

**ROCKFORD SPORTSMAN'S CLUB**  
**New Membership Process**  
**October 2020**

Rockford Sportsman's Club desires to continue the growth of the club membership, but, not at the expense of firearm safety. In order to ensure the safety of the existing membership, the application is designed to gather the necessary data to allow a meaning interview with the RSC Membership committee. Following are the steps the club follows prior to admitting new members:

Step 1 The applicant fills out the application form making sure that all information is complete, readable and accurate.

NOTE: It is expected that an applicant will look up the answer on a quiz question that they don't know to add to their personal knowledge of firearm safety.

NOTE: None of the information provided on the application will result in an automatic exclusion from membership. There are special circumstances, even with a felony conviction, that would allow a potential member to qualify. We want to talk about your special situation during the interview in order to make an informed decision.

Step 2 The applicant delivers the completed application and the \$10 fee using the U.S. mail or personal delivery to a member at the club. Incomplete applications will be returned without further processing.

Step 3 The club will perform the background check and invite the applicant to the next Membership committee meeting which is held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

Step 4 Applicant Interview: The applicant(s) will meet with the membership committee which is made up of several experienced club members. At the meeting the following topics will be discussed 1) club facilities, 2) club activities, 3) 1<sup>st</sup> year member rules, 4) club & range rules and an open Q&A forum.

The new applicants will receive a tour of the club campus and a set of the Range Safety rules to take home. Please study the rules and bring the completed sign off sheet to the club when invited to attend a Members meeting, usually the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the following month, for membership confirmation.

Step 5 Members Meeting: The qualified applicants will be recommended to the attending members with a request to confirm admittance into the club. Assuming the applicant is confirmed and they pay the club dues the new member will be welcomed into the club and receive their membership cards along with the new member information packet.



# Rockford Sportsman's Club

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## Application for Membership

### General Information:

Memberships are family memberships which includes the primary member, their spouse and children under 18. A child attending college or on active military status will qualify up to the age of 24.

The dues are \$180.00 annually with credit for service hours @\$5.00 per hour. (20 hrs Max)

### Instructions:

Each application must be completed in it's entirety. Incomplete applications will be returned. Submit the completed application along with the background check fee of \$10.00 to the Membership Secretary who will invite the applicant to the next monthly Membership Committee meeting. The Membership Committee interview will be conducted in group fashion. The committee will interview each candidate and outline for the group the next steps in the application process, club rules, activities and include a tour of the club facilities.

### Section 1 - Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ (Occupation) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ (Occupation) \_\_\_\_\_

Child 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Child 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Child 3 \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_

Phone Number ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Immediate family felony conviction:  Yes  No or conservation law conviction:  Yes  No

### Section 2 - Firearm Experience:

Beginner

Intermediate

Advanced

Handgun

Rifle

Shotgun

- Firearm Safety:

Complete the safety quiz on page 2 of the application

Section 3 - Reason joining the club: \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 4 - Membership Pledge

I do certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and will subscribe to the club By-Laws and Rules and accept as an obligation of membership the promotion of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

Applicant Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter: The RSC newsletter is available online. Memberships with an Email address will receive notification when it is available. Memberships without Email will receive the newsletter via US Mail.

For additional information visit the RSC website [www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com](http://www.rockfordsportsmansclub.com)

Or contact: Kevin Kubiszewski - Email [kubiszew@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kubiszew@sbcglobal.net)

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**RSC SAFETY QUIZ**

<p>1. A safe practice when handling a gun is to rest your finger on the outside of the trigger guard or along the side of the gun until you are ready to shoot. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>9. Just because a cartridge fits into your firearm does not necessarily mean it is safe to shoot. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>2. To “know your target, its surroundings and beyond,” you must consider that if the bullet misses or completely passes through the target, it could strike a person or object. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>10. If you keep a loaded firearm in your bedroom for self defense, you are responsible if anyone, including children, finds that firearm and fires it? True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>3. Drinking alcohol while handling firearms is safe if your blood alcohol level remains below the legal limit. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>11. Two common firearms safety devices are trigger locks and cable locks. (page 31) True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>4. Which of the following safety points should you remember when handling a gun? A. Never shoot a gun in celebration. B. Do not fire at water, flat or hard surfaces. C. Wear ear &amp; eye protection when shooting a gun. D. All of the above. A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>12. In the case of a malfunction, you should: A. Keep your finger on the trigger. B. Immediately drop the firearm. C. Try and determine where the malfunction is. D. Keep the gun pointed in a safe direction. A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5. As a safety measure, your firearm should always be pointed: A. To the north B. In the safest possible direction C. Up D. Down A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>13. Firearm or ammunition caliber refers to: A. Barrel length. B. Magazine capacity. C. Barrel or bullet diameter. D. Bullet velocity. A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>6. One of the safety rules is to know how to properly: A. Clear a malfunction. B. Operate your gun. C. Load your gun. D. Clean your gun A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>14. Which steps should be taken to “childproof” a firearm? A. Use a safety device AND store in a locked container. B. Always store your firearm unloaded. C. Store ammunition separately locked container. D. All of the above. A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>7. The importance of the “dangerous range” is that a bullet can travel far beyond the intended target. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>15. There is no such thing as being too careful with children and guns. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>8. The safety on a semiautomatic pistol is not foolproof. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>16. An important lesson children should learn is that guns are not toys. True <input type="checkbox"/> False <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Section 5: Membership Committee Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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