



# 2013 MEDIA CREDENTIALS APPLICATION USA WRESTLING NATIONAL EVENTS

Please check the events that you will attend. Feel free to photocopy. All media credential requests must be received by deadline date for each specific event. Confirmation letter and more information on the individual events will be sent to you. Applicants must agree to comply with media credential regulations .

	<u>Application deadline</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Dave Schultz Memorial International, Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 30-Feb. 2	January 25
<input type="checkbox"/> Girls Folkstyle Nationals and Junior Duals, University Nationals, Oklahoma City, Okla., March 29-31	March 25
<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Keen Folkstyle National Championships (Junior, Cadet, Kids), Cedar Falls, Iowa., April 5-7	April 1
<input type="checkbox"/> NWCA-USA Wrestling Scholastic Duals, Crawfordsville, Ind., April 11-13	April 9
<input type="checkbox"/> ASICS/Las Vegas U.S. Open and FILA Junior Nationals, Las Vegas, April 17-20	April 12
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Grappling World Team Trials, Las Vegas., April 18-20	April 12
<input type="checkbox"/> Body Bar Women’s National Championships (FILA Cadet & Junior, Girls), Lakeland, Fla., May 10-12	May 7
<input type="checkbox"/> ASICS University Nationals/FILA Cadet Nationals, Akron, Ohio, May 23-26	May 20
<input type="checkbox"/> National Schoolboy/girl Duals, Indianapolis, Ind., June 5-9	June 1
<input type="checkbox"/> National Cadet Duals, Daytona Beach, Fla., June 11-15	June 8
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. World Team Trials and FILA Junior World Team Trials, Oklahoma City, Okla., June 21-23	June 8
<input type="checkbox"/> ASICS National Kids Freestyle/Greco-Roman Championships, Orem, Utah, June 24-26	June 20
<input type="checkbox"/> National Junior Duals, Oklahoma City, Okla., June 25-29	June 21
<input type="checkbox"/> ASICS/Vaughan Junior and Cadet Nationals (men & women)/Women’s Jr Duals, Fargo, N.D., July 12-20	July 9
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Beach National Championships, TBA April	TBA

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

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Web page : \_\_\_\_\_

Number of press row passes requested: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of photographer/TV passes requested: \_\_\_\_\_

For Print media - Paid circulation: \_\_\_\_\_ For TV/radio: Will you be broadcasting live? Circle YES or NO

Names of journalists and job titles using passes:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and title of journalist making request

Date

**RETURN TO: USA Wrestling, 6155 Lehman Drive, Colorado Springs, CO, 80918 Attn: Craig Sesker  
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# 2013 USA WRESTLING MEDIA CREDENTIAL REGULATIONS

## 1. Eligibility

USA Wrestling will issue media credentials to members of the working press only. Journalists who receive credentials must be on assignment for a specific media outlet at each event. All journalists who wish to attend USA Wrestling events must submit a media credentials application.

Freelance journalists must submit a letter, on letterhead, from an editor or other staff professional from the media outlet for which they are working. The letter must indicate that they are on assignment at that specific event. Copies of articles or proof of photographs in media outlets may be requested by USA Wrestling.

## 2. Application deadlines

Press credential applications must be received at USA Wrestling by the deadline date for each specific event. USA Wrestling will not guarantee that journalists who submit their applications after the deadline will be accommodated.

Applying in no way guarantees that your agency will receive credentials. At some events, space may be limited and only a certain number of media credentials will be issued.

Journalists may apply for more than one USA Wrestling event at a time, by filling out one of USA Wrestling's multi-event credential forms.

## 3. Credential acceptance

USA Wrestling encourages all media to attend USA Wrestling events. However, if there is a limitation on the number of credentials issued for a specific event, USA Wrestling will consider the following when issuing approval:

- 1) Consideration for major national media, local media where the event is held, and wrestling specialty media.
- 2) Consideration for media outlets which attend USA Wrestling events on a regular basis.
- 3) Consideration for applications which are received by the deadline date.

## 4. Credential usage

Credentials must be worn at all times. Each media credential is issued specifically for the journalist who was accepted through the credential process. Any media outlet which wishes to change the name(s) of their credentialed journalist(s) may do so, in writing to USA Wrestling, prior to the competition. Credentials may not be given or lent to another person for any reason.

Credentialed journalists will receive admission to the event, access to media work areas at the event venue, as well as any other areas where media accreditation is provided access.

*Misuse of a USA Wrestling media credential or failure to follow USA Wrestling press operation procedures, will result in loss of your credential, removal from the media areas, and the possible loss of credential privileges for future events.*

## 5. Credential pickup

Credentials will be available at a designated area at the event venue, unless otherwise specified in the acceptance literature.

## 6. Photographers

Photography locations and restrictions will be clearly indicated at each major USA Wrestling event. Photographers who do not adhere to these rules will have their credential removed.

USA Wrestling reserves the right to restrict the use of flash photography and strobes at any time. Credentialed photographers must use professional camera equipment.

## 7. Television and internet broadcast coverage

At certain events, USA Wrestling may have a contractual arrangement with a broadcasting company concerning the television coverage and/or the internet broadcast of the event. At some events, non-rights holding television and internet companies may be required to agree to restrictions in order to receive credentials and broadcasting privileges. An internet/broadcast agreement must be signed in order to receive credentials.

## 8. Interview policy

At each USA Wrestling event, credentialed media must agree to work with USA Wrestling communications staff and follow interview policies for that event. Any interview requests not included in the interview policy will be considered on an individual basis.

## 9. U.S. Olympic Training Center interview process.

All media must contact USA Wrestling communication staff in order to conduct any interviews with athletes, coaches or staff members on the U.S. Olympic Training Center complex. A credential will be issued and journalists must be escorted at all times on the USOTC campus by a USA Wrestling staff member.

**USA Wrestling values your media coverage at our events, and appreciates your cooperation with our media regulations. We look forward to working with you at each event.**

**If you have any questions, contact USA Wrestling at 719-598-8181.**