Attachment A

Participant Code of Conduct

Assumption: This code is based on the premise that participation in an organized handball event is a privilege. Participants are guests of the site and are obligated to abide by its rules. The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) shall have the authority to take disciplinary action in case of violations of this code.

Conditions of Participation: All participants must agree to abide by this Code of Conduct. By signing this document you will be acknowledging that you have read it, understand it, and are willing to abide by the Code of Conduct and ensure that if you are a coach or team official that all of your athletes abide by the code.

Rules:

1. Those participants perpetrating any damage will pay for any physical damage to the facility.
2. There will be no use of false identification by any participant at any time.
3. There will be no possession or use of alcoholic beverages at the host site by anyone under the legal drinking age; or anyone if prohibited by the host site.
4. There will be no possession of fireworks, ammunition, firearms or other weapons or any item or material which by commonly accepted practices and principles would be a hazard or harmful to another person.
5. There will be no possession or use of any prescription drug or WADA/USADA banned substance unless the participant is currently under physician's care and the medication is required for treatment of an illness or injury (documentation required).
6. Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated, including but not limited to:
   - Any act considered to be an offense under federal, state, local law and USATH rules and guidelines.
   - Vandalism, damaging of property, unauthorized use of equipment or property, or theft.
   - Unsportsmanlike conduct or conduct which is inappropriate as determined by comparison to normally accepted behavior.
   - Inappropriate horseplay or other misbehavior which physically endangers any person or property
   - Physical or verbal intimidation, abuse or assault of any individual

Note: Persons present while any violation of the Code of Conduct occurs must leave the area immediately or be considered a participant by choice. Any person observing or having knowledge of any activity, which may result in serious bodily harm to a event participant, must immediately report such activity to a member of the LOC staff.

Consequences: Violation of the Code of Conduct may result in:

a) Participant(s) responsible for property loss being liable to pay all replacement/repair costs.
b) Partial or full restriction of movement at the host site.
c) Expulsion from the event with participant being sent home at his/her own expense.
d) A written report submitted to the Event Director for distribution as deemed appropriate.
e) Loss of opportunity to participate in future events conducted under the auspices of the USATH.

Process:

a) All code violations shall be reported as soon as possible to the LOC.
b) Upon notification of a code violation, the LOC may hold a hearing with the participants involved.
c) The LOC shall have the authority to enforce any of the above listed consequences. Every effort will be made to expedite the notification of a participant(s) of the hearing and to expedite the notification of the participant(s) of the results of that hearing.
d) A recommendation by the LOC that the participant or club / team be restricted from future events will be sent to the USATH.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I agree to the above Code of Conduct and its intent and I understand the possible consequences if it is violated.

Print Participant Name | Participant's Signature | Date

Address | City | State | Zip