

# Memphis Soaring Society Membership Application

**Type Membership:**    \_\_\_ Full    \_\_\_ Student    \_\_\_ Temporary    \_\_\_ Visiting    \_\_\_ Reciprocal  
(See Part V For Descriptions)

*Membership is subject to approval by the Executive Committee of the Board of the Club.*

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_    **Application Accepted By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(MSS Member)

## \*\*Required Information

### PART I - Personal Information:

\*\*First Name \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Address \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*City \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*State \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*Zip \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*E-Mail Address(es) \_\_\_\_\_

Married YES / NO Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Circle

### PART II - \*\*FAA License and Ratings:

Current Rating(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Tail Wheel Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Glider Hours \_\_\_\_\_ Total Hours \_\_\_\_\_

FAA Certificate Number \_\_\_\_\_ Last Biannual \_\_\_\_\_  
Month / Year

SSA Member YES / NO SSA Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Circle

Past or Current Glider Club Memberships \_\_\_\_\_

**PART III - Waiver and Indemnity:**

NOTE: SIGNING THIS FORM HAS THE EFFECT OF REDUCING OR GIVING UP SOME OR ALL OF YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS. IF THE APPLICANT IS UNDER 18, PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THE APPLICATION FORM.

I hereby make application for membership in Memphis Soaring Society ("MSS") and I agree, upon acceptance of such application and admission to membership, to abide by all applicable rules and regulations of MSS. I understand and accept that my being towed by a MSS tow plane and/or permitted to fly in an aircraft of MSS shall be deemed to be and treated as such acceptance and admission.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK**

I (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_, THE UNDERSIGNED, CONFIRM THAT I UNDERSTAND THAT PARTICIPATION IN GLIDING AND SOARING ACTIVITIES, BOTH IN THE AIR AND ON THE GROUND, IS OR MAY BE HAZARDOUS AND MAY RESULT IN ACCIDENT, INJURY OR DEATH, AND I HEREBY VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT SUCH HAZARD AND RESULT.

**DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this Application for Membership, including the waiver of claims and giving of indemnity herein, (i) "MSS and its Members" means MSS and its members, directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, pilots (including tow pilots and flight instructors) and contractors, or any of them, (ii) "MSS Flying Activities" means anything connected with my presence on the property of MSS, participation in the activities of MSS, flying in the aircraft of MSS, receiving flight instruction and/or glider towing facilities from MSS and its Members, or operation of the aircraft or other equipment of MSS and its Members and (iii) "this Form" shall mean this Application for Membership.

**WAIVER OF CLAIMS**

In consideration of my being admitted as a member of MSS and the benefits of such membership, which consideration I agree is sufficient to induce me to sign this Form, I DO HEREBY, MYSELF, AND ON BEHALF OF MY EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS, GIVE UP FOREVER ALL CLAIMS OF ANY NATURE (other than arising from willful or grossly negligent acts or omissions of MSS and its Members) WHICH I MAY HAVE BOTH NOW OR WHICH MAY ARISE IN THE FUTURE AGAINST MSS AND ITS MEMBERS ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, CONNECTED WITH MSS FLYING ACTIVITIES.

**GIVING OF INDEMNITY**

I hereby indemnify and agree to hold harmless each of MSS and its Members from and in respect of all loss, cost, expense and claims for personal injury (including death) and property damage arising in any way, whether directly or indirectly, from MSS Flying Activities other than caused by willful or grossly negligent acts or omissions of MSS and its Members.

**ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY, ETC.**

I agree to be fully responsible for any MSS owned equipment in the care of my minor children or myself and to warrant its return to MSS in the same condition as at the time my minor child or I first became responsible for it. However, I understand that my responsibility for damage to such equipment will be limited to the amount, if any, then prescribed by MSS and that such limitation will be subject to such conditions and exclusions as may also be so prescribed. I furthermore agree to pay the \$500 deductible for any damage requiring filing of an insurance claim.

I agree to be fully responsible for all debts that my minor children or I may incur to MSS.

In the event of any injury or illness of my minor children, I hereby consent to the treatment thereof and agree that they may be afforded hospital and medical attention, and I agree to pay for the expense thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, I hereby declare that the foregoing indemnity and undertaking of responsibility so far as affecting my minor children, if any, shall cease to have effect upon the majority of each such child.

**CONFIRMATION AND CONSENT**

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE WHOLE OF THIS FORM INCLUDING THE DESCRIPTION OF THE MEMBERSHIP TYPE I AM APPLYING FOR AS OUTLINED IN PART V.

WITNESS MY HAND this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

NOTE: Many health plans and insurance policies exclude coverage in respect of claims arising from flying in non-commercial aircraft, including gliders: if relevant, you should check your plan or policy.

