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**Application to be a US Chess Federation (US Chess)
Certified Club Tournament Director (TD)**

I, the undersigned, hereby request certification as a US Chess Certified Club Tournament Director. I am a current member of US Chess in good standing. I understand that I must be at least 18 years old as of today's date to file this application under my own signature. I understand that, if I am between 13 and 17 years old as of today's date, I must have a parent or legal guardian sign this application. (As of August 6, 2023, applicants must be at least 13 years old.)

I certify that I have reviewed the Safe Play requirements at <https://new.uschess.org/us-chess-safe-play-hub>. I understand that all TDs must have completed the SafeSport Trained Core course offered by the U.S. Center for SafeSport, and that a copy of my SafeSport Trained completion certificate (PDF) must be submitted with my TD application. I further understand that SafeSport refresher training is required annually thereafter to maintain compliance with Safe Play.

I have read the US Chess Federation's Official Rules of Chess (7th edition) and the latest changes to those rules posted on the US Chess website via <https://new.uschess.org/tournament-directors>. I have access to a copy of the rules and promise to conform to these rules and regulations and to their spirit.

Name: _____ **US Chess ID#:** _____ **DOB:** _____

Email Address: _____

Please print your email address very clearly.

Street Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Phone: Home (_____) _____ **Mobile** (_____) _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/guardian printed name: _____ **Signature:** _____

(only required if the applicant is between 13 and 17 years old as of today's date)



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Submitting the Application

You may email the completed application to tdcert@uschess.org, or mail it to US Chess, Attn: TD Certification, PO Box 775308, Saint Louis MO 63177. Email submission is strongly preferred. Only the first page is necessary.

Recommendations for becoming a good TD

A good TD is aware of the rules and regulations involved and should take advantage of available resources to gain experience. Contact TDs in your area and ask to assist at their events. Check out the US Chess Forums where experienced TDs often reply to a variety of tournament director and technical questions.

The Club TD certification is renewable. You should upgrade to Local as soon as you meet the minimum requirements. It is important to remember that you must have an established US Chess rating to upgrade. For more information regarding TD Certification, please visit our dedicated Tournament Director page at <https://new.uschess.org/tournament-directors>.

Thank you for your decision to become a US Chess Certified Club TD.