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Entourage Guidelines

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Guidelines for the Conduct of the Athletes Entourage

World Lacrosse has established the following guidelines for the conduct of an Athlete's Entourage. These regulations apply to private and professional entourages.

World Lacrosse may modify these regulations to fulfil requirements made by the governing committee.

1. Definition

An entourage is comprised of those people that provide a role to the athlete's performance and are necessary to allow the athletes to perform to the best of their ability. These include but are not limited to managers, agents, coaches, physical trainers, medical staff, scientists, sports organizations, sponsors, lawyers and family members.

2. Principles

Those people included in the entourage have an understanding and agreement that they are part of this group as a support system that is necessary for the athlete to succeed and excel in their sport and are expected to perform these supportive duties with professionalism, respect and skill.

The entourage must respect and promote ethical principles and always act in the best interest of the athlete.

Members of the entourage must be qualified in their areas of expertise through licenses, certificates, degrees, or diplomas when required by their specific discipline.

Minors and other members will be given special consideration.

3. Integrity

Members of the entourage will act in good faith and demonstrate the highest level of integrity and refrain from actions that are in direct violation of legal and human rights including but not limited to cheating, bribery, doping, harassment or abuse based upon position of authority and influence.

4. Confidentiality

The entourage must respect the confidentiality of the athlete in respect to their personal, business and financial interest and social media context.

5. Transparency

The members of the entourage must be open and transparent about their personal and professional background in areas that could affect the relationship to the athlete and the athlete's performance including but not limited to ethical and legal matters that could affect the athletes' athletic and professional success.

6. Accountability

The members of the entourage must respect the physical and psychological integrity of the athlete and promote the rules and regulations of the sport and encourage the athlete to behave accordingly.

The members of the entourage must keep the athlete informed of any dealings, arrangements or promises made when representing the athlete.

7. Ramifications

Any breach of regulations by a member of the entourage may result in the member of the entourage from being dismissed by World Lacrosse or the governing body of the event.

8. Athlete's Responsibility

The athlete has the responsibility of choosing their entourage and making sure they use their best efforts to ensure that any contract negotiated is done under fair conditions.

9. Notification

All members of the athletes entourage must be submitted to World Lacrosse at least forty eight (48) hours prior to each world event.