

Athlete Packet & Information Guide

Grappling



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Athlete & Coach Information Guide

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INTRODUCTION

Las Vegas Events (LVE) is honored to host you and provide you a stage to compete at the highest level for one of the coveted spots on the 2007 US World Team that will compete at the 2007 World Grappling Championships in Antalya, Turkey on September 7-9.

As the city of Las Vegas has emerged as one of the world's top special event and resort destinations, Las Vegas Events has also grown. Founded in 1983, LVE is a private, not-for-profit organization funded by hotel room tax that serves as the exclusive major special events agency for the city. Since 1991, Las Vegas Events has produced, presented or supported more than 390 events, which have driven more than 3.3 million visitors to the area, resulting in an economic impact of more than \$2 billion.

Las Vegas is equipped to showcase world-class events and is ready to provide you with an extraordinary and unique event experience. This guide is to assist you in getting around our city and taking advantage of services offered by LVE so that you can concentrate on the competition. We wish you the best of luck, and again, welcome you to Las Vegas.

LVE Tournament Directory

Staff Member	Event Function	Phone	Email
Pat Christensen	LVE President	(702)260-8605	Pat@lasvegasevents.com
Tim Keener	Director of Operations	(702)250-9039	Tim@lasvegasevents.com
Michael Mack	Marketing/Promotions	(702)260-9053	Michael@lasvegasevents.com
Ralph Boshier	Ticket Coordinator	(702)260-8605	Ralph@lasvegasevents.com
Larry Barnson	Tournament Operations	(702)361-5017	LVOC@aol.com

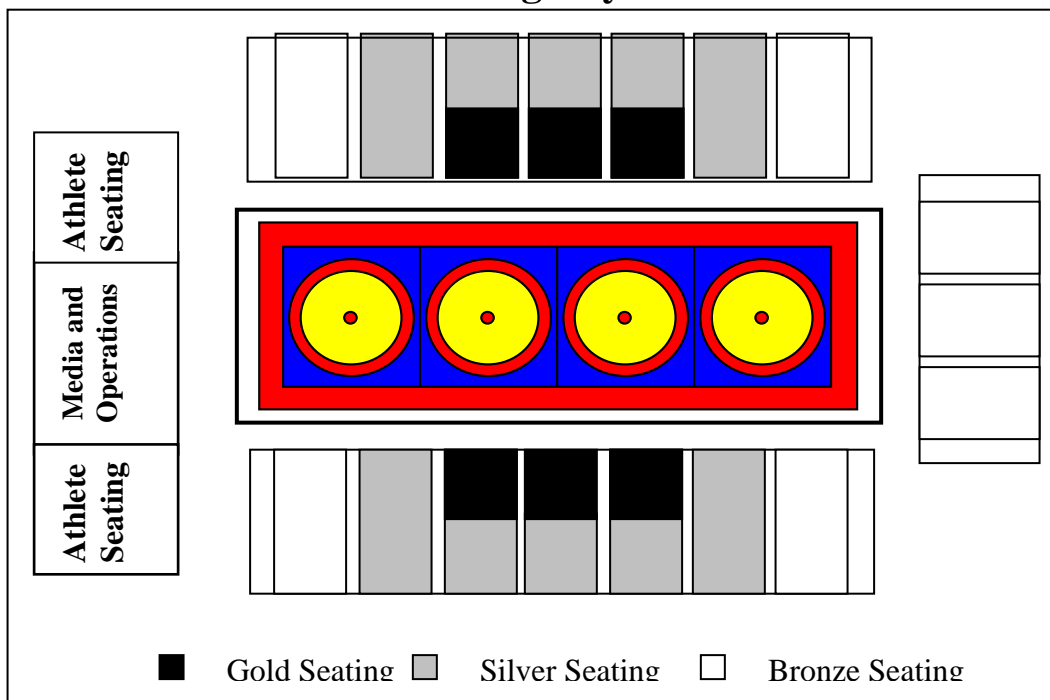


TICKET INFORMATION

Venue Seating Layout

The venue layout for the Las Vegas Convention Center (Hall N-1) is available below. Saturday and Sundays preliminary matches through the semi-finals will be featured on four mats. The final world team trials and third place matches will be on two mats.

