

February 27, 2009

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This agreement between the US Lacrosse Men's Division National Teams Committee and the US Lacrosse Men's Division Officials Council International Officials Committee (IOC) serves as a general outline of the duties and obligations of the USA officials at the 2010 U.S. Men's Team try-outs at Bryant University June, 2009, the fall 2009 weekend exhibitions, and the World Games in Manchester, England in 2010. It also serves to clarify the support that US Lacrosse will provide such officials and assessors; it also describes the responsibilities of the selected USA officials.

A. 2009 June Tryouts at Bryant University

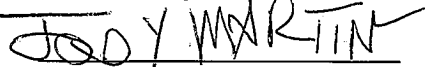
1. The IOC Chair will solicit applications from qualified officials for the tryouts and, if more applicants emerge than try-out spaces available, will work with the assessors in determining a final list. The IOC Chair will select the assessors, per IOC By-Laws.
2. These officials and assessors must be available for the entire period of the try-outs and shall conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. Players, coaches, officials and staff are to follow the Bryant University rules on no alcohol in the dorms or on campus; violators will be dismissed from the try-outs.
3. Officials will be responsible for all travel and room/board expenses. Room/board expenses for the period June 7-10 to be \$275/official. Officials will receive forms/directions in a packet from US Lacrosse prior to the try-outs.
4. Assessors' reasonable travel and room/board expenses will be covered by US Lacrosse through the U.S. National Teams Budget. This is anticipated to be approximately \$2500.00 for four (4) assessors. Assessors' travel to be coordinated by US Lacrosse or its travel partner and is subject to the US Lacrosse Volunteer Travel Reimbursement Policy.
5. USL will obtain for each official and assessor a memento Polo Shirt.
6. Shortly after the conclusion of the try-outs, US Lacrosse will announce the selected officials with the selected players. At that time the IOC Chair will inform the alternates and the other participants of their status.

B. 2009 Fall weekend exhibitions


1. Based on their availability, USA World Games 2010 officials and/or alternates will work the try-out games at sites and times TBD this fall. Their participation will be coordinated by the IOC Chair and he will strive to minimize travel costs by using proximity as a high priority in selecting officials.
2. A maximum of four officials will work these games.
3. Whenever possible, the IOC will have experienced observers helping and training the officials during these games and they must cover their own expenses.
4. US Lacrosse will cover these officials for their reasonable travel and room/board expenses through the US National Team Budget. Travel to be coordinated by US Lacrosse or its travel partner and is subject to the US Lacrosse Volunteer Travel Reimbursement Policy.

C. 2010 June/July Exhibitions/training camp/World Games

1. 2010 World Games USA officials and/or alternates will work the U.S. Team's exhibition games when requested. US Lacrosse will reimburse these officials for their reasonable travel and room/board expenses through the U.S. National Team Budget. Travel to be coordinated by US Lacrosse or its travel partner and is subject to the US Lacrosse Volunteer Travel Reimbursement Policy.
2. The IOC Chair will coordinate officials' participation at these exhibitions and strive to minimize travel costs by using proximity as a high priority in selecting officials.
3. A maximum of four officials will work these games.
4. USA World Games 2010 Officials are required to participate in fundraising to aid in the costs of travel, meals, and lodging. Each official, player, coach and staff member will be given the tools necessary to successfully fundraise from US Lacrosse and its financial development staff. Players, coaches, officials and staff must fully participate in fundraising efforts and will be required to submit lists of 30 names who US Lacrosse can solicit for team fundraising. If these lists under-perform, the individual may have to contribute to help offset their individual travel cost.
5. USA World Games 2010 officials and assessors must sign a USL Code of Conduct statement.
6. US Lacrosse will cover all reasonable travel for the USA World Games 2010 officials and assessors to and from Manchester, England. US Lacrosse staff and its travel partner will plan and book this travel. Room/board and transportation in Manchester for officials and assessors will be covered. Any personal expenses beyond those provided will be the responsibility of the official.
7. USA World Games 2010 officials and assessors will receive a modest appropriation of clothing or gear or items from US Lacrosse prior to the Games but, as per FIL policies, will be required to wear "neutral" clothing and gear during the World Games. This modest appropriation must be discussed with and approved by the IOC Chair in coordination with US Lacrosse.
8. Officials and assessors shall receive the same consideration with regard to event tickets that players and coaches receive.
9. Based on the assessor needs of the World Games 2010 Referee-in-Chief, the IOC Chair, with advice from the IOC Executive Board, shall select the US assessors. The RIC may not know his assessor needs until the total number of participating nations has been established.
10. If the Manchester 2010 RIC requests additional officials from the US and its Alternates List to fill vacancies from other countries, the IOC Chair will first confirm with the US Lacrosse Men's Division Director that funding is available. It may be that additional USA officials won't be available to go Manchester due to funding limitations.



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