**1.0) Purpose**

This policy outlines Ontario Snowboard membership categories, qualifications, requirements, fees and terms and conditions of membership. This policy will be reviewed annually by the Board of Directors.

**2.0) Categories of Membership**

The Association has four (4) categories of membership:

1. Club Members;
2. Competitive Members;
3. Associate Members; and
4. Honorary Members

**3.0) Qualifications for Membership**

3.1) All participants are required to complete annual membership for Ontario Snowboard and Canada Snowboard in order to participate in ANY sanctioned activities.  This includes participation in anything from club training with a coach, all the way up to competing in a World Cup.

3.2) Your registration includes liability insurance to train, be coached, be part of a club and compete (but does not include supplementary medical insurance – this is SAIP insurance which can be purchased separately from Canada Snowboard).

1. Club Member – An organized snowboarding club registered with Ontario Snowboard that has goals and objectives similar to Ontario Snowboard who have adopted its policies, rules and regulations.
2. Competitive Member – An individual competitive snowboarder who is interested in participating in competitive snowboarding.
3. Associate Member – Any individual who is a coach, manager, official, volunteer or administrator registered with a Club Member or Ontario Snowboard.
4. Honorary Member - An individual or organization approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors who has contributed greatly to the development or promotion of the sport of snowboarding in Ontario.

**4.0) Requirements for Admission of Members**

Each category has individual requirements for admission to Ontario Snowboard

4.1 Club Members - All Clubs must be registered with Ontario Snowboard and Canada Snowboard in order to stage sanctioned activities, enter athletes into Canada Snowboard or FIS sanctioned activities, or otherwise participate in the affairs of Ontario Snowboard and Canada Snowboard.

1. The candidate member has paid dues as prescribed by the Board
2. Club Registration and payment is to be done using the Canada Snowboard online registration system
3. All Club activities must be formally sanctioned by Canada Snowboard. Applications for sanctions are submitted using the Canada Snowboard online membership system
4. All non-profit Clubs must annually obtain and provide Club Directors’ and Officers’ liability insurance either through Canada Snowboard or another insurance broker. The purpose of Directors’ and Officers’ (D&O) insurance is to provide coverage for a special area of risk that is not included in commercial general liability insurance policies. This is risk specifically related to the actions of persons in the roles of Directors and Officers of an organization, including such potential problem areas as:
* Misuse of funds
* Breach of contracts
* Mis-statements to government agencies
* Incorrect disclosure of documents
* Breach of duties to association members
* Wrongful dismissal of an employee

4.2 Competitive Members – All athletes for the purpose of this policy are considered competitive members inclusive of Recreational, Compete and Limited Participant

1. The candidate member has paid dues as prescribed by the Board
2. Registration and payment is to be done using the Canada Snowboard online registration system
3. Members are required to accept the Canada Snowboard Membership Waiver, completed during online registration
4. Members are required to accept each Ontario Snowboard Code of Conduct & Policies pertaining to membership purchased

4.3 Associate Members

1. The candidate member has paid dues as prescribed by the Board
2. Registration and payment is to be done using the Canada Snowboard online registration system
3. Members are required to accept the Canada Snowboard Membership Waiver, completed during online registration
4. Members are required to accept each Ontario Snowboard Code of Conduct & Policies pertaining to membership purchased

4.4 Honorary Members

1. The candidate member has been approved by majority vote as a member by the Board or by any committee or individual delegated this authority by the Board

**5.0) Failure to be Admitted**

Where a candidate member is not admitted to membership, written reasons will be provided.

**6.0) Membership Dues**

1. Year - Unless otherwise determined by the Board, the membership year of Ontario Snowboard will be July 1st – June 30th.
2. Dues - Membership dues for all categories of Membership will be determined annually by the Board of Directors.

**2021-2022 Membership Dues**(excluding Canada Snowboard dues)

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| **Category** | **Type** | **Cost** |
| Associate | Coach Membership | $35.00 |
| Associate | Official Membership | $ 5.00 |
| Associate | Judge Membership | $ 5.00 |
| Associate | Board of Directors | $ 5.00 |
| Club | Non-Profit Club | $100.00 |
| Club | For Profit Club | $250.00 |
| Competitive | Athlete – Recreational Membership | $35.00 |
| Competitive | Athlete - Compete Membership | $150.00 |
| Competitive | Athlete – Limited Membership | $10.00 |

**7.0) Withdrawal and Termination of Membership**

1. A Member may not resign from Ontario Snowboard when the Member is subject to disciplinary investigation or action of Ontario Snowboard.
2. A Member will be expelled from Ontario Snowboard for failing to pay membership dues or monies owed to Ontario Snowboard by the deadline dates prescribed by Ontario Snowboard.
3. In addition to expulsion for failure to pay membership dues, a Member may be suspended or expelled in accordance with Ontario Snowboard`s policies and procedures relating to discipline of Members.

**8.0) Good Standing**

A Member of the Association will be in good standing provided that the Member:

1. Has not ceased to be a Member;
2. Has not been suspended or expelled from membership, or had other membership restrictions or sanctions imposed;
3. Has completed and remitted all documents as required by the Association;
4. Has complied with the Constitution, Bylaws, policies and rules of the Association; and
5. Is not subject to a disciplinary investigation or action by the Association, or if subject to disciplinary action previously, has fulfilled all terms and conditions of such disciplinary action to the satisfaction of the Board.
6. Had paid all required membership dues.

**9.0) Cease to be in Good Standing**

Members who cease to be in good standing, as determined by the Board of Directors, Discipline or Appeal Panels, will not be entitled to vote at meetings of Members and, where the Member is a Director, at meetings of Directors, or be entitled to the benefits and privileges of membership until such time as the Board is satisfied that the Member has met the definition of good standing as set out above.