LV Convention Center Hall N-1 Seating Lay-out



Ticket Pricing Information

There are three price levels of tickets for the 2007 World Team Trials. Tickets can be purchased by calling 866-388-Fans (3267) or online at USAWrestlingLasVegas.com

- **Gold Medal Section: All-Session Ticket / \$150**
 - Reserved seat in prime location (see seating lay-out)
 - Access to the VIP lounge
 - Free program and bracket sheets
- **Silver Medal Section: All-Session Ticket / \$75, Daily Ticket / \$40**
 - Reserved seat in preferred location
- **Bronze Medal Section: All-Session Ticket / \$40, Daily Ticket / \$25**
 - Open seating in all bronze areas of the venue.

2008 U.S. Olympic Trials – Wrestling Ticket Information

2008 U.S. Olympic Trials – Wrestling tickets will be available and on sale while you are in Las Vegas at the World Team Trials. Only those in attendance at this year's 2007 World Team Trials will receive priority ticket opportunities.



OFFICIAL EVENT HOUSING

Make Hotel Reservation Today!

DEADLINE IS May 7, 2007

Rooms for athletes, coaches and spectators are available at the host Riviera Hotel by calling 1-800-534-6753 or logging on to www.usawrestlinglasvegas.com . For additional hotel choices log-on to www.visitlasvegas.com

VENUE INFORMATION

Las Vegas Convention Center, 3150 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV 89109.
The LV Convention Center is conveniently located ¼ of a mile from the host Riviera Hotel.

Driving Directions from McCarran Airport to LV Convention Center

- Drive east on Wayne Newton Dr. 0.1 miles
- Wayne Newton changes to Swenson St. 1.7 miles
- Turn left on Harman 0.1 miles
- Turn right on Paradise Rd. 1.8 miles
- LV Convention center is on the right 3150 Paradise Rd. 89109

Parking & Entry

- Parking at the LV Convention Center is \$10 per day with free re-entry through-out the day. Convenient parking directly in front of the LV Convention Center and across Paradise Road.

MEDIA INFORMATION

Media Accreditation

Media who are interested in covering the 2007 Grappling World Team Trials should contact Gary Abbott of USA Wrestling at (719) 598-8181 or gabbott@usawrestling.org for media accreditation information. **Media credential applications must be received by May 30, 2007.**

Pre-Event News Conference

USA Wrestling and Las Vegas Events are tentatively planning a pre-event news conference for Friday, June 8th. The site and time of this news conference are to be determined. A number of athletes may be asked to participate upon request from Gary Abbott of USA Wrestling. Further details will be provided at a later date.

Post-Match Interviews

Post- match interviews will follow the challenge tournament and finals matches. Athletes will be requested to meet members of the press in the “media mix zone” prior to leaving to the back of house (warm-up area). Wrestlers will be escorted to the “media mix zone” by the athlete escorts for brief informal interviews with the media.



ATHLETE TECHNICAL & OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Registration

Registration will take place on Friday, June 8th and Saturday, June 9th at the LV Convention Center in **Room (N-243)** from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm each day. Credentials will be issued to athletes, coaches and support staff at this time. (see accreditation) **ALL ATHLETES MUST BE A U.S. CITIZEN PRIOR TO THE START OF THIS EVENT!**

Competitors Entry Fee

Competitors will be required to pay \$40 and have a USAW Competitor's Membership card. If a competitor loses his/her pass, a replacement pass will cost \$20.00

Coaches Pass

Coaches will be required to pay \$25 and have a USAW Coach's Membership card. Only accredited coaches will be permitted to sit in the mat side designated coaches seats. If a coach loses his/her pass, a replacement pass will cost \$20.00.

