

USA Masters Games Code of Conduct

Overview

- The 2017 USA Masters Games (USAMG) has an established and published Code of Conduct in order to help ensure the best possible competition and the most enjoyable participant experience at the Games.
- This Code of Conduct supports USAMG's desire to encourage and promote excellent sportsmanship and appropriate standards of behavior, including fair play on and off the field.
- This Code of Conduct is not intended to restrict or hinder persons having fun and participating in a competitive manner in the USAMG.
- It is important to note that this Code of Conduct may apply in addition to any Code or other disciplinary requirements of a participant's sport governing body. If appropriate and necessary, a Code of Conduct violation will be referred to local law enforcement authorities.

Included Parties

This Code of Conduct is applicable to:

- All persons competing in the USAMG;
- All spectators attending the USAMG;
- All persons officially appointed to any team or individual competing in the USAMG, such as coaches, managers, trainers, etc.;
- All officials who are involved in the event, including referees, umpires, and the like; and
- All USAMG employees, representatives, or volunteers

The Code applies during the entire period of the USAMG, from the time of the commencement of the first practice sessions at the beginning of the Games to the conclusion of organized activities at the completion of Closing Ceremonies, including but not limited to:

- All USAMG sport competitions and related venue activities;
- All USAMG Games Village, Opening & Closing Ceremonies, merchandise, special events, and entertainment activities, and
- All official and unofficial social functions of, or associated with, the USAMG.

Prohibited Activities

- Consuming alcohol during competition or outside of an approved area, in line with relevant state alcohol laws
- Being unduly intoxicated or under the influence of drugs at any event venue or official and unofficial social functions of, or associated with, the USAMG
- Breaching anti-doping policies that may be applicable to certain sports
- Using any illegal drug during the USAMG
- Smoking tobacco products in any Games venue or activity area
- Failing to comply with a reasonable or required direction of an authorized Sport or USAMG Official or executive
- Harassing any other person
- Causing a major disturbance or interruption in the competition or activities of the USAMG
- Such other acts that would adversely affect safety or significantly detract from an enjoyable USAMG participant experience

Sanctions

Any Included Parties conducting or participating in any of the above Prohibited Activities will be subject to appropriate actions and penalties imposed by the sport governing body, and/or USA Masters Games management and officials, and/or local law enforcement, including loss of credential and participant privileges at the USAMG (i.e. ejection with no right of return).