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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (2010 – 2011)**

**SEBAGO CANOE CLUB**

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

718-241-3683

www.sebagocanoecub.org

Paerdegat Basin @  
1400 Paerdegat Ave North  
Foot of Avenue N  
Brooklyn, NY 11236-4181

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
2. Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Fax # \_\_\_\_\_
- 2a. E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Married ( ) Single ( )
3. American Canoe Association Number (if any) \_\_\_\_\_ ACA Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_
4. Type of membership desired: Family ( ); Individual, 18 and over ( ); Junior, 17 and under or student ( ); Booster ( )  
Applicants for family membership - please list: Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Children under 18 (give names and birthdays) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Boat(s) owned \_\_\_\_\_  
Do you require boat storage? Yes ( ) No ( ) Inside ( ) Outside ( ) Now ( ) Later ( )
6. Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Job title \_\_\_\_\_  
Business address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_
7. School (last) \_\_\_\_\_  
School Address \_\_\_\_\_
8. I am interested in or have experience in the following; Sea Kayaking ( ) Rowing ( ) Sailing ( ) Kayak Fishing ( )  
Recreational Canoeing ( ) Olympic Kayak and Canoe Racing ( ) Cruising ( ) Whitewater ( )  
Camping ( ) Hiking ( ) Conservation and Nature Study ( ) Safety patrol ( ) Educational programs ( )  
Administration ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_
9. Membership(s) in other organizations \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Swimming ability \_\_\_\_\_ Red Cross certificate(s) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Do you presently canoe or kayak? Yes ( ) No ( ) Skill level: Novice ( ) Intermediate ( ) Advanced ( )  
Red Cross or other certificate(s) \_\_\_\_\_
12. I heard about the SEBAGO CANOE CLUB from \_\_\_\_\_
13. I certify that I have read the instructions on the other side of this application and that I have read the Club's  
*Operating and Safety Rules* (or will read them as soon as possible) and that I am hereby obligated to comply with those rules.
14. Signature - (adult) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature - Junior Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Note - Signature of Guardian or Parent is required for Junior Applicants:  
\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian or Parent Signature

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount Owed \_\_\_\_\_  
Balance Due \_\_\_\_\_  
Credit

## **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. Membership Categories:**

- Family (Conditional) - FC: This includes a couple plus their children under the age of 18 or those children who are full-time college students under 22 years of age.
- Individual (Conditional) - C: Individuals 18 years and older.
- Junior - J: Boys and Girls 17 years of age and younger or full time college students under 22 years of age
- Boosters - B: Boosters get all club publications and notices and may attend club meetings but have no other actual privileges of membership.

New members (with the exception of Boosters) remain on Conditional membership status with reduced privileges for a probationary period of (at least) one year from the date they become Conditional members. See the Club's Constitution and By-laws for details concerning membership status.

2. Every prospective member must fill out the Sebago Canoe Club application on the other side of this sheet and file it with the Club Treasurer along with the appropriate payment (see below). Note: Members and prospective members **must fill out and sign the ACA insurance waiver and release of liability** (on a separate page) every year. Waivers can be found on our website ([www.sebagocanoeclub.org](http://www.sebagocanoeclub.org)) or in the Brooklyn clubhouse.

3. The club recommends that the parent or guardian of each prospective Junior member visit the Club boathouse at Paerdegat Basin when the application for membership is submitted. The reasons for such a visit include:

- To meet Club Officers and Members
- To inspect the Club facilities and equipment
- To learn about Club safety rules and other regulations
- To observe the activities that your child may participate in

4. **Membership Dues** - The Sebago "dues-year" is October 1st through September 30th. Members who are already on the Club roster must pay their dues and fees promptly upon receipt of their annual membership renewal bill. New members must pay the **full amount** listed in the table below. However, new members will be credited for the next dues-year depending on how many months have gone by since the beginning of the current dues-year. For example, someone joining in March will receive a credit of 5 months for dues and storage fees on his/her next annual bill. Those joining August 1st to September 30th pay less to start and so will receive a smaller credit. The credit is non-refundable. New Family and Individual members pay an *Initiation Fee* of \$40 plus a *Work Deposit* of \$30 plus a *PAM Fee*. (The Work Deposit is explained below) whatever time of year they join. Remember, you must pay the full amount owed before your application for membership can be considered. **Sebago is a Paddle America Club (PAC) of the American Canoe Association (ACA). We collect PAM fees from all members and remit these funds directly to the ACA to ensure that the club and all members are covered for all activities on the water by insurance issued by the ACA. New York Sales Tax of 8.875% is included in the amounts shown for boat storage fees.**