Skin Checks & Weigh-ins

Medical checks and weigh-ins will take place at the LV Convention Center in **Room N-241**. Medical checks will be from 2:50pm to 3:00pm with weigh-ins immediately following from 3:00pm to 3:30pm. **NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO WEIGH-IN AFTER END TIME.** The schedule for medical checks and weigh-ins are as follows:

Friday, June 8th:

2:50-3:00pm-- Medical Check @ Las Vegas Convention Center **Room N-241**
Men's Grappling: 70 KG, 80 KG and 92 KG
Women's Grappling: 48 KG and 55 KG

3:00-3:30pm-- Weigh-in @ Las Vegas Convention Center **Room N-241**
Men's Grappling: 70 KG, 80 KG and 92 KG
Women's Grappling: 48 KG and 55 KG

Saturday, June 9th:

2:50-3:00pm -- Medical Check @ Las Vegas Convention Center **Room N-241**
Men's Grappling: 62 KG and 125 KG
Women's Grappling: 63 KG and 72 KG

3:00-3:30pm -- Weigh-in @ Las Vegas Convention Center **Room N-241**
Men's Grappling: 62 KG and 125 KG
Women's Grappling: 63 KG and 72 KG



Athlete Escorts

All grapplers and coaches will be escorted to and from the main arena. **NO GRAPPLER OR COACH WILL BE PERMITTED TO SIT OR STAND AROUND THE WRESTLING FIELD OF PLAY.** Grapplers and coaches will be escorted to and from the warm-up area, staging area and field of play via athlete escorts. Call to mat system/monitors will be used in the warm-up area to assist the grapplers and coaches with timing of when to move to the staging area.

Practice Site

Work-outs can be held at the LV Convention Center in the Warm-up area of the main arena. The practice site has four (4) wrestling mats, two (2) five man saunas and bicycles. The entrance to the practice site can be reached through a rear entrance of the LV Convention Center between the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel and the LV Convention Center. Athletes, coaches and work-out partners, **with credentials**, will only be admitted. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** All work-out partners can obtain a work-out credential at accreditation for a cost of \$40. This credential will include entry into the main arena in the athlete seating area. Requests for work-out credentials (names of work-out partner) must appear on the Registration Form. Credentials will be produced in advance. Payment for each credential must be made at accreditation.

Practice Site Dates/Hours of Operations:

Thursday, June 7 th	5:00pm to 9:00pm
Friday, June 8 th	10:00am to 9:00pm
Saturday, June 9 th	8:00am to 5:00pm

Uniforms

Grapplers shall appear on the edge of the mat wearing competition shorts and sleeveless shirt. The shorts must fit tight to the skin and not extend past the knees. They shall not be excessively baggy or have button/snaps that may be unsafe during competition. The sleeveless competition shirt shall be tight fitting. Colors and patterns that may interfere with scoring are not allowed on the competition uniforms (they can be checked by the Head Official before the beginning of competition). The first wrestler called shall put on a red ankle-band and the second a blue ankle-band. The use of light kneepads containing no metal parts is allowed. The grapplers shall carry a handkerchief with them during the whole of the match and shall show it to the referee before the start of the match. Grapplers shall wear the FILA approved competition uniform, their country's emblem on the competition shorts and the abbreviation of their country's name on the back of their competition shirts. They shall not to wear the emblem or abbreviation of a country for which they are not officially competing.

Advertising on clothing

Grapplers may wear a sponsor's name or symbol on their competition uniforms and warm up garments as long as the referee's ability to determine the athlete's competition team is not affected.



Ear Protection

Grapplers may wear FILA approved ear protectors that do not contain any metal or hard cover shells. The referee can oblige a wrestler whose hair is too long to wear ear protectors or athletic hair cover.

Shoes

Grapplers are not required to wear shoes during the match, but those who choose to shall wear FILA approved shoes. The use of shoes with heels or nailed soles, buckles, or any metallic parts is prohibited. Prior to competition, a FILA official shall examine all equipment that is outside of the established normal attire. Shoes with laces shall be wrapped with sticky tape so that they do not come undone during the match. Each grappler is responsible for providing the tape himself/herself for the shoes and laces shall be wrapped prior to stepping onto the mat.

