club, the current and new LSSC Administrative Chairs and the USSS National Office. When sending the completed form to the USSS National Office, be sure to include the \$25.00 fee.

****Please obtain hand-written signatures where required.****

SECTION 1

CURRENT REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

Sex

F

M **Age**

Current Club Name

Date of last competition representing current club

Name of meet

City

State

New Club Name

City

State

By signing this form, I confirm that the above information is correct. I understand that the above athlete will remain "Unaffiliated" for 120 consecutive days from the date of last competition in accordance with USSS Administrative Rules, Article 21, Section 21.01, D.

Signature of Athlete (or his/her Parents/Guardians or Custodians, if athlete is a minor)

Date

SECTION 2

ATHLETE’S CERTIFICATION: I certify that the information contained in this form is accurate, and that I, or my parents/guardians or custodians, initiated contact with my new club, and there was no undue influence as described in Appendix J.

Signature of Athlete

Date

PARENTS/GUARDIANS OR CUSTODIANS’ CERTIFICATION (if athlete is a minor): We certify that we are the parents/guardians or custodians of the athlete identified in this Athlete Transfer Request Form and that he/she, or we, initiated contact with his/her new club and there was no undue influence as described in Appendix J.

Names of Athlete’s Parents, Guardians or Custodians

Signatures of Athlete’s Parents, Guardians or Custodians

Date

CURRENT CLUB REPRESENTATIVE’S CERTIFICATION: I certify that my club has notified the athlete’s prospective new club, the Association of which that club is a member, the Association of which my club is a member, and the USSS National Office of the athlete’s intention to transfer to a new club.

Current Club Representative’s Name & Club

Signature of Current Club Representative

Date

SECTION 3

It is the responsibility of the athlete’s current club to notify the current and new LSSCs if the club has obtained a court judgment, which would cause the athlete to be unaffiliated pursuant to the terms of the Athlete Transfer Request Form Supplement (below).

If a member club of an LSSC has secured a court judgment against an athlete member (or his/her parents/guardians or custodians, if athlete is a minor) for non-payment of club membership dues and fees which would entitle the athlete to compete affiliated to said club, that athlete shall be ineligible to represent any USSS member club until the judgment is paid. However, the athlete may compete as “Unaffiliated” according to Administrative Rules, Article 21, Section 21.02.

CURRENT CLUB CERTIFICATION: I certify that the athlete identified in this Athlete Transfer Request Form has notified our club of the intent to transfer and (select one):

is paid in full

has outstanding club membership dues and fees

Signature of Current Club Representative

Date

ATHLETE TRANSFER REQUEST FORM SUPPLEMENT

The following information is intended to cover only the situation in which the athlete (or his/her parents/guardians or custodians, if athlete is a minor) fails to pay club membership dues or fees, which would enable the athlete to represent that club in competition.

1. If the indebtedness is acknowledged and not paid, the athlete may be suspended from any activity, including competition, until the indebtedness is paid.
2. If the indebtedness is denied, the club must obtain a court judgment for the indebtedness. This is usually a very quick procedure in a Small Claims Court. Pending that judgment, the athlete is entitled to compete unaffiliated according to Administrative Rules, Article 21, Section 21.02.
3. The athlete cannot be penalized, for example, if a judgment is obtained against his/her parents/guardians or custodians for an obligation completely independent of payment of club membership dues and fees.
4. If the problem arises in a situation where an immediate decision must be made (such as on deck during a competition), have an Emergency Hearing. The athlete may be permitted to swim under protest according to USSS Rules, Section TR 3.

An LSSC or the USSS National Office must never get involved in intra-club disputes (club v. coach, coach v. athlete, club v. athlete, club v. member, etc.). Consequently, the LSSC Review Board does not have jurisdiction unless the dispute involves a general factual situation or a general principle that is of concern to the LSSC itself. An LSSC could be overwhelmed with trying to resolve intra-club disputes if the rule was otherwise. Each club should have its own procedure for resolving such situations in its bylaws.