

# USHPA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM



Membership is effective **ONLY** upon payment of dues, signing of the USHPA Release, Waiver and Assumption of Risk Agreement, and acceptance of your application by USHPA. Current members may renew no earlier than 90 days prior to expiration.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE OFFICIAL USHPA RELEASE, WAIVER AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT AND HAVE SIGNED IT AND PROVIDED IT TO USHPA.

## WELCOME NEW PILOT!

Get All the Best USHPA Gear from our Online Store  
[www.ushpastore.com](http://www.ushpastore.com)

*T-Shirts, Bumper Stickers, Hats, Jackets & More!*

Please complete this form then **SIGN AND DATE THE WAIVER** on the back

Name		USHPA#	
Address			
Address		Phone	
City		Email	
State/Province		Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)	
Zip/Mailcode	Country	Gender	Male Female

How did you hear about USHPA?

## CHOOSE YOUR WING & MEMBERSHIP TYPE

All memberships require a signed waiver and include  
Magazine Subscription, Voting Rights & 3rd Party Liability Insurance

**Full Pilot Member - Non-Instructor Membership** – Required for pilot ratings & special skills

**Full Rogallo Member - Instructor Membership** – Required for Instructor Certifications

**Full Contributing Member – Non-Flying Membership**

HG PG BOTH

Pilot - \$150

Rogallo - \$294

Contributor - \$82

Family Member Discount (\$18)

Family Member Discount – No Magazine

Save \$18 when one other full-paying Member resides at the same address."

USHPA # of Full-Paying Family  
Member (required for discount)

## CHOOSE YOUR POSTAGE PREFERENCE

### United States Residents

Standard (no charge)

First Class (\$20)

### International Residents

Standard (\$35)

Airmail (\$60)

## MAKE A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION

USHPA is a non-profit 501(c) 3 and will match up to \$500 of your contributions to the Foundation for Free Flight (\$30,000 annual maximum)

### Matched Contributions to Foundation for Free Flight

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ General

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Paragliding Competition

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Safety & Education

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Hang Gliding Competition

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Site Preservation

### Non-Matched Contributions

USHPA General Fund

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

CloudBase Foundation

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Processing Fees (may apply)

\$15 Paper Processing Fee (renewing members only - fee waived for New Members)

\$15 Rating Fee (for processing an attached rating form)

Total Processing Fees (from left) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment - Grand Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Make check or money order payable to USHPA in US funds.

**Email & Privacy Preferences** - Via email, USHPA can contact you about membership & flying-related issues. **OPT IN or OUT** to more by checking the boxes below.

Send me information about USHPA competitions.

Do not send me the quarterly e-Newsletter "The Landing Zone"

Send me information about USHPA membership benefits, services or offers

Do not send me Regional Director candidate information during elections

Exclude my ratings from the "Ratings Issued" page on the USHPA website

Do not send me PilotConnect Messages

**New Applicants must print & mail in originals. No faxes or emails will be accepted.**

Overnight or Priority Mail:

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**UNITED STATES HANG GLIDING AND PARAGLIDING ASSOCIATION  
RELEASE, WAIVER AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT**

In consideration of the benefits of membership in USHPA, the undersigned pilot (*Pilot*) (and the parent or legal guardian of *Pilot* if *Pilot* is a minor), for themselves, their personal representatives, heirs, executors, next of kin, spouses, minor children and assigns, do agree as follows:

- A. I have read the Federal Aviation Administration rules that grant me permission to fly hang gliders and paragliders (Part 103 of the FAA Regulations) and I understand that FAA permission for my hang gliding or paragliding flight is premised upon me assessing the dangers involved and my assumption of all responsibility for my personal safety.
- B. I represent that I have fulfilled my obligation under the law - that I have personally assessed the dangers involved in hang gliding and/or paragliding, and I assume all responsibility for my personal safety.

