

USAA Personal Coach Policy

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

This personal coach policy for international events is not intended to cover every situation, but outline a set of standards for how personal coaches are able to interact with athletes they coach who are traveling on behalf of USA Archery. Any situations not specifically covered here are subject to the decisions of the Head Coach or Head Team Leader when no Head Coach is assigned.

ACCESS WITHOUT ACCREDITATION:

Personal coaches may have access to athletes they coach at the practice area when the practice area is not under accreditation control.

Personal coaches may communicate with athletes they coach at the competition site in any spectator area or at the barrier separating athletes and spectators.

Personal coaches may communicate and socialize with archers they coach in any public areas including hotels, restaurants, shops, etc.

ACCESS WITH ACCREDITATION:

It is possible that a coach can receive accreditation for an international event if there are more accreditations allowed and available for USA Archery. The following policies outline guidelines within this scenario.

Any additional coach accreditations **MUST BE REQUESTED BY THE ARCHER** not the coach.

In order for the coach to be approved for the purchase of an accreditation, the following must ALL apply:

1. A specific archer(s) must request the presence of the coach
2. Additional accreditations must be available for that event
3. Coach agrees to pay all fees associated with the accreditation as well as a \$25 sanction fee from USA Archery
4. Coach must have the support of the team Head Coach. The Head Coach is ultimately in charge of creating a positive and supporting atmosphere at all international events. If the presence of non-ITS coaches creates, or potentially creates any issues for other archers or at their own discretion feel like providing access to any personal coach would be a detriment to the team, the Head Coach has the ability to deny any such request.
5. Coach must be a USA Archery member
6. Coach must sign a release of liability as well as agree to the USA Archery Code of Conduct policies.
7. Coach must conform to all World Archery uniform requirements, including purchasing team uniforms at the coach's expense.

Accredited coaches will only be allowed access in the practice area, not on the field of play without approval from Head Coach. In the event the Head Coach does provide access, it is understood that the personal coach will ONLY coach the individual who has requested their presence and will not engage in communication or coaching with any of the other athletes while on the field of play.

ITS staff will represent the archer in all situations requiring an agent. Athletes can request a different staff by voicing their concerns with the head coach or team leader. The concerned athlete and the head coach and/or team leader will manage the final decision.

ITS staff will be assigned to the coach box in all situations. All efforts will be made to make these assignments as soon as possible; i.e. at the first team meeting or when the schedule of matches is available. Athletes can request a different staff, archer or personal coach by voicing their concerns with the head coach or team leader.

An archer may request another archer to be in the coach box. This is managed with the head coach and/or team leader. Any archer going into the box must be part of the official delegation and have significant experience and knowledge of responsibilities expected from the position.

An archer may request their personal coach to stand in the coach box. Any personal coach standing in the box must have an accreditation and team uniform. This is managed with the head coach and/or team leader.

ACCESS WHEN THERE IS ONLY A TEAM LEADER PROVIDED:

All policies listed above are still in effect. All approvals will come from the Team Leader instead of the Head Coach.

ACCESS WHEN THERE IS NO TEAM STAFF PROVIDED:

All policies listed above are still in effect. All requests and purchases of accreditations must be completed prior to the trip with approval from USA Archery. No onsite accreditation purchases are allowed.

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NATIONAL EVENTS

This personal coach policy is for national level events occurring within the United States. This includes the National Indoor, Field and Outdoor Target Championships. It also includes all USAT Qualifier events and any team trials. This policy is not intended to cover every situation, but outline a set of standards for how personal coaches are able to interact with athletes they coach who are shooting at national events. Any situations not specifically covered here are subject to the decisions of the tournament organizer, head official or the USA Archery event coordinator on site.

ACCESS WITHOUT ACCREDITATION:

Personal coaches may have access to athletes they coach at the practice area when the practice area is not under accreditation control.

Personal coaches may communicate with athletes they coach at the competition site in any spectator area or at the barrier separating athletes and spectators.

Personal coaches may communicate and socialize with archers they coach in any public areas surrounding the venue.

ACCESS WITH ACCREDITATION:

Personal coaches can receive a coach credential on-site at any of these events. The following policies outline guidelines within this scenario.

In order for the coach to be approved for the purchase of an accreditation, the following must ALL apply:

1. A specific archer(s) must request the presence of the coach (coaches cannot receive accreditation; this must be requested specifically by the archer).
2. Coach agrees to pay all fees associated with the accreditation (\$20/event).
3. Coach understands and agrees that this is a privilege and can be revoked if the coach disrupts the event or other athletes in any way. The atmosphere of the event is managed by the event organizers, officials and USA Archery. If the presence of the requesting coach creates, or potentially creates any issues for other archers or at their own discretion feel like providing access to any personal coach would be a detriment to the event, they have the ability to deny any such request.
4. Coach must be a USA Archery member
5. Coach must sign a release of liability as well as agree to the USA Archery Code of Conduct policies.

Accredited coaches will have access to the field of play area from the waiting line to the archer sitting area. It is understood that the personal coach will ONLY coach the individual(s) who has requested their presence and will not engage in communication or coaching with any of the other athletes while on the field of play.