Appearance

Grapplers are prohibited from wearing bandages on the wrists, arms or ankles except in the case of injury or on doctor's orders. These bandages shall be covered with elastic straps. Grapplers are prohibited from wearing any object that might cause injury to an opponent such as necklaces, bracelets, anklets, toe rings, finger rings, piercing of any kind, prosthesis, etc. Grapplers' fingers and toenails (if they opt to not wear shoes) shall be neatly trimmed with no sharp edges. If an athlete's hair is longer than shoulder length and/or bangs extend beyond the ears, the athlete shall wear an athletic hair cover. Grapplers shall be well groomed and their hair and skin shall be free of any greasy, oily or sticky substance. Males' face shall be either clean shaven, or if bearded, the beard shall be trimmed and well groomed. Grapplers may not arrive at the mat perspiring for the beginning of the match. The referee may require a grappler to towel off at any time during the match. In the interest of health, hygiene and a sanitary environment for the athletes, these rules shall be strictly enforced. At weigh-in, a FILA official shall check that each competitor satisfies the requirements of this article. The competitors must be warned that if their appearance is not correct, they will not be allowed to enter the competition. If a grappler enters the mat with an appearance that does not conform to the FILA regulations, he/she will be given one minute to change it, otherwise he/she will lose the match by forfeit.

Doping

As in the past, all finalists of each weight class, will be drug tested by USADA. This will occur at the LV Convention Center immediately following the finals matches each night.

Athlete/Coaches Seating Area

Athletes and coaches will be provided a separate seating area during the Wrestling/Grappling World Team Trials. Only accredited coaches will be permitted to sit in the designated coaches seats. Accredited athlete/coaches will not be permitted to sit in the spectator sections of the venue.



ACCREDITATION

Credentials will be provided to athletes, coaches and all individuals directly involved in event operations. Credentials must be worn at all times while in the competition and practice venues.

Credential Pick-up

Athlete, Coach and Team Support credentials will be issued in **Room N-243** during the following schedule.

Thursday, June 7th

- 5:00pm to 9:00pm **Room N-243**

Friday, June 8th

- 1:00pm to 6:00pm **Room N-243**

Saturday, June 9th

- 9:00am to 4:30pm **(at front ticket window / front of arena)**

Coaches Credentials

In order to provide the best competition environment while accommodating all participating athletes, USA Wrestling has established a specific policy regarding coaches' credentials at the 2007 USA Grappling World Team Trials. Coaches credentials will be given according to the following formula. One (1) athlete from a club will be allowed up to two (2) non-transferable coaches' credentials. Two (2) to four (4) athletes will be allotted three (3) coaches credentials. Four (4) to ten (10) athletes will be allotted four (4) coaches credentials. Enclosed in this packet is the Coaches Credential Application. Please fax this form to Pete Isais by May 30, 2007 to request all coaches' credentials.

Keeping the "Field of Play" clean and free of coaches, athletes and workout partners will be strictly enforced. There will only be two (2) properly credentialed coaches allowed in each corner. This will be enforced at all times.

Feel free to submit a list of additional coaches to USA Wrestling. Requests will be considered on an individual basis, depending on circumstances. Fax or mail your coaches' names, to USA Wrestling, attention Pete Isais, by May 30, 2007. Fax: (719) 598-9440. You will be notified of your approved list by May 30, 2007.

Trainers/Medical Staff Credentials

Please note that Las Vegas Events will provide medical staff at the event.



2007 US World Team Trials Event Schedule



FRIDAY, JUNE 8

- Grappling-Registration @ Las Vegas Convention Center (All weights)..... 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm*
- Grappling-Medical Check @ Las Vegas Convention Center 2:50 pm – 3:00 pm*
 - Men’s Grappling: 70 KG, 80 KG and 92 KG
 - Women’s Grappling: 48 KG and 55 KG
- Grappling-Weigh-in @ Las Vegas Convention Center..... 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm*
- Wrestling-Registration @ Las Vegas Convention Center (All weights)..... 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm*
- Wrestling-Medical Check @ Las Vegas Convention Center 4:15 pm – 4:30 pm*
 - Men’s Freestyle: 60 KG, 74 KG and 96 KG
 - Greco-Roman: 55 KG, 74 KG, 84 KG and 120 KG
 - Women’s Freestyle: 51 KG, 59 KG, 67 KG and 72 KG
- Wrestling-Weigh-in @ Las Vegas Convention Center..... 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm*
- Wrestling-Seeding Meetings @ Las Vegas Convention Center 5:00 pm*
 - Men’s Freestyle: 60 KG, 74 KG and 96 KG
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***PRESENTATION OF THE 2007 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS
 FOLLOWING LAST FINALS MATCH ON SUNDAY, JUNE 10. ALL
 WORLD TEAM MEMBERS!***