**Parent/Guardian signature required for applicants less than 18 years of age:**

I hereby confirm that I have read, consent to and approve the foregoing application by my son/daughter/ ward.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness' Signature (MSS Member)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

**PART IV - Payment Method:**

(Initial Appropriate Line):

\_\_\_ Cash    \_\_\_ Check (No. \_\_\_\_\_)    \_\_\_ Bill Me\*\*

\_\_\_ Credit Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_ No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_

Write Name, as it appears on credit card, and Billing address below only if different than PART I information.

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**\*\*Note: "Bill Me" option is not available for Visiting and Reciprocal memberships.**

**PART V - Description of Membership Types and Fee Structure:**

**Full Membership:** This is the standard membership. It has all privileges including voting and use of all the club's equipment and aircraft that the member is qualified, by MSS instructors, to fly. Only a full member can hold office or be on the Board of Directors. The full member may or may not have his own glider. Full membership includes the spouse and dependent children. Children who are flying with the club and have reached the age of 21, or 23 in the case of a full time student, must join the club as a full member in order to continue flying with the club. This is accomplished simply by paying the monthly dues; the initiation fee is waived. Except for this special case, full membership requires an initiation fee as well as monthly dues. (See fee structure below.) The monthly dues include an amount that covers the member's annual SSA dues. A full member may suspend membership, and ceases paying dues, and later renew active status one time without paying the initiation fee again. Our insurance requires that a Club CFGI (Certified Flight Instructor- Glider) check out the member in each of the club ships the member wishes to fly. (**Fee:** \$350.00 payable with application, or included on first statement *or* \$400.00 with \$100 payable with application, or included on first statement, and \$25 per month for 12 months. Both options include SSA membership.)

**College Student Membership:** This membership is offered to a limited number of enrolled college students at a reduced initiation fee. If a college student member is not a member of the SSA, he must also pay up front for one year of SSA dues and he will be signed up with the SSA. There is a limit of five active college student memberships at any time. Like full members, the college student member pays normal monthly dues. (See fee structure below.) All normal tow fees and aircraft rentals apply. Upon leaving college for whatever reason (other than summer breaks), the student member must pay the difference between his initiation fee and the full initiation fee, in order to remain in the club. The college student member may assume suspended status, but may not resume active status if it would cause the limit of five active college student memberships to be exceeded. He may, however, pay the additional initiation fee and become a full member. (**Fee:** \$100.00 payable with application, or included on first statement, and \$250 at end of college enrollment. Also, if not already a member of the SSA, \$64 will be billed on first statement.)

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**Temporary Membership:** This membership is for persons who reside elsewhere and are in the area from one month to a year. The temporary member pays a reduced initiation fee plus regular monthly dues. (See fee structure below.) If a temporary member wishes to continue with MSS beyond one year, he must pay the difference between the temporary and full initiation fees; he then becomes a full member. If a temporary member is not a member of the SSA, he must also pay up front for one year of SSA dues and he will be signed up with the SSA. Since the temporary member may become a full member, some of the monthly dues will be retained for the next year's SSA membership. If he does not become a full member, this money goes into the general fund. The temporary member may or may not have his own glider. Tow fees and aircraft rental rates are as published. Our insurance requires that a Club CFG check out the member in each of the club ships the member wishes to fly. Temporary memberships cannot be renewed. (**Fee:** \$100.00 payable with application, or included on first statement, and \$250 required after 1 year, to convert to full membership. Also, if not already a member of the SSA, \$64 will be billed on first statement.)

**Visiting Membership:** This membership is for persons who reside elsewhere and are in the area from two days to one month. The visiting member may or may not have his own glider. This person may be an invited guest, may be participating in a special event like the annual Fun fly, may require training and/or certification, or may be passing through the area. The cost is a one-time charge equivalent to the regular monthly dues. (See fee structure below.) If a visiting member is not a member of the SSA, he must also pay up front for one year of SSA dues and he will be signed up with the SSA. If a visiting member wishes to continue with MSS beyond one month, he must pay the difference between the temporary and full initiation fees; he then becomes a full member. Tow fees and aircraft rental are as published. Our insurance requires that a club CFG check out every member in each type of club ship the member wishes to fly. Visiting memberships cannot be renewed without a break of at least one-month in the membership. (**Fee:** \$50.00 payable with application. Good for one month. [Renewable only if there has been at least one month between visits.] Also, if not already a member of the SSA, \$64 is due with application.)

**Reciprocal Membership:** Same as Visiting Membership, except the applicant must be a member of another soaring club. (**Fee:** \$25.00 payable with application. Good for one month. [Renewable only if there has been at least one month between visits.] Also, if not already a member of the SSA, \$64 is due with application.)