



ORSA MEMBERSHIP

Oak Ridge Sportsmen's Association
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www.orsaonline.org

Membership questions or issues can be directed to: orsamembership@gmail.com

Thank you in advance for taking the time to apply for membership at ORSA. It is imperative that you provide complete and accurate information, because missing and/or inaccurate information will only delay the processing of your application. A quick summary below will guide you thru part of the process. Please carefully review the membership guidelines and application information and feel free to contact me if you have questions. A list of frequently asked questions (FAQs) that will help you. can be found at joinorsa.org

Attention: *The ORSA membership department will make every attempt to process your application in a timely manner, and we will strive to provide the best customer service possible. Please be aware that we are all volunteers and appreciate your patience and understanding.*

Quick Summary of Things to Know about the Membership Process

For Everyone (prospective/new and renewing ORSA Members)

- Applications should be sent to the PO BOX Only!! Hand-delivered applications are discouraged and the processing of these applications will be delayed. The PO Box is checked weekly.
- Membership is a privilege not a right. Members are asked to follow a set of simple rules designed to permit safe enjoyment of the facilities. Failure to abide by these simple rules could cause you to lose the privilege.
- Illegible or inaccurate information will delay processing of the application.
- During the initial stage of membership process you will receive an acknowledgement from the ORSA membership department. Preferably via email but if all else fails we will send out a postcard or make a phone call. During this time frame your name will go on our mailing list, and you may receive our monthly newsletter (The Rangefinder).
- During this same initial stage ORSA will deposit your membership dues. This can serve as an acknowledgement that your application is being processed; this does not indicate however that your membership is approved. If your membership is denied your membership dues will be refunded.
- Your issued membership badge is a permanent badge. **YOU WILL BE CHARGED A FEE TO REPLACE YOUR CARD/BADGE IF YOU LOSE IT OR ACCIDENTALLY DISCARD IT. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!**
- Prior members who have failed to renew within 12 months of their membership expiration date are considered NEW applicants and must attend orientation once approved.

For New Member Applicants

- Prospective members must be reviewed and voted on by the ORSA board. The board meets once a month on the 1st Wednesday. Un-sponsored applicants require an affirmative vote at 2 meetings, whereas, sponsored members only require 1 meeting for consideration. Long story short: if you are un-sponsored it will be at least 8-10 weeks before you may be eligible to attend an orientation session. Typical processing time to get a sponsored applicant approved is 5-7 weeks.
- Once approved, the ORSA membership department will communicate with you regarding orientation.
- **ORIENTATION IS MANDATORY!!!** They are scheduled once per month on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:30pm EST in the ORSA clubhouse. Occasionally an orientation will be moved to a weeknight at 6:30pm – usually on a Thursday. Approved new members will be issued the ORSA membership/gate ID badge upon completion of the orientation session.
- You are not a member until you attend an Orientation Meeting.

Renewing (current) ORSA Members

- If you joined as an un-sponsored new member (this past year), please remember you are required to find a sponsor before your application will be accepted for renewal. If you have any trouble locating a sponsor please feel free to discuss your situation with the ORSA President who has graciously volunteered to assist un-sponsored members in this area.
- Your issued membership badge is a permanent badge. **YOU WILL BE CHARGED A FEE TO REPLACE YOUR CARD/BADGE IF YOU LOSE IT OR ACCIDENTALLY DISCARD IT. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!**
- Annual members are **NOT** automatically renewed as ORSA members. Annual members must be reviewed and voted on by the ORSA board. So, approval of your renewal application could take up to 4 weeks...don't wait until the last minute to renew.
- Upon acceptance of your renewal application your membership badge/gate card will be electronically updated with a new expiration date.

To contact us email at:

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Sincerely

Bob Harrison, ORSA Membership Secretary



ORSA MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES

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The Oak Ridge Sportsmen's Association (ORSA) is an organization of shooters, hunters, archers, fishermen and others dedicated to outdoor sports and conservation. Membership is open to all citizens of the United States, ages 19 or older, who have never been convicted of a felony, and whose activities and behavior do not conflict with the best interests of the majority of the membership. ORSA emphasizes safety and common sense. Members are asked to follow a set of simple rules designed to permit safe enjoyment of the facilities.

The ORSA membership comes from all walks of life. The club, nonprofit and private, has excellent facilities. Numerous special interest clubs (e.g. skeet, rifle, archery, pistol) form the basis of the organization and are open to any member. A monthly bulletin (THE RANGEFINDER) and web site (ORSAONLINE.ORG) are used to inform members of events, meetings, and other matters. All meetings are open to any ORSA member.

MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE

NEW APPLICANTS & ANNUAL RENEWING MEMBERS

Applicants must include dues for **\$120** in order to be considered for membership.

PERMANENT MEMBERS

are members who hold ORSA bonds

If you hold: One Bond **\$109** Two Bonds **\$101** Three Bonds **\$95** Four Bonds **\$91** Five Bonds **\$90**

Permanent members who have reached the age of 65 (as of their membership expiration date) are eligible for a membership fee of **\$25**

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED BY THE BOARD: The ORSA Board of Directors currently meets once a month on the 1st Wednesday. At this meeting, completed applications are reviewed for both New & Renewing members. Sponsored applicants are reviewed once by the Board whereas unsponsored applicants require review at two successive Board meetings. Unsponsored members are required to obtain a sponsor during the first membership year and submit a sponsor statement with their first renewal dues payment. Approved applications are informed (*by e-mail when possible*) of the Board's action and are notified of the upcoming orientation session that they are eligible to attend. The ANNUAL DUES are not refundable unless membership is NOT approved.

A SPONSOR IS REQUIRED FOR MEMBERSHIP: Sponsors must be an active, sponsored member, with dues paid in full for the current year, and they must personally sign and date this application as well as print their name and badge number and specify how long they have known the applicant. The Board of Directors will accept proof of membership or affiliation with a recognized firearm, archery, or conservation related organization in lieu of a ORSA member-sponsor. The organization must have goals or objectives that do not conflict with the goals and objectives of ORSA. A photocopy of the membership card showing the current expiration date will be considered proof of membership and should be included with the application.

ORIENTATION IS MANDATORY FOR ALL NEW MEMBERS: A range orientation of approximately 2 hours is held every 3rd Sunday of each month at 1:30pm at the indoor range or clubhouse and is required for all new members in order to receive your gate badge/membership card. Badges are not transferable. In addition, badges must be worn at all times while on the premises. Former members who have been inactive for 12 months or more are considered new members and are required to re-orient. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!** Upon notification it is the applicant's responsibility to attend the earliest orientation session available.

MEMBERSHIP PERIOD: For newly approved members, upon completion of the mandatory orientation session, your membership will be considered active for 12 months from this orientation date. After 12 months your membership will expire and your ability to access the ORSA property will be automatically disabled. Current ORSA members can expect to receive a renewal letter approximately 45-60 days before this membership expiration date. It is the applicant's responsibility to return the renewal application for consideration, along with proper dues, for the forthcoming year (12 month period).

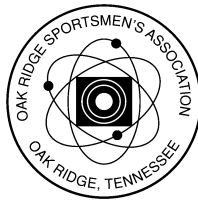
SPECIAL FACILITY ACCESS: Guidelines for issuing keys to special facilities (indoor range, equipment sheds, etc.) requires at least one full year of membership, regular participation in a scheduled activity that uses the particular special facility, and at least four hours on work parties (per year). Contact specific club authorities for additional requirements.

ORSA ACCEPTS ONLY CHECKS & MONEY ORDERS (payable to ORSA) FOR THE PAYMENT OF DUES.
(no cash or livestock please)

After filling in **ALL** of the boxes in the application, Sign & Mail completed application with appropriate dues to:

ORSA Membership, PO Box 6094, Oak Ridge, TN 37831-6094

ORSA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Applicant Type (check one)

- NEW
 RENEWAL

Applicant's Name <i>(first, middle & last)</i>		Date of Birth:		/ /	
Street Address					
City, State, Zip Code+4					
E-mail Address					
Best Contact Phone <i>(Include Area Code)</i>			Alternate Phone <i>(Include Area Code)</i>		
Current ORSA Badge # if renewing		ORSA Member Since (Month & Year) if renewing		Current ORSA Mbr ID # <i>(ORSA Use Only)</i>	

I AM A BOND HOLDING PERMANENT MEMBER. MY BONDS #'s are: _____
 I understand that without this information I am ineligible for reduced fees and in turn this will delay my renewal

Skills/Occupation/Trade that could help ORSA: _____

The following shooting sports at ORSA interest me: _____

<input type="checkbox"/>	I HAVE REVIEWED AND UNDERSTAND THE ORSA MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES AND I HAVE PROVIDED LEGIBLE, ACCURATE & COMPLETE CONTACT INFORMATION. I UNDERSTAND THAT ANY ERRORS OR OMISSIONS WILL DELAY ACCEPTANCE & PROCESSING OF MY APPLICATION.
Application Date: / /	Applicant's Signature:

Sponsor	ORSA member-sponsor is required or an organization is accepted in lieu of member-sponsor
<input type="checkbox"/> ORSA Member	I have personally known the applicant for _____ years and _____ months and to the best of my knowledge the applicant's activities and behavior are consistent with the objectives and interests of ORSA.
Name (printed) & ORSA Badge #	
Date & signature	
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization	I (the applicant) am a member of a shooting sports or conservation-related organization who's goals & objectives are in-line with ORSA's dedication to the preservation and growth of the shooting arts. Proof of membership attached
Name of Organization (printed)	
Membership # and Expiration Date	

ORSA respects your privacy. We do not sell, trade or transfer your personable identifiable information to any outside party.. Please note that we have asked for your occupation or trade. We are an organization run by volunteers, sometime ORSA requires the use of certain skills in order to maintain & improve the club. ORSA is affiliated with many national shooting-related governing bodies, we encourage all applicants (new & renewing) to get involved with the groups related to their favorite shooting discipline.

ORSA USE ONLY:

Current Member ID #		Membership Expiration Date			
Check #	Check Date	Check Amount	Date Received	1 st Notification Date	Comments