

Getting Started in AAU Diving



1. AAU Club Membership

Each club/team must be a registered AAU Club. You can have more than one team within the same club. Club membership can be completed instantly online at www.aausports.org, then click Join AAU. Club membership fees are \$30 (Level 1), \$60 (Level 2) or \$300 (Level 3). Please refer to the online application or visit www.aausports.org for a list of benefits for each club level. Club membership is valid September 1 to August 31.

2. AAU Individual Membership

To participate in the AAU, all athletes and coaches must be individual members of the AAU. As a member, you can participate in any sport in the AAU. Youth athlete membership is \$12 per athlete. Non-athlete (coach, volunteer, official) membership is \$14. As a benefit of membership, AAU members are covered with sports liability and accident insurance at no additional charge. Participants can choose the Extended Benefit membership which includes insurance that extends coverage when participating in non-AAU sanctioned events for \$2 more. For complete information on insurance, visit www.aausports.org and click on the Insurance Overview tab.

To become a member, you can register online at www.aausports.org. You will instantly be able to print your own membership card and start participating immediately! Be sure to register as a club first, so you can enter your club code when registering individuals. **You can now register for multiple years. Join for 1, 2 or 3 years.** The membership year is from September 1 to August 31.

3. Hosting AAU Meets and Leagues

As an AAU Club Level 2 or 3, you can apply to host your own meets or leagues. Meets can be hosted any time of the year. Meets can be sanctioned for \$50 per day. You can also sanction a league for a maximum of \$350. Apply to sanction your meet or league online at www.aausports.org.

Local sanction requests will be reviewed and determined by your District and Regional or National sanctions are review and determined by your AAU National Aquatics Committee and/or Chair. Meet entry fees should be kept low, but high enough to cover the cost of facility rental. Remember, the AAU's mission is to provide quality opportunities for everyone to participate in sports.

4. Local District Sport Directors

The local District Sport Director can provide you with additional information regarding your area. If there is not a Sport Director in your area and you are interested in developing a program in your District, please contact your Sports Manager Anastasia Saunders or Debby Batz at the AAU National Office at 407-934-7200, or the National Chair, Lewis Fellingner, at 216-288-3483. You can also visit your local AAU District's website for more information.

5. Third Party Certificate of Liability Insurance

Once you are an AAU registered club and your event is sanctioned, you can request a Certificate of Liability Insurance for facilities you will be using for practices or tournaments. This form is only needed if required by the facility. Submit the request online at www.aausports.org. Once processed, the insurance certificate will be available to print from www.aausports.org. You will need your club code in order to access the certificate.