



In consideration of permission being granted to \_\_\_\_\_ (Host Organization) to hold a tournament or game(s) at \_\_\_\_\_ (City), \_\_\_\_\_ (State) on the dates of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

We hereby agree to the following conditions:

- 1. ABIDE BY RULES - We shall abide by all statements made in our Application to Host a Tournament or Games, in our tournament invitation, in our tournament rules, and in this U.S. SOCCER International Tournament/Games Hosting Agreement. We agree that all decisions regarding acceptance of teams into a tournament shall be fairly and impartially made and shall not be based upon race, creed, color, national origin, or national affiliation.
2. INVITATIONS - The tournament approval form shall accompany all tournament invitations distributed by us.
3. PROCURING LIABILITY INSURANCE - We have procured liability insurance coverage for the tournament or games with limits of not less than \$100,000/\$200,000/\$25,000 which names the U. S. Soccer Member with which the Host Organization is affiliated, any affiliate organization where the host organization is a member, U. S. Soccer and their officers and directors as additional insureds. A certificate of insurance is attached issued by \_\_\_\_\_.
4. REQUIRING MEDICAL AUTHORIZATIONS - We shall require all teams participating in the tournament or games to provide notarized medical authorizations for each player in a form adequate for use at the site of the tournament. These authorizations shall be presented to the Host Organization at registration and kept at the field available for use by the team.
5. AMATEUR SPORTS ACT - We have read and agree to abide by the provisions of the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act (see below).
6. ADVANCE PUBLICATION OF RULES - We agree that our tournament or games rules shall be included with the invitation sent to each team and shall again, be published to all teams accepted, prior to the start of the tournament.
7. USE OF FIELD MARSHALS/FIELD INSPECTION - We agree that during the tournament each game field will have a field marshal assigned to it at all times; that the field marshal will be readily available and identifiable; that prior to the commencement of every game the field marshal will inspect the field to be sure that it is free from objects or conditions that may cause injury. If any condition exists which cannot be immediately corrected it shall be brought to the attention of the referee and the tournament director. The Director of Field Marshals is:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

- 8. USE OF SPECTATOR LINES - We agree to take appropriate steps including, where feasible, the use of spectator lines on each field to keep the spectators away from the touch line.
9. PROVISION OF ADEQUATE TOURNAMENT COMMUNICATION - We agree to provide adequate communication by means of \_\_\_\_\_ between the game fields and the tournament headquarters. The Tournament Communications Director is:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

- 10. AVAILABILITY OF POLICE AND RESCUE SERVICE - We have notified the local police, ambulance and emergency rescue services of the date of the tournament or games and the times and fields which will be used for games, and have been advised by them that they will be available to render assistance if needed.
11. TOURNAMENT RULES/BEHAVIOR - We agree that our tournament or games rules contain provisions ensuring that the behavior of teams, players, coaches and spectators is appropriately controlled including specific provisions:
a. which spell out the disciplinary measures to be imposed for the issuances of red and yellow cards or other improper conduct;
b. which indicate what procedures will be followed regarding protests and appeals;
c. which indicate that all disciplinary measures imposed by host organizations shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's group participation in the tournament or games;
d. which state the issuance of all red and yellow cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches or supporters will be recorded by the host organization.
12. TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION - We agree that our tournament or games rules shall state what refunds, if any, shall be made to participating teams if all or a portion of the tournament is canceled by the host organization for any reason.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Host Organization/President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Tournament or Game Director

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Host Organization

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

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Fax

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

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State                      Zip

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Tournament Headquarters

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Fax

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City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State                      Zip