*Please note – BOAT STORAGE is NOT included in your membership dues. Boat storage is dependent upon availability. For the 1<sup>st</sup> boat stored inside, there is a storage fee of \$90. For the 2<sup>nd</sup> boat inside, the fee is an additional \$120 and for the 3<sup>rd</sup> boat inside, the fee is an additional \$150. Outside boat storage on a rack or on the ground is \$60 for each boat. A boat on a trailer (if permitted) is \$90 {Example: For 2 boats inside and 1 boat outside the fee is \$90 + \$120 + \$60 = \$270}. Those joining August 1st to September 30th pay only half the storage fees listed above.*

**Dues and Fees Table for New Members joining during the periods: (10/1/09 to 7/31/10) or (8/1/10 to 9/30/10)**

Category of Membership	Full Year Dues	PAM Fees	Initiation Fee	Work Deposit	Oct1 - July31	Aug1 - Sept30
<b>Family</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>\$360</b>	<b>\$235</b>
<b>Individual</b>	<b>\$175</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>\$275</b>	<b>\$187.50</b>
<b>Junior</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>\$40</b>
<b>Booster</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>\$20</b>

5. **Operating and Safety Rules** - Each member and his/her guest(s) is required to comply with the Club *Operating and Safety Rules*. It is your responsibility to obtain and read these rules as soon as possible after filing this membership application. Copies are available at the boathouse on Paerdegat Basin.

*Some important rules are: All members and their guest(s) are required to sign in and out every time they visit the boathouse. Guests must sign an insurance waiver. Junior members may not be on the water or engage in activities at the boathouse (off the water) unless a Senior member accompanies them or is present at the boathouse.*

6. **Work Requirement**- The Club is a volunteer organization. All members are required to perform work for the Club (minimum per year is 15 hours or one Official Club Workday plus 9 hours). There is a work list posted at the Brooklyn Boathouse and/or a member can contact the Vice Commodore for a schedule of workdays and/or tasks available. To insure fairness and equal treatment with the Work Requirement the Club requires that new Individual and Family members deposit an assessment of \$30 with the Club Treasurer. This **Work Deposit** is held in escrow by the Club to insure that members complete their yearly Club work. A member who does the work will have his Work Deposit carried over as a credit for the next dues-year. **IMPORTANT:** Those who do not do the work or do less than 7.5 hours during their first full year of membership will be charged **\$150** as their second year Work Deposit when they receive their annual bill. Those who perform at least half ( 7.5 hours) but not all of the work requirement will be charged **\$75** as their second year Work Deposit. Members may apply to the Club Board of Directors for exemption from the Work Requirement for reasons of health, age or distance from the Club.

**PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION TOGETHER WITH FULL PAYMENT TO THE CLUB TREASURER:**

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# AMERICAN CANOE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM



All participants in ACA-insured activities must be ACA members in one of the following categories (choose one):

I am currently an ACA member. My member number appears below. (Check here if renewing with this form <input type="checkbox"/> ) <input type="checkbox"/>	I would like a one-year ACA Paddle America Club Membership for: (check & circle one) Individual \$30   Family (2 adults + minors) \$40 <input type="checkbox"/>	I would like a one-year ACA Membership for: (check & circle one) Individual \$40   Family (2 adults + minors) \$60 <input type="checkbox"/>
I would like a one-year Student Membership for \$25 (under 18, or under 23 with copy of student ID) <input type="checkbox"/>	I would like an ACA Introductory Membership for \$15 (Six month full membership with benefits, including <i>Paddler</i> Magazine) <input type="checkbox"/>	I would like an ACA Event Membership for \$5 (one activity membership, no member benefits) <input type="checkbox"/>

## AMERICAN CANOE ASSOCIATION ADULT WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABILITY READ BEFORE SIGNING

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate in any way in the American Canoe Association, Inc. sports and recreation program and related activities ("Activities") I, for myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin:

1. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I understand the nature of paddlesports and related activities and that I am qualified, in good health, in proper physical condition to participate in such activity and willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions of participation. I further agree and warrant that if at any time I believe conditions to be unsafe, I will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activity. If I decide to leave early and not complete the trip as planned, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to leave.

2. FULLY UNDERSTAND that: (a) Paddlesports and related ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS OF DAMAGE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY AND SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS, AND DEATH ("RISKS"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes place, or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW; (c) there may be OTHER RISKS AND SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES I incur as a result of my participation or that of the minor in the Activity.

3. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the American Canoe Association, Inc., its Paddle America Clubs, affiliated clubs and organizational affiliates, their respective ACA certified instructors, certified instructor trainers, and certified instructor trainer educators, administrators, directors, agents, officers, members, volunteers, and employees, other participants, any sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the "RELEASEES" herein) FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, INJURIES, DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, OR OTHER DAMAGES ON MY ACCOUNT CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS; AND I FURTHER AGREE that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT AND HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE AND INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ ACA # (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name / Description of Activity or Event \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Club / Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Activity Date \_\_\_\_\_