

Upper Mountain Skating Association  
 Celebrating 47 Years of Excellence on Ice  
 1960-2007

May 25, 2007

Dear Upper Mountain Skating Association Members and Families:

Welcome to the 2007-2008 Skating Season. Enclosed you will find you UMMSA/USFSA application forms. Please fill out the attached form and return along with a check for the correct fees. The return address is listed on the application form. Your membership will be renewed on line once your form has been returned. A reminder, your current USFSA and UMMSA membership expires June 30, 2007. **Unless your membership is renewed by June 30, 2007** your skater or yourself will not be able to compete or test.

One critical piece of information required this season is an **accurate e-mail address**. For any skaters advancing onto Regionals or Sectionals and for our Synchronized Skaters it is critical that you provide accurate and clear e-mail addresses.

**We need you to volunteer for a committee. It is now mandatory as part of your club membership to help serve your skaters and make our club a strong club. Please indicate your top three choices (1, 2 or 3) in the space on the membership application located next to the committee you would like to serve on. The committee chair will contact you during the season. The success of the club and the skaters depend on your participation. Together we can make UMMSA the great club we know it can be.**

As of this mailing, the form to order the 2007-2008 USFSA rulebooks is not available. Please look on [www.usfsa.org](http://www.usfsa.org) - forms – rulebook. It is important that each skating family has the most updated rulebook. The new form should be available in September.

This year's fees have been raised by \$5.00 to absorb rising postage. Listed below are some highlights:

	Home Club UMMSA	Associate Member UMMSA	Home Club/Crossovers– no test only
Skater over 18/Adult Skater	\$65.00	\$45.00	N/A
Family Membership (Skater under 18/ & financially responsible parent)	\$75.00	\$55.00	N/A
Additional Family Member	\$20.00 per member	\$20.00 per member	N/A
Crossover (skater under 18)	N/A	N/A	\$40.00
Coach	\$65.00	\$40.00	N/A

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Home Club Crossovers are for younger skaters not testing. This is our bridge program from the basic skills program. When a skater is ready to test, they must change their membership status to Home Club.

For family membership it's important for the adult to be sure to fill in your birth date. Incomplete applications will take longer to process.

One change we are making this season is that we will not be issuing blanket permission to test and compete forms. This will aid in our ability to schedule test sessions. If you need a competition application signed please allow sufficient time for our board members to sign the application. The purpose is to assure that the skater meets the proper test required to compete at the level on the application. Board members eligible to sign are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The new membership application is enclosed. If you have any questions or require additional information please notify me at 908-735-9751 or my cell at 908-812-1691 or at [susan.welsh@patmedia.net](mailto:susan.welsh@patmedia.net). I will respond within 48 hours. **URGENT NOTICE: I will be unavailable from June 30, 2007 through August 5, 2007. All membership renewal requests, permission letters and general questions are to be directed to Betty Steinberg at 908-995-7218 - e mail [bettysteinberg@gmail.com](mailto:bettysteinberg@gmail.com).** I will not have access to voice mail or e mail and your applications will not be processed.

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