



ATHLETE/COACH/TRAINING PARTNERS GENERAL INFORMATION

MANDATORY MEETING

A mandatory meeting will be held for all coaches, athletes and training partners at Thomas and Mack Center, The Board Room, on Thursday 6/12 at 7:00pm sharp. Coaches not attending this mandatory meeting may have their credentials revoked prior to competition beginning on Friday morning.

CREDENTIALS

Credentials will be available for pick up at the Cox Pavilion, adjacent to the Thomas and Mack Center at UNLV, on Thursday 6/12 from 9:00am-6:00pm. Credentials must be worn at all times. Credentials will allow you to sit in the "athlete section" of the venue only. Please be reminded that all training partners must purchase their credential for \$40.

SEATING

For those with proper credentials (athletes, coaches, training partners), during times/days you are not competing you may sit in the designated "Athlete Only" seating near sections 101 and 122. No spectators will be allowed in this area. If you would like to sit in a regular spectator seat, a separate ticket must be purchased.

SCALES/WEIGH IN

Unofficial scales will be available at the Excalibur Hotel beginning Wednesday 6/11 afternoon. The exact location will be posted. Official weigh-ins will be held on the morning of competition for the categories competing that day. The official weigh in time will be 6:00 am - 7:00 am.

TRANSPORTATION

There will be **no** transportation provided for this event. Athletes are responsible for their own air transportation as well as transportation to and from the airport. Cab fare between the hotel and the airport is approximately \$15.00. **VERY IMPORTANT: Transportation between the venue and hotel will not be provided.** Cab fare between the venue and the Excalibur hotel is approximately \$7.00 and takes approximately 5-7 minutes with traffic.

MEALS

It is the responsibility of the athletes and coaches to plan their meals accordingly, as the only source of food at the venue is a public snack bar.

JUDO GI'S

All markings on judo gi's must comply with IJF Sports and Organizational Rules. Any unauthorized advertisements must be removed/or will be removed from the gi. Competitors must supply their own white and blue judo gi.

GI PATCHING

Judo gi's must be brought to the Cox Pavilion, accreditation room, at 9:00am Thursday 6/12. Please bring both your blue and white competition gi's. Gi's will be patched on a first come, first serve basis. Gi's can be picked up between 5:00pm-6:00pm on Thursday at the Cox Pavilion.

SWEATSUITS

All athletes previously issued National Team sweat suits, **must** bring the complete set, top and bottom, to the Trials for the presentation of the Olympic Team, if the winner, on Saturday evening.

COACHES

Coaches must adhere to the USA Judo Coach Certification protocol. Coaching credentials must be current. Appropriate apparel must be worn; no cut offs, tank tops, inappropriate markings on clothing will not be permitted. Judo-gi's will not be worn while sitting in the coaches chair.

OLYMPIC STAFF REHEARSAL

A mandatory Staff Team Presentation rehearsal will take place at the venue on Friday afternoon between the morning and evening session. Please report to the warm up area immediately upon conclusion of the last match.

TEAM PRESENTATION

All winners of the Olympic Team Trials must participate in a **mandatory** Presentation of the 2008 Olympic Team on Saturday evening immediately after the conclusion of competition. Olympic Team qualifiers who competed on Friday must report to the warm up area by 7:15pm. You must wear your USA Team warm ups. The awards ceremonies will be very short, but will be part of the NBC show. Unqualified division winners will not take part in this presentation.

EVENT PROTOCOL

As will be explained at the mandatory meeting on Thursday evening, a strict protocol will be followed in entering and exiting the venue. This protocol will reflect what will be in place at the Olympic Games. Coaches and athletes will be escorted to and from the warm up area and competition tatami. No one will be allowed onto the competition floor unescorted. Please remember that we are sharing the competition floor with wrestling and they too, will be required to follow this same protocol.

TRAINING PARTNERS

Training partners will be allowed in the warm up area and in designated "athlete/coaches" venue seating only.

WARM UP AREA

The warm up area in the Cox Pavilion will be available beginning Thursday at 8am. The Thomas & Mack Center will not be available due to graduation services. Entrance to the warm up area on Thursday only, will be through the Cox Pavilion (see attached map "blue credential entrance").

USA OLYMPIC FLAG

Upon making the Olympic Team, you will be asked by the Team Managers to sign a few USA Olympic Flags. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated by the staff and other members of the Olympic Team. This will be a keepsake memento of your first day as an Olympian, so please help us make this happen.

USA JUDO OLYMPIC TEAM CELEBRATION & PAST OLYMPIAN REUNION

On Saturday evening immediately after the awards presentation, USA Judo and Las Vegas Events will be hosting a reception for the USA Judo Olympic Team as well as for all past Olympians attending the event. Each member of the USA Olympic Team will be provided two invitations to this reception. This event is by invitation only, and it is an event not to be missed, as already over 40 past Judo Olympians have RSVP to the event. The members of the 2008 Olympic Team will be provided a special gift which will only be presented at this reception. Please plan for this reception to last no more than an hour. Food and drinks will be provided to all invitees. Please plan on who will be your two guests so that they will be ready to attend this prestigious gathering of Judo Olympics of all ages. The reception will be at the venue and you are asked to wear your National Team Sweats. Winners of the unqualified divisions are invited, however, will not be a part of the Team presentation.