

How do I join the Toledo Power Squadron?

If you have found this page, you must have decided to join our organization. I have to compliment you on making a great decision! You are joining a fantastic organization with some tremendous people. You are likely to make some friendships in our organization that will last a lifetime! If you require more information than what is provided here, please contact our Membership Chairperson:

Pre-requisites to Join

Our main pre-requisite to joining is education. Not only are we a social organization and know how to have a good time, we are also very education centric. We pride ourselves on the knowledge and experience that is contained within our ranks. Prospective members must have at least basic knowledge about boating. If you do not presently have this knowledge, we are happy to pass it on to you!

We encourage everyone to take [The Squadron Boating Course](#) (*Dates and Times*). This eight week course covers the basic knowledge mariners need to operate a boat safely. If you have not taken this course, but feel that you possess a sufficient level of knowledge to join, you may take the test that we administer at the end of the Squadron Boating Course and test out of the class.

There are other courses that are taught by additional organizations that also meet our education pre-requisite. These include the following:

- Holders of U. S. Coast Guard 6 Pak Licenses and above.
- Canadian Power Squadron - Boating Course
- USCGAux - Boating Skills & Seamanship or Sailing & Seamanship Courses
- American Sailing Assn. - (ASA) Basic Keelboat Sailing Course
- US Sailing - Basic Keelboat Certification Course
- US Sailing - Keelboat Instructor Course
- US Sailing - Small Boat Instructor Course

Costs to Join

Here is a breakdown of the costs to join the Toledo Power Squadron for your first year:

The indicated fee rates are applicable for Year 2022. TSPS general membership and/ or District 29 members and/ or

United States Power Squadron members may revise their respective membership fees on a yearly basis. Verify the correct membership fees when submitting application(s).

	New Single Active Member	New Family Active Member
National Entrance Fee	\$20.00	\$20.00
National Dues	\$55.00	\$82.50
Toledo Entrance Fee	\$5.00	\$5.00
Toledo Dues	\$21.20	\$32.30
District 29 Dues	\$13.00	\$19.00
Educational Fund	\$1.00	\$2.00
Total	\$115.20	\$160.80

\$1.00 required for educational fund for every member.

	<u>Apprentice Member</u>
National Entrance Fee	\$0.00
National Dues	\$12.00
Toledo Entrance Fee	\$0.00
Toledo Dues	\$0.00
District 29 Dues	\$0.00
Educational Fund	\$1.00
Total	\$13.00

\$1.00 required for educational fund for every member.

The dues are paid once a year. On the anniversary date of your membership, you will receive a dues notice from USPS Headquarters for one years dues **MINUS** the entrance fees.

Types of Membership

Single Active Member: *This category is a single member or the primary member to whom the family unit is attached and pays full dues for National, District and Squadron*

Family Active Member: *A family unit consists of members in addition to the Active Member who reside in the same residence. Members in the unit can be Additional Active Members and/or Family Members. There is one payment for the family unit no matter whether the unit consists of the Active Member and one or twenty additional people.*

Associate Member: *Non-Active Membership, No voting privileges, Can not be an officer. Exclusive membership only to Toledo Sail & Power Squadron. Cost - \$15.00 Per Year.*

Apprentice/ Sea Scout: *These are young people who are not part of the family unit, but are members on their own and do pay annual dues.*

Our education classes are available to all membership levels listed above