C. **DEFINITIONS** - The following definitions apply to terms used in this Agreement:

1. "**PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT**" means launching/kiting (and/or assisting another in launching/kiting), flying (whether as pilot in command or otherwise) and/or landing (including, but not limited to, crashing) a hang glider or paraglider.
2. "**SPORTS INJURIES**" means **personal injury, bodily injury, death, property damage** and/or **any other personal or financial injury** sustained by *Pilot* as a result of *Pilot's PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT* and/or as a result of the administration of any USHPA programs (for example: the Pilot Proficiency System), and, if *Pilot* is under 18 years of age, "**SPORTS INJURIES**" also includes the **personal injury, bodily injury, death, property damage** and/or **any other personal or financial injury** sustained by *Pilot's* parents and legal guardians, as a result of *Pilot's PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT* and/or as a result of the administration of any USHPA programs.
3. "**RELEASED PARTIES**" means the following, including their owners, officers, directors, agents, spouses, employees, officials (elected or otherwise), members, independent contractors, sub-contractors, lessors and lessees:
  - a) The United States Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association, a California Non-profit Corporation (USHPA);
  - b) Each USHPA Certified Instructor, Mentor, Observer, Examiner, or Administrator that has ever been involved in *Pilot's* flying activities;
  - c) Each of the person(s) sponsoring and/or participating in the administration of *Pilot's* proficiency rating(s);
  - d) Each of the hang gliding and/or paragliding organizations that are chapters of USHPA;
  - e) The United States Of America and each of the city(ies), town(s), county(ies), State(s) and/or other political subdivisions or governmental agencies within whose jurisdictions *Pilot* launches, flies and/or lands;
  - f) Each of the property owners on or over whose property *Pilot* may launch, fly and/or land; and
  - g) All persons involved, in any manner, in the sports of hang gliding and/or paragliding at the location(s) where *Pilot PARTICIPATES IN THE SPORT*, except for hang glider pilots and paraglider pilots who are not members of USHPA. "All persons involved" includes, but is not limited to, spectators, hang glider pilots, paraglider pilots, powered ultralight pilots, assistants, drivers, instructors, schools, observers, examiners, administrators, owners of hang gliding equipment and owners of paragliding equipment.
- D. I FOREVER RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE **RELEASED PARTIES** FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITIES, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, OR CAUSES OF ACTION THAT I MAY HEREAFTER HAVE FOR **SPORTS INJURIES**, HOWEVER CAUSED, EVEN IF CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE ACTION, INACTION OR NEGLIGENCE (WHETHER ACTIVE OR PASSIVE) OF ANY OF THE **RELEASED PARTIES**, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.
- E. I **WILL NOT SUE OR MAKE A CLAIM** against any of the **RELEASED PARTIES** for loss or damage on account of **SPORTS INJURIES**. If I violate this agreement by filing such a suit or making such a claim, I will pay all attorneys' fees and costs of the **RELEASED PARTIES**.
- F. I agree that Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. All disputes and matters whatsoever concerning **SPORTS INJURIES** or otherwise arising under, in connection with or incident to this Agreement shall be litigated, if at all, in and before a Court located in the State of California, U.S.A. to the exclusion of the Courts of any other State or Country, and I consent to the Personal Jurisdiction of Courts located in the State of California, U.S.A. in connection with all such disputes and matters. Any lawsuit concerning **SPORTS INJURIES** or otherwise arising under, in connection with or incident to this Agreement must be filed, if at all, within twelve (12) months of the accrual of such cause of action. Each of the **RELEASED PARTIES**, whether or not parties to this Agreement, are intended beneficiaries of this Agreement and each of them may enforce each and every provision of this Agreement against me as though they were parties to this Agreement.
- G. If any part, article, paragraph, sentence or clause of this Agreement is not enforceable, the affected provision shall be curtailed and limited only to the extent necessary to bring it within the requirements of the law, and the remainder of the Agreement shall continue in full force and effect.
- H. This Agreement shall apply to any and all **SPORTS INJURIES** occurring at any time after the execution of this Agreement. This Agreement is in addition to and is not intended to replace any other agreements related to liability for **SPORTS INJURIES** that *Pilot* (or *Pilot's* parents or legal guardians) may have signed, either in the past or in the future. To the extent that there is any conflict between such agreements, *Pilot* (and *Pilot's* parents or legal guardians) intends to be subject to the agreement that provides the most expansive release of claims and assumption of risk allowed by law.
- I. I REPRESENT THAT *Pilot* is at least 18 years of age, or, that I am the parent or legal guardian of *Pilot* and am making this Agreement on behalf of myself and *Pilot*. If I am the parent or legal guardian of *Pilot*, I AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND REIMBURSE the **RELEASED PARTIES** for their defense and indemnity from any claim or liability in the event that *Pilot* suffers **SPORTS INJURIES** as a result of *Pilot's PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT*, even if caused in whole or in part by the action, inaction or negligence (whether active or passive) of any of the **RELEASED PARTIES**, to the fullest extent allowed by law.
- J. I VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, OF **SPORTS INJURIES**, HOWEVER CAUSED, EVEN IF CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE ACTION, INACTION, OR NEGLIGENCE (WHETHER PASSIVE OR ACTIVE) OF THE **RELEASED PARTIES**, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND THE POTENTIAL DANGERS OF ENGAGING IN HANG GLIDING AND/OR PARAGLIDING AND THAT ACTION, INACTION OR NEGLIGENCE OF OTHERS CAN INCREASE THOSE DANGERS. I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS LEGALLY BINDING AND WILL PREVENT ME FROM RECOVERING MONETARY DAMAGES FROM THE ABOVE LISTED ENTITIES AND/OR INDIVIDUALS, WHETHER SPECIFICALLY NAMED OR NOT, FOR PERSONAL INJURY, BODILY INJURY, PROPERTY DAMAGE, WRONGFUL DEATH, OR ANY OTHER PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INJURY SUSTAINED BY PILOT IN CONNECTION WITH HANG GLIDING/PARAGLIDING.

**WARNING: BY SIGNING, YOU ARE WAIVING SIGNIFICANT LEGAL RIGHTS. DO NOT SIGN WITHOUT READING!**

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Pilot's Signature

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Date


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Print Pilot's Name

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Signature of Pilot's Parent or Legal Guardian if Pilot under 18 years of age

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pilot's USHPA Number

RELEASE WAIVER MUST BE PRINTED & SIGNED BY HAND

	<b>Credit Card Payment Slip</b>		<b>Please attach applicable forms or applications</b>	
	<i>Please use this slip instead of adding information to the applications provided by the US Hang Gliding &amp; Paragliding Association. We are dedicated to protecting your privacy. We destroy this slip after processing and keep the original application in your file. Thank you! Questions? (800) 616-6888 or info@ushpa.aero</i>			
<b>Select Card</b>  Visa  MasterCard	<b>Payment For</b> <i>(Member Name &amp; Number, Event Name, Chapter Name, etc.)</i>			<b>Total Paid</b>
	<b>Card Holder Name</b>		<b>Contact Phone or Email</b>	
	<b>Card Billing Address</b> <i>(Street Number or PO Box; Zip Code)</i>			
	<b>Card Number</b>		<b>Exp Date</b>	<b>CCV Code</b>

**Additional Notes Regarding This Payment:**