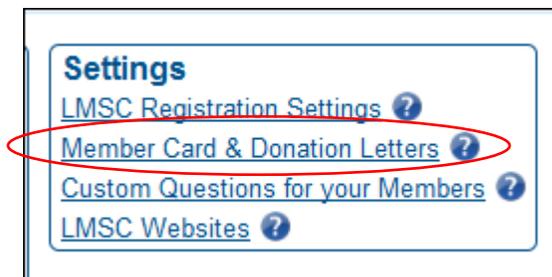


## Printing Membership Cards

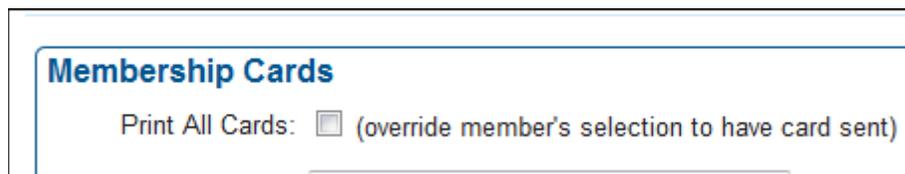
### Setup

USMS provides card stock to all of the registrars. The cards come three to a sheet.

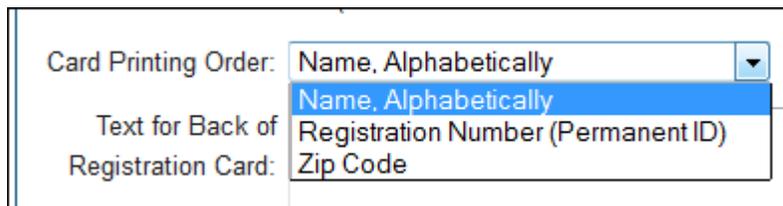
Before you can print cards, you need to enter some offset values and do a little testing. From the home page, under “Settings” select “Member Card & Donation Letters.”



**Print All Cards:** When a swimmer registers, he can elect whether to have a card mailed to him by checking a box on the online registration form. If the swimmer has checked the box, the card will appear in your print queue (more on that later) and will be there the next time you view the queue. If the swimmer does not check the box, he is confirming that he will print his own card during the online registration process and does not want a card mailed to him. Some LMSCs have a policy of mailing a card to every member, whether they request it or not. If this is your LMSC's policy, check the “Yes” box. A card for every swimmer registered will appear in your print queue.



**Card Printing Order:** You can choose the order that your cards print. Of the cards in the queue, they can be printed in either alphabetical order, in registration number order, or in zip code order.



**Right-Side Text:** On the right-hand side of the membership card, you are allowed seven lines for the registrar's contact information. In the example below, the text shown in the box is what will appear on the right-hand side of every member's card.

Text for Back of	New England LMSC
Registration Card:	MIZZY Grilli, Registrar
	PO Box 4473
	Puppytown, RI 02842
	888-633-3663
	NERegistrar@usms.org
	Workout Group: [Workout Group]

Note that the last line contains a variable field, [Workout Group]. If you are in an LMSC where you keep rack of swimmers' workout groups (a subset of clubs), you can use this variable to have each swimmer's workout group appear on his/her card. For example, if the card is being printed for a member whose workout group in the database is KCBZ, that last line under the registrar's name and address will read:

**Workout group: KCBZ**

**Printer Offsets:** These offsets will adjust the placement of the printed text on the membership cards. The **Shift Down** value will move the text farther down on the page (a negative value, such as -0.05, will shift the text up). The **Shift Right** value moves the text to the right, away from the pre-printed name and address headings on the cards (a negative value will shift the text to the left). The Space Between Cards setting can be used if you notice that the starting point for the text on each of the three cards is in a different place.

<b>Membership Card Printer Offsets</b>	
These defaults will be used when registering a new member.	
Shift Down:	<input type="text" value="0.6"/> inches (range -0.5" to 1") <i>use negative numbers, i.e. -0.05 to shift up</i>
Shift Right:	<input type="text" value="0.0"/> inches (range -0.5" to 1") <i>use negative numbers, i.e. -0.05 to shift left</i>
Space Between Cards:	<input type="text" value="0.00"/> inches (range -0.5" to 1") <i>use negative numbers, i.e. -0.05 to decrease space between cards</i>
Right-side Shift Right:	<input type="text" value="0.6"/> inches (range -0.5" to 1") <i>use negative numbers, i.e. -0.05 to shift right side of card text to the left</i>

Everyone's printer is a little different. After you print a test page, you can start to adjust the values accordingly.

The Right-side Offset value becomes important if you mail your cards in window envelopes. You want to make sure that the text on the right side of the card (the registrar's name and address) cannot be viewed through the window. If any of it is showing, the US Postal Service's automated sorting machinery will not be able to correctly read the address.