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## TED STEVENS OLYMPIC AND AMATEUR SPORTS ACT

### §220525. Granting sanctions for amateur athletic competitions

- (a) **PROMPT REVIEW AND DECISION.**—For the sport that it governs, a national governing body promptly shall—
- (1) review a request by an amateur sports organization or person for a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the United States or to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States; and
  - (2) grant the sanction if—
    - (A) the national governing body does not decide by clear and convincing evidence that holding or sponsoring an international amateur athletic competition would be detrimental to the best interest of the sport; and
    - (B) the requirements of subsection (b) of this section are met
- (b) **REQUIREMENTS.**—An amateur sports organization or person may be granted a sanction under this section only if the organization or person meets the following requirements—
- (1) The organization or person must pay the national governing body any required sanctioning fee, if the fee is reasonable and nondiscriminatory.
  - (2) For a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the United States, the organization or person must—
    - (A) submit to the national governing body an audited or notarized financial report of similar events, if any, conducted by the organization or person; and
    - (B) demonstrate that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.
  - (3) For a sanction to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States, the organization or person must—
    - (A) submit a report of the most recent trip to a foreign country, if any, that the organization or person sponsored for the purpose of having United States amateur athletes compete in international amateur athletic competition; and
    - (B) submit a letter from the appropriate entity that will hold the international amateur athletic competition certifying that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.
  - (4) The requirements referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection are that—
    - (A) appropriate measures have been taken to protect the amateur status of athletes who will take part in the competition and to protect their eligibility to compete in amateur athletic competition;
    - (B) appropriate provision has been made for validation of any records established during the competition;
    - (C) due regard has been given to any international amateur athletic requirements specifically applicable to the competition;
    - (D) the competition will be conducted by qualified officials;
    - (E) proper medical supervision will be provided for athletes who will participate in the competition; and
    - (F) proper safety precautions have been taken to protect the personal welfare of the athletics and spectators at the competition.



**U.S. Soccer Federation, Inc.**  
**APPLICATION TO HOST A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES INVOLVING FOREIGN TEAMS (HAPP 3-03)**

Affiliated with the Federation Internationale de Football Association

**Please Type or Print Clearly**

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Name of Tournament or Games \_\_\_\_\_

Hosting Organization \_\_\_\_\_

State Association/or Sectional Director \_\_\_\_\_

Location (City) of Tournament/Games \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Tournament/Games \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated # of Foreign Teams \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament/Games Director/Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Work (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Ext. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Fax (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Foreign Teams to be Hosted**

Name of Team to be Hosted \_\_\_\_\_ Age Division \_\_\_\_\_ M / F (circle one)

Country \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Team to be Hosted \_\_\_\_\_ Age Division \_\_\_\_\_ M / F (circle one)

Country \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Team to be Hosted \_\_\_\_\_ Age Division \_\_\_\_\_ M / F (circle one)

Country \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Team to be Hosted \_\_\_\_\_ Age Division \_\_\_\_\_ M / F (circle one)

Country \_\_\_\_\_

\*Attach a separate sheet for additional teams

Tournament/Games Director's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Team Names Must Be Submitted 30 Days Prior to Tournament**

**APPROVAL**

**(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)**

U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION, INC.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

FOR HOSTING ORGANIZATIONS AFFILIATED WITH U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION ONLY

I certify that your tournament has been approved for domestic team participation.

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

USSF Org. Member \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*In granting this permission to host a tournament or games, U.S. Soccer shall **NOT** be liable for transportation, lodging or injury to persons or property sustained in the course of the sanctioned event.*

**PROCEDURES FOR HOSTING FOREIGN TEAMS  
IN TOURNAMENTS OR GAMES**

(Teams from outside of the United States, including Canada & Mexico)

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**Documentation must be submitted to US Soccer for approval no later than thirty (30) days in advance of the proposed date(s) of the tournament/games you are requesting permission to host:**

1. a completed *Application to Host a Tournament or Games Involving Foreign Teams* (**must be the original - NO FAXES**);
2. a completed *Tournament Hosting Agreement*, if you are requesting permission to host a tournament, with appropriate supporting data, signed by the President or Chief Officer of the Host Organization, and by the Tournament Director;
3. a copy of the Rules for the Tournament or Games ;
4. applicable fee (\$75.00) made payable to U.S. Soccer: 30 or more days in advance;

After ensuring that your team or organization is in good standing, *U.S. Soccer* will then submit a copy of your tournament rules to *FIFA* (Federation Internationale de Football Association) requesting approval. Upon approval, *U.S. Soccer* will return the approved application to the hosting organization, and a copy to the State Association/Sectional Director.

*U.S. Soccer* will notify the federation from which the teams are traveling to compete in the tournament are associated.

**PROCEDURES FOR HOSTING FOREIGN TEAMS  
IN TOURNAMENTS OR GAMES**

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**PLEASE NOTE**

*U.S. Soccer* is not required to accept or approve any application to host a tournament submitted less than thirty (30) days in advance.

**Please submit application form, required documents, and \$ 75.00 fee to:**

**U.S. Soccer Federation  
Attn: Federation Services  
1801 S. Prairie Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60616**

**312-808-1300  
312-808-9263 fax**

*Please make copies as required for your records. U.S. Soccer will return one form with approval*