*****GRAPPLING SESSION AND ROUND SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO
 CHANGE BASED UPON NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS.*****

For questions on specific style criteria concerning the World Team Trials, contact Mitch Hull, USA Wrestling Director of National Teams, at (719) 598-8181 or mhull@usawrestling.org.

2007 USA Wrestling Senior Division and Grappling World Team Trials Event Schedule

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

SESSION I - Preliminaries, Quarterfinals and Consolation 9:00 am – 11:30 pm
Men's Freestyle: 60 KG, 74 KG and 96 KG
Greco-Roman: 55 KG, 74 KG, 84 KG and 120 KG
Women's Freestyle: 51 KG, 59 KG, 67 KG and 72 KG

SESSION I - Preliminaries, Quarterfinals and Consolation 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Men's Grappling: 70 KG, 80 KG and 92 KG
Women's Grappling: 48 KG and 55 KG

*SESSION II - Semifinals, Consolations, Consolation Semifinals and
***Challenge Tournament Finals (All women's freestyle weights;
Men's freestyle and Greco-Roman as necessary)*..... 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
Men's Freestyle: 60 KG, 74 KG and 96 KG
Greco-Roman: 55 KG, 74 KG, 84 KG and 120 KG
Women's Freestyle: 51 KG, 59 KG, 67 KG and 72 KG

SESSION II - Semifinals, Consolations, Consolation Semifinals 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Men's Grappling: 70 KG, 80 KG and 92 KG
Women's Grappling: 48 KG and 55 KG

SESSION III – Final World Team Trials and Third Place Matches 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm
*World Team Final Match # 1; Challenge Tournament 3rd Place Matches
World Team Final Match # 2; World Team Final Match # 3 (If necessary)*
Men's Freestyle: 60 KG, 74 KG and 96 KG
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SESSION III – Final World Team Trials and Third Place Matches 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Men's Grappling: 70 KG, 80 KG and 92 KG
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Grappling-Registration @ Las Vegas Convention Center (remaining weights)..... 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

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Women's Grappling: 63 KG and 72 KG

Grappling-Weigh-in @ Las Vegas Convention Center..... 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

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WORLD TEAM TRIALS
 LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
 JUNE 9-10, 2007
Athlete Registration Form



CLUB/TEAM: _____ Date: _____
 Team Leader: _____ Phone Number: _____
 Email Address: _____ Cell Number: _____

MAKE DUPLICATE COPIES AS NEEDED

<u>Athlete Name</u>	<u>Weight</u>	<u>Style (Circle)</u>	<u>Athlete USA Card #</u>
_____	_____	Men's / Women's	_____
_____	_____	Men's / Women's	_____
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_____	_____	Men's / Women's	_____

NOTICE: Please fill in the form with printed characters and fax to: Pete Isais at (719) 598-9440 by **May 30, 2007.**

ABSOLUTELY NO LATE REGISTRATION!!

Documents can be requested via email by contacting Pete Isais at pisais@usawrestling.org.

ALL ATHLETES MUST BE A U.S. CITIZEN PRIOR TO THE START OF THIS EVENT!



**WORLD TEAM TRIALS
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
JUNE 9 - 10, 2007
Additional Credential Form**

CLUB/TEAM: _____ **Date:** _____

Team Leader: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Email Address: _____ **Cell Number:** _____

MAKE DUPLICATE COPIES AS NEEDED

Coach: _____ USA Coaches Card Number: _____

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Wrestler Requesting Credential

Name on Workout Partner Credential /USAW Card #

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