## Printing Cards

### Cards with or without top margin

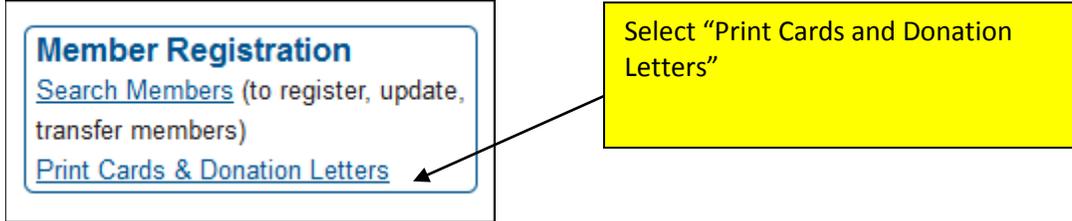
When you get to the card printing page, you will see that you have two choices for the type of card stock you are using. Look at a sheet of card stock and you will see that there is an extra half-inch of white space above the first of the three cards. This is what is referred to as the "top margin" in Club Assistant. You would select this option if you are loading a full sheet (or sheets) of cards into your printer.



If you are going to be loading a partial sheet of cards into your printer, you will want to select the "without top margin" choice. For example, perhaps you previously printed one card and tore it off the sheet. You now have two good cards left. Today you only need to print two cards. You could load the partial sheet into your printer and print the two cards.

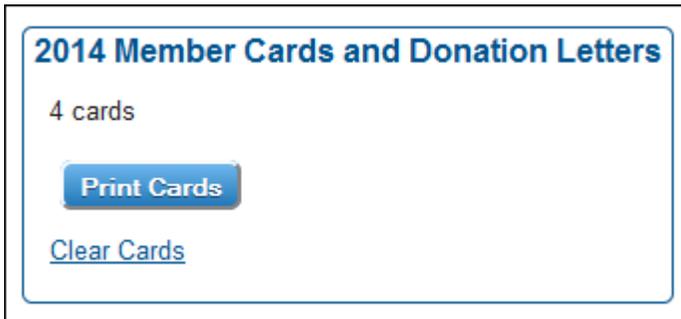


To view and print cards, begin on the Home page.



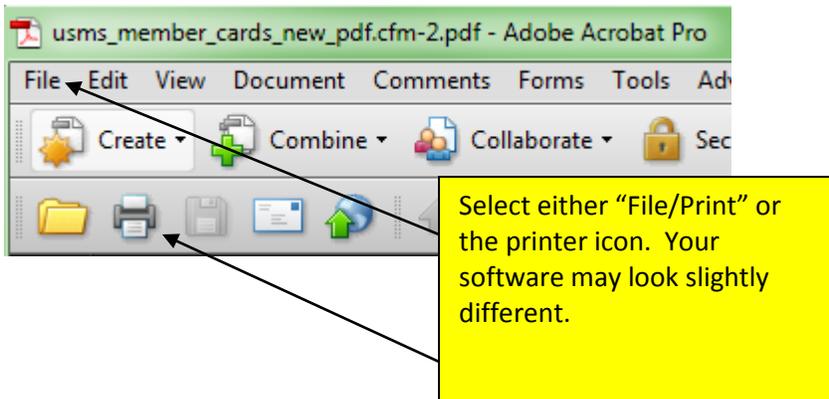
You must have the latest version of Adobe Reader installed on your computer (the paid Adobe Acrobat software will also work).

Print cards on the card stock provided by USMS. No background image is shown in your print preview, because you will be printing on card stock that is already printed with the background image.

