

Gymnastics Nova Scotia - Associate member registration

September 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025

*Required for successful application	<input type="checkbox"/> Completed associate member registration form (below) <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of liability insurance with a minimum of \$5M coverage (include a copy of your Certificate of Insurance with your application)
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1. Associate Member Contact Information

Organization/School name:		<input type="checkbox"/> New member <input type="checkbox"/> Previous member	
Mailing address:	City:	Postal Code:	
Organization/School Telephone #:	Organization/School Fax #:	Email:	
Contact person:	Daytime telephone #:	Email:	

2. Program information

Name of Gymnastics Nova Scotia member club(s):	
How do you participate in Gymnastics Nova Scotia programming?	<input type="checkbox"/> At a Gymnastics Nova Scotia member club <input type="checkbox"/> At associate member location (Please provide address if different from above):
Which of the following gymnastics programs will your organization/ school be participating in with this Gymnastics Nova Scotia full member club?	<input type="checkbox"/> School field trips <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Tumblebugs</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Circus arts <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Is your organization/school interested in the <i>Tumblebugs</i> program or gymnastics workshops from Gymnastics Nova Scotia?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

3. For associate members who schedule programming with a Gymnastics Nova Scotia member club:

Include with your application:

☐ Proof of liability insurance with a minimum of \$5M coverage (include a copy of your Certificate of Insurance with your application)

As an associate member, I acknowledge and assume responsibility for:

- Providing a copy of the approved associate membership to the Gymnastics Nova Scotia member club (this form will be returned to you by Gymnastics Nova Scotia upon approval)
- Providing information for each group/class including (organization, contact name, contact information, event date(s), type of program, name and age/grade of participants) to the Gymnastics Nova Scotia member club
- Assuming responsibility to inform parents/participants of the inherent risk in sport and obtain permission to participate

Associate member contact name (please print):	Signature:	Date:
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For GNS use only

Date approved:	Approved by:	Effective until:
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GNS associate membership is designated for organizations that are already covered under a corporate insurance plan, including but not limited to: public recreation departments, community centres, YM/YWCAs and schools.

Associate membership provides a communications and information network and access to Gymnastics for All services for programmers, participants, teachers and coaches involved in the community recreational and school aspects of gymnastics.

Associate members are not eligible to participate in GNS recreational or competitive events, except GNS's Nova Scotia Gymnaestrada. Programs with participants and/or coaches involved in GNS events (exception Gymnaestrada), training in the same facility as associate members, may be registered under the GNS club membership guidelines.

Sport development groups who wish to use trampoline devices should register as associate members and provide proof of liability insurance with \$5 M coverage.

Benefits of Associate Membership

- Insurance coverage through the GNS policy. A summary of the current insurance coverage is available on the GNS Webpage.
- Information regarding GNS conferences and events.
- Member pricing on all GNS and GymCan resources sold by GNS, including badges, manuals and videos.
- Opportunity to request workshops and school in-services (i.e. Tumblebugs; "Using Up Down All Around Lesson Plans in the Classroom").

Obligations of Associate Membership

The following conditions must be met:

- The facility/group applying for associate membership may NOT be a subsidiary of a GNS member club.
- The program/activity must be sanctioned by GNS and conducted in a GNS member club or the associate member's school/facility by the member club's certified coaches.
- Adequate instructor to student ratio must be maintained.
- Coverage is provided to encourage introductory classes only.
- Individual participants are limited to a maximum of eight (8) training classes per year at any one GNS member club. If they would like to attend more classes, they must register as recreational members of a GNS member club.
- Associate member to provide a participant list for each program to the GNS member club delivering the program(s). This participant list will be retained in the club's annual records.
 - A summary report of field trip data will be submitted to GNS by the member club on a monthly basis.
- Associate members assume responsibility to inform participants and/or parents of participants, of the inherent risk of sport and obtain written parental permission and Assumption of Risks/Waiver forms.
- Coaches must assess participant's readiness to determine level of participation and limitations required for the associate member program (including determination by a Level 2 coach or Competition 1 trained coach if inverted skills are allowed).
- On each visit the member club must provide/review gym orientation, rules, and safety information to participants, and enforce gym rules.
- Post Gym Safety posters and review during pre-activity gym orientation.

How to Register as an Associate Member

1. Submit a completed GNS associate member registration form (available on the GNS website) to GNS.
2. Provide proof of liability insurance with a minimum of \$5 M coverage with application.
3. Once approved, GNS will return the form to the associate member which is to be submitted to the member club as proof of membership.

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