



## **Why is SOILL changing the Medical Application (Med App)?**

SOILL has updated the medical information to align with Special Olympics Inc. requirements, align with current medical practices, provide more complete information for on-site treatment by medical staff and provide more thorough information at MedFest opportunities. The form ultimately creates a clearer picture of the athlete's health history.

## **Why is the previous Med App being separated into 2 forms? What is the difference between the Athlete Consent, Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnification Form (Consent Form) and the Medical Form?**

Consent Form information was updated to meet insurance company and Special Olympics Inc. requirements. Separating the forms will eliminate the need for a new Consent Form to be submitted every time a new Medical Form is submitted. A Medical Form must be submitted every 3 years. The new Consent Form separates out athlete/parent/guardian consent from health information. The new Consent Form will only need to be submitted one time throughout an athlete's lifetime, barring any change in guardianship.

## **How long is the new Medical Form valid for?**

The new form will be valid for three years from the date of the examiner's signature.

## **When are athletes required to start using the new Medical Form?**

SOILL will no longer accept the current Med App after August 1, 2021.

## **Do all athletes have to submit a new Medical Form or is the current Med App still valid?**

New athletes will need to submit the new Medical Form in order to be eligible to participate. Renewing athletes will need to submit the new Medical Form prior to their previous Med App's expiration date.

## **What is the status of an athlete's current valid Med App?**

If an athlete has a valid Med App on file prior to the introduction of the new Medical Form, the medical portion of the Med App remains valid until its expiration date, however, the athlete will need to submit a new Consent Form prior to continuing with their participation.

## **How long is the new Consent Form valid for?**

This form will only need to be submitted one time throughout an athlete's lifetime, barring any change in guardianship.

## **When are athletes required to start using the new Consent Form?**

Currently eligible athletes must submit the new Consent Form immediately to remain eligible. New athletes will need to submit the Consent Form with their new Medical Form to be eligible.

## **What happens if all parts of the new Medical Form are not filled out completely? Do I have to send all four pages if they are not filled out?**

Not providing all requested information may result in a delay in processing paperwork and affect an athlete's eligibility for upcoming events. The Medical Referral page does not need to be submitted if athlete is not referred to another doctor for a required follow-up evaluation.

**How do the new forms affect the Young Athlete Registration Form?**

A new Young Athlete Registration Form is now available and is the only version that will be accepted after August 1, 2021. Form can be accessed [using this link](#).

**Where can I get a copy of the Consent Form?**

[Use this link to access the Consent Form.](#)

**Where can I get a copy of the Medical Form?**

[Use this link to access the Medical Form.](#)

**Are the new forms available in Spanish?**

Yes, all forms offer a Spanish version and will be available on the SOILL website and from your Region Staff by June 4.

**How do I know when my/my athlete's previous Med App expires?**

The previous Med App term was extended in 2020 to expire at three years from the exam date. To lookup those dates, visit <https://www.soill.org/athlete-coach-lookup/>.

**Question not answered here?**

Please reach out to your [local Region Staff](#).