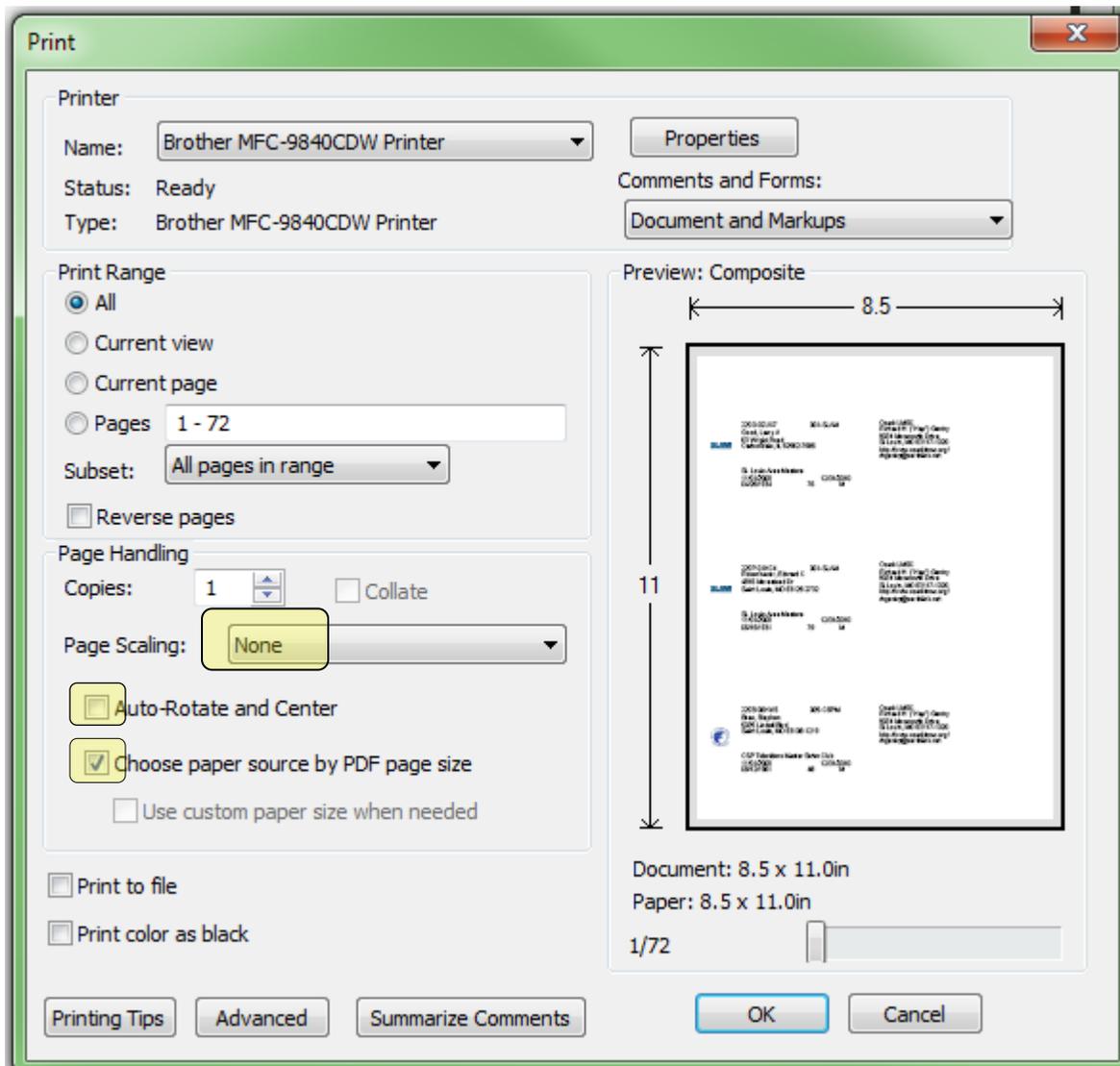


In this example, there are 4 cards currently in the printer queue. In this case you will be loading full sheets of cards into the printer, so you would select "with top margin." The cards will open in the Adobe Reader software. Depending on your browser they may open within the browser, or in a new window.

Once you've viewed the cards, select the print icon (or File/Print) from the top menus.



You will see a printer dialog box. There are several settings that MUST be correct for the cards to print successfully.



**Page Scaling:** Must be set to "None"

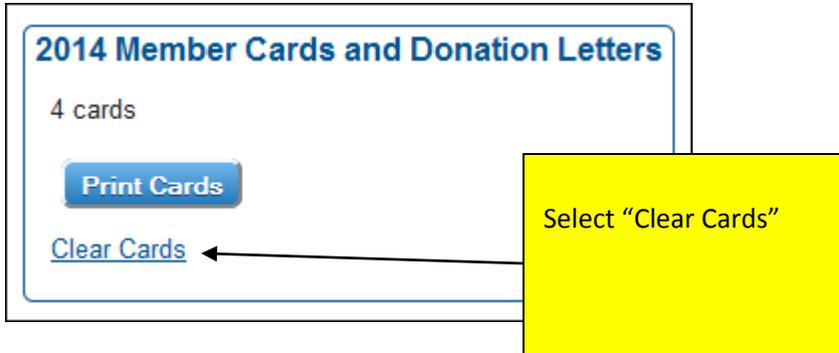
**Auto-Rotate and Center:** Uncheck the box

**Choose paper source by PDF page size:** Check the box

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The Adobe software periodically gets revised and updated. Sometimes when it is updated, the printer settings are all reset to the Adobe defaults. If your cards printed fine yesterday but are way off today, first check to make sure that the printer settings are as described above.

## Clearing the print queue

After you've successfully printed your cards, you need to clear them from the queue. If you don't clear them, they will be there the next time you need to print cards.



### Clear USMS Member Cards

All Registrations [Online Registration Only](#) [Offline Registration Only](#)  
Last Registered in 2010  
10 Cards

Row	Name	USMS Number	Sequence Number	Payment Method
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jonath	952Z	2448	Credit Card
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lesley	9UM	2449	Credit Card
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> J Ther	XEP	2452	Credit Card
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christ	XH1	2454	Credit Card
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Ta	XHA	2455	Credit Card
6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mohar	XJ5	2456	Credit Card
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erica	7SB	2457	Credit Card
8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noelle	XKN	2458	Credit Card
9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brian	XNN	2461	Credit Card
10	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Jane vvermizng	958KA	2463	Credit Card

Check the name for each card you wish to clear, then click the button below

Clear Checked Cards