

# NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS FOUNDATION, INC.

## MEMBERSHIP TERMS

- 1. Membership Rights:** NSSF members in good standing shall have the rights and privileges extended to them under the NSSF bylaws or, in the absence of an express bylaw provision, as may from time to time be granted at the sole discretion of the NSSF. Only NSSF patron members shall have voting rights and privileges. Neither memberships nor membership rights are transferable. Some NSSF membership privileges are provided by third parties. The NSSF shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or dispute related to products or services provided by third parties. Members should make their own inquiries regarding the terms and conditions that apply to products or services offered by third parties.
- 2. Term of Membership & Membership Renewal:** Membership in the NSSF is for one (1) full year. Membership shall commence on the date of approval of this application by the NSSF. Memberships may be renewed for additional one (1) year terms thereafter upon full payment of all membership dues.
- 3. Membership Dues:** NSSF Membership dues are established annually by the NSSF and may be adjusted from time to time as needed to support the operations and mission of the Foundation and can take the form of a special assessment. Failure to pay membership dues in a timely manner could result in suspension or expulsion from membership. The commencement date of dues payments for new members shall depend on when their membership applications are approved by the NSSF. Members shall continue to be in good standing until 60 days after receipt of written notice requesting payment of dues owed to the NSSF. Thereafter, a delinquent member shall no longer be in good standing and shall lose all membership rights and privileges.
- 4. Suspension, Expulsion & Resignation:** Non-payment of dues and other conduct detrimental to the best interests of the Foundation shall be grounds for suspension of or expulsion from membership. Patron members may be suspended or expelled from membership for non-payment of dues or other detrimental conduct upon two-thirds vote of the NSSF Board of Governors. Patron members are afforded the opportunity to be heard before such decision is made. Patron members may be expelled from membership for non-payment of dues or other detrimental conduct by NSSF staff, provided that the NSSF Board of Governors may upon request suspend the member, extend the time for payment of dues or take such other action as the Board deems appropriate.

Unless otherwise provided for by the NSSF Board of Governors, an expelled member shall remain obligated to pay dues owed at the time of expulsion and a suspended member shall remain obligated to pay all dues owed at the time of suspension and shall continue to accrue dues obligations during any period of suspension.

Any member may resign at any time; however, such member shall remain obligated to pay dues owed at the time of resignation. No member who resigns, is suspended or expelled from membership shall have any claim for refund of any contribution or have any interest in or right to any assets of the Foundation.

- 5. Conformance with Antitrust Laws:** It is NSSF policy to require that all of its trade association activities be conducted in compliance with U.S. federal and state antitrust laws. It is the responsibility of NSSF members to be aware of the types of activities that are prohibited by antitrust laws in connection with their NSSF membership. NSSF's Antitrust Policy & Guidelines are available to all NSSF members upon request. If members have specific questions relating to antitrust compliance in connection with their NSSF membership they should contact their own legal counsel.
- 6. Use of NSSF Trademarks:** Members in good standing are granted the non-exclusive, non-transferable, royalty-free license to use the NSSF Member Logo to promote their membership in the Foundation and to highlight their commitment to promoting, protecting and preserving the hunting and shooting sports. Members agree that they will do nothing inconsistent that might harm NSSF or NSSF's ownership rights in its name and logo. Each member agrees to use the NSSF Member Logo only as prescribed by NSSF and not to use it in any manner that expresses or implies, or could be construed to express or imply, that the NSSF endorses or certifies a member's products, services or opinions, or in any manner that misrepresents, or has the appearance of misrepresenting, the relationship between a member and the NSSF other than as a member-trade association relationship. Members who fail to maintain their NSSF membership must immediately discontinue any and all use of the NSSF Member Logo.

These membership terms, including the rights and privileges of membership, may be revised, supplemented, suspended or terminated at any time upon reasonable notice to members.