

# Understanding Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Membership & Insurance



UNITY Thunder is a member of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) and all of its practices and sponsored events are sanctioned by the AAU. The Greater Metropolitan Youth Football League (GMYFL), the flag and tackle league that UNITY participates in, is also a member of the AAU and all of its events are officially AAU sanctioned.

Both UNITY Thunder and the GMYFL require that all coaches, “on-the-field” volunteers, and players be members of the AAU so that they are insured in case of an accident or incident. To become a member of the AAU, coaches and volunteers have to undergo a background check as part of their application for “non-athlete” membership. Every coach and volunteer must have Extended Coverage Membership (AB) which at present time is \$16.00 annually. In order to practice and play in events, every player must have the “athlete” Extended Coverage Membership (AB) which at present time is \$14.00 annually.

To register as a member of AAU and receive the insurance coverage, participants should go to <http://www.ausports.org>. Participants must get **EXTENDED COVERAGE MEMBERSHIP/ INSURANCE (AB)**, not the **Regular Membership/ Insurance**. As part of the membership application, please be sure to indicate the Sport as “**Tackle Football**” or “**Cheerleading**”, and the club code as “**WW69W9**”. Website form examples are attached in Attachment B and C.

Please print a copy of the participant’s membership card from the website, and present to the head coach of the team or cheer squad on or before the first day of practice. A copy will be placed with the team roster for insurance verification before every event. If you already have an active membership, renewal each year cannot be done until August 15<sup>th</sup> as the annual period of coverage runs from September 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>. Please be sure to present the current membership card, but then renew when the renewal period begins so that coverage will not lapse. Also, once you renew, please print, and present the new membership card to your head coach.

Membership is valid for one year and covers all other sports that the coach, volunteer, or player participates in during that year provided that the teams and events are AAU members/ sanctioned.

## AAU Membership

Membership ID: **X85B6BN**  
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FT - Football Tackle

District: PV Club Code: **XTBBX5**  
Youth Non-Athlete w/ Extended Coverage

Application Date: 8/31/2011 9:23:08 PM

Expiration Date: 08/31/2012

Go to [www.AAUSPORTS.ORG](http://www.AAUSPORTS.ORG) to Reprint/Correct



By applying for membership, I certify that: 1.) I have never been convicted of any sex offense nor felony, or if so, I obtained membership (and approval) through the AAU National Office; and, 2.) this membership is correct in every material aspect, including but not limited to my (street) address and birth date. I agree to be bound by the AAU Code, including all AAU Policies, which are available for review on the AAU website at [www.ausports.org](http://www.ausports.org).

In paying your annual membership, you are not automatically assigned to a team or signed up to participate in an event. You are paying membership dues only.

Member's  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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## Attachment A - AAU Membership/ Insurance Extended Coverage Program (AB)

The Extended Coverage (AB) coverage program was developed to extend coverage for AAU members while participating in events hosted by organizations that are not member clubs of the AAU. Coverage in this program is provided for properly registered athletes or non-athletes for events in the United States of America (including its territories and possessions) and Puerto Rico.

### To have extended coverage (AB), the following criteria applies:

- For team competitions, the entire competing team and coach (non-athlete) must be AAU extended coverage (AB) members.
- For individual competitions, each competing individual must be an AAU extended coverage (AB) member and must be supervised by an AAU extended coverage (AB) registered coach.
- The competition must be formally scheduled, supervised and conducted by a recognized sport association, civic organization or school that is not a member of the AAU.
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**Benefits of the AB program are:** Sports Accident, General Liability, & Certificates of Insurance

### Who is insured?

- Athletes & Non-Athletes
- Member clubs/teams
- Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, Inc.

### When does AB coverage take effect?

- Coverage takes effect when AAU registered members in the extended coverage (AB) category are participating in **events hosted by organizations that are or are not member clubs of the AAU.**
- **Example:** All of Jim's Basketball Team members are registered AAU extended coverage (AB) members. Jims Basketball Team is participating in an event hosted by the local Park and Recreation organization. The Park and Recreation organization is not a member club of the AAU nor is the event sanctioned by the AAU. Jim's Basketball Team has coverage in this situation by being AAU extended coverage (AB) members.

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## Attachment B - AAU Membership Sample Application Form for Coaches & "On-the-Field" Volunteers

First Name: *	<input type="text" value="-Enter first name-"/>	<b>You must provide member's full legal name.</b>
Middle Name:	<input type="text" value="-Enter middle name-"/>	
Last Name: *	<input type="text" value="-Enter last name-"/>	
Address: *	<input type="text" value="-Enter address-"/>	
City: *	<input type="text" value="Hyattsville"/>	
Country: *	<input type="text" value="United States"/>	
State/Region: *	<input type="text" value="Maryland"/>	
Zip Code / Postal Code: *	<input type="text" value="20783"/>	
Cell or Home Phone Number: *	<input type="text" value="-Enter Cell or Home No.-"/>	(Example 111-222-3333)
Work Phone: *	<input type="text" value="-Enter Work number-"/>	(Example 111-222-3333)
	<b>*At least one phone contact number is required.</b>	
Birth Date: *	<input type="text" value="-Enter birth date-"/>	(Example mm/dd/yyyy)
Gender: *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> - Male <input type="radio"/> - Female <b>**If you are an adult and coach a youth team, choose YOUTH PROGRAM**</b>	
<b>Step 1</b>	Program: *	<input type="text" value="Youth Program"/>
<b>Step 2</b>	Sport: *	<input type="text" value="Tackle Football"/>
<b>Step 3</b>	Membership Term/Category: *	<input type="text" value="Membership expires August 31, 2012, Extended Coverage Membership 16.00"/>
	Club Code:	<input type="text" value="XTBBX5"/>
	Choose One: *	<input type="radio"/> - Enter SSN <b>OR -One of these selections is required.-</b> <input type="radio"/> - Enter 7 year address History and Birth City, State and Country
	Have you ever been convicted of any sex offense?: *	<input type="radio"/> - Yes <input type="radio"/> - No
	Have you ever been convicted of a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> felony?:*	<input type="radio"/> - Yes <input type="radio"/> - No

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## Attachment C - AAU Membership Sample Application Form for Players

Athlete Application

E-mail Address:   
(if member is under 13 then parent's email address)

**If athlete/prospective member is a minor, the person completing this Application represents that he/she has the athletes parent's or guardian's consent for the athlete to become an AAU Member.**

Check here: \*  **to indicate your understanding and agreement to the above statement.**

First Name: \*   
**You must provide member's full legal name.**

Middle Name:

Last Name: \*

Address: \*

City: \*

Country: \*

State/Region: \*

Zip Code / Postal Code: \*

Cell or Home Phone Number: \*  (Example 111-222-3333)

Work Phone: \*  (Example 111-222-3333)  
**\*At least one phone contact number is required.**

Birth Date: \*  (Example mm/dd/yyyy)

Gender: \*  - Male  - Female

**Step 1** Program: \*

**Step 2** Sport: \*

**Step 3** Membership Term/Category: \*

Club Code: