# STARTING A CFDA AFFILIATED CLUB

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AFFILIATED CLUB BENEFITS: Affiliated Clubs shall receive the following benefits as being a CFDA affiliated club in good standing:

- A. CFDA Logo use in club advertising, promotion, and awards. (CFDA Logo may not be altered in any way).
- B. Club Listing and contact information on the CFDA Website, and Gunslinger's Gazette.
- C. Club Banner with Club Name, Location, and CFDA Logo.
- D. Access to CFDA/NRA Insurance Shooting Club Liability Insurance Program.
- E. Opportunities to host State and Territorial Championships
- F. Appointment of U.S. Marshal to CFDA Advisory Board. (Must be a Lifetime member to serve as a U.S. Marshal.)
- G. One Complimentary CFDA Basic Scoring Program, with Free Updates.
- H. Set of Range Rule Posters. (New in 2019!)
- H. Nominations of up to 2 Club Members to receive CFDA Annual Top Hand Awards.
- I. May Order Wax Bullets and CFDA Brass in bulk quantities and receive discounts.
- J. Extra Gunslinger's Gazettes may be ordered a bundle of on our website, for a nominal fee (\$15) to cover postage.

### CFDA AFFILIATED CLUB STANDARD RENEWAL FEE AND PAYMENT:

Annual Affiliation Fee is \$125.00 per club; plus \$319.00 (*As of 2019*) for clubs participating in the CFDA - NRA Endorsed \$1 Million Shooting Club Liability Insurance Program; for a Total of \$444.00. The \$319.00 Insurance Portion covers up to 12 club members. For more than 12 members the cost is an additional \$12 per additional member. (*Note: Affiliation Club Insurance Fees are subject to change without notice subject to Annual Insurance Premiums*)

### PRORATED FEES FOR NEW CLUBS AFFILIATING DURING THE YEAR:

There is really no reason for any club not to affiliated anytime during the year. CFDA welcomes new clubs at any time, by providing these easy to calculate Pro-Rated Affiliation Fees.

- 1. Since the Annual Base Affiliation Fee for U.S. Clubs is \$125, that calculates to \$11.00 per full month.
- 2. For Clubs wishing to join the NRA/CFDA Affiliated Club Liability Insurance Program, the 2019 Insurance portion of the Affiliation Fee is \$319, that calculates to \$27 per full month.
- 3. Combined Affiliation Fee: \$11 + \$27 = \$38 per full month.

**Example:** For a club wishing to affiliate on July 15th, they would submit a partial year's fee for full months of August, September, October, November and December; or 5 full months.

If a new club opts out of the CFDA - NRA Endorsed Shooting Club Liability Insurance Program, it would be  $5 \times 11$  per full month = \$55. But they must still provide an Additional Insured Shooting Club Liability Insurance Certificate naming CFDA as an Additionally Insured.

If a new club opts in to the NRA/CFDA Endorsed Shooting Club Liability Insurance Program it would be 5 x \$38 per full month for a TOTAL PRO-RATED FEE = \$190

New Clubs affiliating after September 30th can affiliate for the following year with one application, at the discretion of CFDA Management.

### **CLUBS PROVIDING THEIR OWN INSURANCE:**

All CFDA Affiliated Clubs in the United States must have \$1 Million of liability insurance. If clubs are not participating in the CFDA Insurance Program, they must name CFDA as an additionally insured on their policy and provide a certificate (see details on application). Their annual fee is set at \$125.00, but New Clubs affiliating during the year are Pro-Rated at \$11 per month, according to the previous paragraph.

# **INTERNATIONAL CLUBS:**

Members outside the U.S. who wish to form a CFDA Affiliated Club and conduct sanctioned events in countries other than the United States, cannot access the CFDA/NRA Insurance Program. They must provide their own insurance and send proof to CFDA and name CFDA as an additionally insured, wherever practicable. International Clubs will pay \$175 Affiliation Fees International Clubs may request CFDA printed material for the cost of shipping. CFDA Products may be ordered as needed, international postage & shipping costs apply. Call or email for quote.

### **NOT A FRANCHISE:**

CFDA Affiliated Clubs are not franchises of CFDA, they have no guaranteed area in which to operate. They may conduct their affairs across State lines as they see fit. There is no limit to how many CFDA Affiliated Clubs are in a City, County or State.

### **CFDA CLUB INSURANCE PROGRAM**

CFDA is insured through the NRA Shooting Club Liability Insurance Program. Each CFDA Affiliated Club in the U.S. must have insurance covering any CFDA sanctioned event. Clubs have the option of providing their own \$1 Million Shooting Club Liability Insurance, on which they must add Cowboy Fast Draw Association, LLC as an "Additionally Insured".

Or, they may participate in one of 3 Regional Insurance Policies that CFDA administrates on behalf of the clubs. CFDA Insurance Fees may change each year, CFDA attempts to bring insurance coverage to clubs and the property owners who host CFDA Clubs at the lowest cost possible. Clubs, who are participating in CFDA's Insurance Program, may also order Insurance Certificates covering Additional Insured Property Owners for conducting events beyond their Home Range, such at Try Cowboy Fast Draw events, Contests, demonstrations, and additional practice areas, etc. Available upon approval of CFDA at a cost of \$40.00 per Additional Insured Certificate.

All CFDA Insured events Class A - C, must follow CFDA Rules, unless otherwise approved by CFDA Management, and ALL events MUST Follow CFDA Safety Rules.

All CFDA Affiliated Clubs should assess their shooting locations, including exterior and interior walkways, stairs, platforms for trip hazards and other obstacles. Lighting and other electrical items should also be checked for safety. All items should conform to local building codes. CFDA does not inspect facilities and assumes no liability for their safety or code compliance.

### **CFDA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR CLUBS**

If the only people that joined CFDA were the ones who competed in Titled Championships, then CFDA could not be here to serve the needs of the sport and build it for the future. It is our hope that most people who enjoy the Cowboy Fast Draw and what it stands for would want to be part of the organization that makes it all possible.

Many clubs insist that new members join CFDA immediately and find that the more new members are involved with the sport itself, the more that member becomes a solid part of their club.

# CFDA membership is required to compete in Class A through C Events. It is also required that all CFDA Affiliated Club members be a member of CFDA.

**Clubs have latitude** in classifying participants of their Class D club activities as, other than members. Clubs may also require CFDA membership for all participants at any of their contests, that's up to each club to determine.

Clubs may have Associates, Supporters, and Sponsors. They may also have a trial period for new (probationary) members. However, once someone decides to actually join a club as a full member, they must also be a member of CFDA, according to long standing CFDA rules.

### COMMONLY ASKED OUESTIONS ABOUT CLUBS & MEMBERSHIPS

# Why Affiliate a CFDA Club?

This is an excellent value considering NRA Endorsed Insurance Program that we make possible for clubs. If a club tried to independently acquire such insurance it would cost several hundred dollars per year alone, most of the small clubs could not afford to operate without the CFDA Insurance Program. CFDA also provides ongoing support in helping your club grow. This can include press releases, training, and visits by CFDA Staff in addition to promotional materials.

# Why should all CFDA Members Join the NRA?

Membership in the NRA is not required to be a member of CFDA, however the National Rifle Association is a big reason we still have the Right to Bear Arms in the U.S.A.. They also make our sport possible by making the NRA Shooting Club Liability Insurance Program possible. This allows us to insure property owners of the locations we hold our contests, club events and Try Cowboy Fast Draw©. Fifty percent of all members of any CFDA affiliated club must be members of the NRA. Therefore, it is wise for club to require NRA membership of all of their club members. CFDA is an enrolled NRA Recruiter. We have all the forms necessary to join the NRA, plus a direct link to join on our website. Did you know that you can join the NRA for as little as \$10 per year if you decline the American Rifleman magazine? You should sign up your whole family at that price!

# **How to Contact CFDA?**

Contact our office for a complete CFDA Club Start-up "Club in the Works" Package. We'll be glad to advise you through the whole process. You can call the CFDA Office Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. PST. We are a small operation, so if we don't answer we are on another call, packaging orders, running errands, or attending CFDA functions, so please leave a message and we'll call back a.s.a.p..

Sometimes messages don't go through or get misplaced, if you don't hear from us by the next business day please try again. Our phone number is (775) 575-1802, or you can email us at info@cowboyfastdraw.com.

Our mailing address is: CFDA - P.O. Box 5 - Fernley, NV 89408.

### **How Can CFDA Help?**

We offer advice on how to promote your club, how to start a club, timing equipment, shooting equipment, rule interpretations and many other areas. Our mission is to build clubs throughout North America as well as internationally.

# Why are U.S. Marshals required to be Life Members of CFDA?

Life members represent CFDA to their clubs and their clubs to CFDA, they have a lot of influence on organizational decisions and rules. Life Membership illustrates a vested interest in the organization.