



United States Lifesaving Association
California Surf Lifesaving Association – Southwest Region
Life Member Application – Submission Form



The candidate must have demonstrated an exemplary, positive and productive contribution to his/her agency as an employee and to both the regional and national organizations.

1. Proposed Recipient:

- Name: _____
- Region: _____
- Chapter: _____
- Agency: _____

2. Life Member Criteria (Check all that apply)

- A. The candidate has completed a minimum of twenty years of service as a professional lifeguard and/or lifeguard administrator or equivalent title; and
- B. has been an active member of the USLA or its predecessor for at least ten years; and
- C. has served as a member of the Board of Directors, Executive Board or as an elected officer of the USLA or its predecessor; and
- D. has demonstrated significant contributions made in the furtherance of the goals and objectives of USLA through a written resume of achievements and contributions.

3. Attach a Resume of Candidate’s career achievements and volunteer contributions to Open Water Lifesaving

4. Positions Held as a Professional Lifesaver:

Employing Agency:

Attach copies of recommendations from agency representative(s) to substantiate such service when possible.

5. Attach a letter of recommendation from the candidate’s Regional Board of Directors, signed by the President of the Region verifying the following:

- A. Minimum of ten years active membership in Region and USLA**
- B. Outstanding service to Region and USLA**
- C. Member of the Regional and/or USLA Board of Directors**

6. Submit this application and all supporting documentation to: secretary@usla.org no less than one week before the Board of Directors meeting at which it shall be considered.

Submitted by:

Name: _____ Region: _____

Position: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Procedure:

1. An application form and all pertinent written justification for the application shall be submitted confidentially to the USLA Secretary no less than **7 days prior to a Board of Director's meeting.**
2. All applications must be signed by the nominee's Regional President and carry with it a letter of verification of approval by the Region's Board of Directors.
3. The Secretary shall present the confidential application and all supporting documentation to the Membership Committee Chair or designated Membership Vice-Chair at the beginning of a Board of Director's meeting.
4. The Chair shall convene a special meeting of one representative of each Region present at the Board of Director's meeting, designated by the Presidents of such Regions, and to be known as the Life Member Sub-committee, to meet and confer on any applications submitted for approval.
5. During this sub-committee meeting, the representatives shall review the application and supporting documentation and the nominee's Regional President or designee shall have the opportunity to address the committee members in support of the application. After any discussion, the Chair shall distribute ballots and conduct a secret vote. A nominee may receive no more than one vote in opposition of the Life Member Sub-committee to confirm each application.
 - A. If a vote is positive for a nominee, the information is reported to the USLA President, who shall determine the appropriate time to announce the award of Life Membership.
 - B. If there is a negative vote for a nominee, the sub-committee Chair shall advise the nominating Region's representative.

Action Taken by :

CSLSA

Approved Name: _____ Signed: _____

Date: _____

USLA

Approved Name: _____ Signed: _____

Date: _____

If seeking a USLA Life Membership also, a copy of the Regional Applications must be forwarded to the USLA Secretary, no later than 7 days in advance of the next USLA Board Meeting, following approval by the Regional Board of Directors.