



## USA Judo International Staff Participation Acknowledgement and Conduct Agreement/Guidelines

As a Staff member (including but not limited to coach, manager, additional official, or team leader) and as a member of USA Judo, representing the organization during the International Season, I recognize that this role is both an honor and a distinction—one achieved by few and respected throughout the judo community. I understand that United States Judo, Inc. (USA Judo) manages participation in these events and upholds the highest standards for conduct and professionalism.

As an approved coach and a member of USA Judo, I acknowledge and agree to comply with all applicable USA Judo policies, including:

- [Code of Conduct](#)
- [Code of Ethics](#)
- [SafeSport Handbook and Reporting Information](#)
- [Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies \(MAAPP\)](#)

In addition to the above, I agree to the following guidelines while representing USA Judo:

1. Adhere to all event organizers' rules and procedures.
2. Maintain appropriate dress standards in alignment with the host country's cultural norms at all times during the event, including outside of official competition (e.g., in hotels or during informal activities).
  - The following attire is *strictly prohibited*:
    - Short shorts
    - Clothing with profanity or disrespectful language
    - Tank tops (e.g., "wife beater" style shirts)
3. Wear approved official USA Judo gear during the preliminary and semifinal blocks of competition (non-final sessions), which include short or long sleeve polo or t-shirt, long pants (no jeans) and closed toe shoes.

4. Abide by the IJF/PJC Dress Code during the Draw or Final Block: formal suit (jacket, trousers, shirt, and tie for men; jacket, trousers/skirt/dress, blouse for women)
5. Refrain from using profane, disrespectful, or inappropriate language.
6. Avoid the excessive consumption of alcohol.
7. Comply fully with the laws, rules, and regulations of the host country.
8. Respect coaching boundaries: I will coach only the athlete(s) I am officially assigned to and will not solicit other athletes for coaching services.
9. I understand that I am somewhat responsible for the actions and conduct of the athlete(s) I am coaching, and I will make every reasonable effort to ensure their behavior aligns with USA Judo's standards and expectations.
10. Attend all official USA Judo team meetings and gatherings as required.
11. Acknowledge that the official USA Judo Head Coach is the designated authority (the boss) at all events/activities. I will respect and follow their decisions and direction throughout the duration of the event.
12. Understand that if any violations of event organizers' rules are formally reported to USA Judo, such actions will automatically be referred to the USA Judo Ethics and Grievance Committee for review and potential disciplinary action.

I understand that any alleged violation of any policies/guidelines referenced in this document may be reported to the Chief Executive Officer or to the Chair of the USA Judo Ethics and Grievance Committee for review and possible disciplinary action.

I have read this USA Judo Staff Participation Acknowledgement and Conduct Agreement. I fully understand and accept this agreement.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_