

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION</b> STAF Student Affairs		<b>POLICY NUMBER</b> STAF 10.06	
<b>POLICY TITLE</b> Campus Recreation General Access & Usage			
<b>SCOPE</b> USC Columbia		<b>DATE OF REVISION</b> September 19, 2023	
<b>RESPONSIBLE OFFICER</b> Vice President for Student Affairs		<b>ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE</b> Student Health and Well-Being	

## PURPOSE

This policy outlines member types, requirements, privileges, responsibilities and conduct of all campus recreation patrons or guests.

## DEFINITIONS

**Affiliate:** A person who is able to obtain an “Affiliate” Carolina Card.

**Alumni:** A person who is over the age of 18, current member of the USC Alumni Association, and able to obtain a “Alumni” Carolina Card.

**Campus Recreation:** An administrative unit housed in the Student Health and Well-Being within the Division of Student Affairs and Academic Support.

**Campus Recreation Facilities:** For the purpose of this policy, campus recreation facilities are the Solomon Blatt Physical Education Center (Blatt PE Center) as well as the Strom Thurmond Wellness and Fitness Center (Wellness and Fitness Center).

**Faculty:** A person currently employed on the Columbia campus, in good standing and able to obtain a “Faculty” Carolina Card.

**Guest:** A person who is over the age of 18, able to provide a physical government issued ID, and sponsored by a university entity or Campus Recreation member.

**Member:** Individual who has meet the requirements to utilize Campus Recreation Facilities, categories include student members, non-student members, and guest.

**Plus One:** A person who is able to obtain a “Plus One” Carolina Card.

**Solomon Blatt Physical Education Center (Blatt PE Center):** Facility share by Campus Recreation, Athletics and several academic programs located at 1400 Wheat Street, Columbia, SC. Includes surrounding fields.

**Spouse:** An individual who is able to obtain a “Spouse” Carolina Card from the University Carolina Card Office.

**Strom Thurmond Wellness and Fitness Center (Wellness and Fitness Center):** Campus Recreation run facility located at 1000 Blossom Street, Columbia, SC. Includes surrounding fields.

**Staff:** A person currently employed on the Columbia campus, in good standing and able to obtain a “Staff” Carolina Card.

**Student:** A person who is currently enrolled at the university, or who is accepted for admission or readmission to the university, or who has been enrolled at the university in a prior semester or summer session and is eligible to continue enrollment in the semester or summer session that immediately follows, or who is attending an educational program sponsored by the university while that person is on campus; one who is in good standing and able to obtain a “Student” Carolina Card.

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

The university supports Campus Recreation Facilities as a means of advancing the wellbeing of our community. USC considers participation in Campus Recreation facilities, programs, and services purely voluntary, and individuals participate at their own risk. Participants should be aware of the possibilities of bodily injury and understand that they are responsible for any and all costs arising out of injury or property damage, or loss sustained through participation. Facilities and services will be available on a regular basis; however, they may be discontinued for a given period because of directives from the university, major maintenance projects, or unforeseen circumstances.

### **A. Requirements for Membership at Campus Recreation Facilities**

#### **1. Student Members**

- a. All USC students are eligible to utilize Campus Recreation Facilities during periods that they are taking active academic classes.
- b. To enter Campus Recreation Facilities, students must be able to provide a physical Carolina Card or Campus Recreation specific ID to gain access.
  - i. Memberships are non-transferable and non-refundable.
  - ii. Memberships will be cancelled upon enrollment status change.

#### **2. Non-Student Members**

- a. Non-Student Members consist of faculty, staff, spouse, plus one, alumni, retiree, and affiliate may purchase a membership to utilize Campus Recreation Facilities.
- b. To enter Campus Recreation Facilities, non-student members must have a current Campus Recreation membership, which can be purchased through the Campus Recreation website, and a physical Carolina Card.
  - i. Memberships are non-transferable, non-refundable and membership fees are subject to change.
  - ii. Memberships will be cancelled upon separation from university service. Temporary faculty and staff memberships will end based on contract dates.

3. Guests

- a. Guests are eligible to utilize Campus Recreation Facilities if they meet either of the two conditions: (a) they are sponsored by a university entity or campus recreation member and pay the advertised daily fee, (b) they are a faculty or staff member and pay the advertised daily fee.
- b. Sponsor is responsible for their guest. Any policy violations by a guest may result in loss of guest pass privileges or suspension from Campus Recreation Facilities (including programs) for the sponsor.

B. Privileges and Responsibilities of Membership at Campus Recreation Facilities

1. Privileges

- a. Members are able to participate in programs and services for which they are eligible; these programs and services may require registration and/or additional fees.
- b. Guests are able to participate in programs and services; for which they are eligible' these may require registration and/or additional fees.

2. Responsibilities

- a. Members and guests that violate Campus Recreation policies or do not follow the instructions of a Campus Recreation employee in situations where there is a risk to health or safety may lose access to Campus Recreation facilities, programs, and services; student members may also be referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

**PROCEDURE**

Procedures for member types, requirements, privileges, responsibilities and conduct of all campus recreation patrons or guests can be located at the following site:

[https://sc.edu/about/offices\\_and\\_divisions/campus\\_recreation/facilities/campus\\_rec\\_rules\\_guidelines/index.php](https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/campus_recreation/facilities/campus_rec_rules_guidelines/index.php)

**RELATED UNIVERSITY, STATE AND FEDERAL POLICIES**

[STAF 6.26 – Student Code of Conduct](#)

**HISTORY OF REVISIONS**

<b>DATE OF REVISION</b>	<b>REASON FOR REVISION</b>
June 25, 2010	New policy approval
October 20, 2016	Non-substantive revision approval
September 19, 2023	Policy name updated, revised to reflect current campus recreation practices and to merge the following policies within this policy: STAF 2.01, 2.03, 3.07, 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.08, 10.09