

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL

Any team traveling outside the United States (including Canada and Mexico) must secure permission from their State Association and US Soccer prior to traveling.

The following documents must be submitted to the State Office at least 30 days prior to the scheduled travel.

- US Soccer Federation Application for Foreign Travel
- Ted Stevens Olympic & Amateur Sports Act
- Copy of official brochure, pamphlet, invitation or other applicable material from the Host of the Tournament or Games in which the team is requesting permission to participate.
- Copy of Official roster of traveling team including all players and team officials, signed/stamped by the appropriate Registrar (the team must be in good standing with the state association).
- Check for \$25 made payable to South Texas Youth Soccer Association for the Application for Travel fee.
- Check for \$50 made payable to US Soccer for the non-refundable Application for Travel fee.

All forms must be submitted to the State Office. Upon approval and signing of the forms, they will be forwarded to US Soccer for approval. Applications received less than 30 days prior to departure may be denied by US Soccer. A copy of the approved application will be returned to the designated team contact by US Soccer.



U.S. Soccer Federation, Inc.
APPLICATION FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL (TAPP 3-03)

Affiliated with the Federation Internationale de Football Association

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A. Everyone requesting permission to travel internationally MUST fill out this section
Team Name _____ Age Division _____ M / F (circle one)
League/Home Association _____ State Association _____
Also affiliated with (circle one) AYSO SAY USASA USYSA Other _____
Team Manager/Coach _____ Telephone Work (____) _____ Ext. _____
Address _____ Telephone Home (____) _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Fax (____) _____

I hereby state that during the dates below, the team has no playing commitments at home. All players are fully insured to cover them against injuries sustained on the field and during transportation. I have enclosed my check payable to U.S. Soccer.

Signature of Team Manager/Coach _____ Date _____

B Travel to a TOURNAMENT

If you are requesting permission to travel to a Tournament, you must fill out this section.

We request approval to play in the _____ Tournament, to be held in _____, during the dates of _____. (Country)

C Travel to participate in GAMES

If you are requesting permission to travel to participate in games you must complete this section.

We hereby request permission to engage in games between the dates of _____ to _____ in the following locations (attach a separate sheet, if necessary, for additional information/official letter of invitation from host must be attached):

Table with 2 columns: OPPONENT, STATE/COUNTRY. Rows 1-4 for listing opponents and locations.

U.S. Soccer advises that prior to travelling outside the United States, you should check with the U.S. State Department for travel warnings at www.state.gov

APPROVAL (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY)

U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION, INC.
By _____
Title _____
Date _____

FOR ORGANIZATIONS AFFILIATED WITH U.S. SOCCER FEDERATION ONLY
I certify that the team & coach submitting application is in good standing.
By _____
Title _____
USSF Org. Member _____
Date _____

In granting this permission to travel, US Soccer shall NOT be liable for transportation, lodging or injury to persons or property sustained in the course of the sanctioned event.

PROCEDURES FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL

No later than thirty (30) days prior to your departure date, submit to U.S. Soccer for approval:

1. a completed *Application for Foreign Travel* (**must be the original - NO FAXES**);
2. a copy of the official brochure, pamphlet, invitation or other applicable material of the Tournament or Games host;
3. A copy of the official *Roster* which includes all players and team officials, signed and/or stamped by the appropriate registrar;
4. check for the following travel processing fees;
 - a. \$50 (per team) made payable to *U. S. Soccer*.
5. the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act signed compliance.

After approval, U.S. Soccer will forward the approved application to your team coach or manager. *U.S. Soccer* will then notify the national association in the country or countries to which your team is traveling indicating that your team is properly affiliated and has permission to travel.

NOTE

***U.S. Soccer* is not required to accept or approve any application submitted less than thirty (30) days in advance. Submit application form, required documents and fee to:**

U.S. Soccer Federation
Attn: Federation Services Department
1801 South Prairie Avenue
Chicago, IL 60616
312-808-1300
312-808-9263 Fax

Please make copies as required for your records. U.S. Soccer will return one copy with approval.

TED STEVENS OLYMPIC AND AMATEUR SPORTS ACT (TTED 3-03)

(As it Relates to Permission for Foreign Travel)

§220525. Granting sanctions for amateur athletic competitions

(a) PROMPT REVIEW AND DECISION.—For the sport that it governs, a national governing body promptly shall-

(1) review a request by an amateur sports organization or person for a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the United States or to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States; and

(2) grant the sanction if—

(A) the national governing body does not decide by clear and convincing evidence that holding or sponsoring an international amateur athletic competition would be detrimental to the best interest of the sport; and

(B) the requirements of subsection (b) of this section are met

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—An amateur sports organization or person may be granted a sanction under this section only if the organization or person meets the following requirements—

(1) The organization or person must pay the national governing body any required sanctioning fee, if the fee is reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

(2) For a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the United States, the organization or person must—

(A) submit to the national governing body an audited or notarized financial report of similar events, if any, conducted by the organization or person; and

(B) demonstrate that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.

(3) For a sanction to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States, the organization or person must—

(A) submit a report of the most recent trip to a foreign country, if any, that the organization or person sponsored for the purpose of having United States amateur athletes compete in international amateur athletic competition; and

(B) submit a letter from the appropriate entity that will hold the international amateur athletic competition certifying that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.

(4) The requirements referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection are that—

(A) appropriate measures have been taken to protect the amateur status of athletes who will take part in the competition and to protect their eligibility to compete in amateur athletic competition;

(B) appropriate provision has been made for validation of any records established during the competition;

(C) due regard has been given to any international amateur athletic requirements specifically applicable to the competition;

(D) the competition will be conducted by qualified officials;

(E) proper medical supervision will be provided for athletes who will participate in the competition; and

(F) proper safety precautions have been taken to protect the personal welfare of the athletes and spectators at the competition.



I hereby certify that by my signature below, I have read and understand the attached conditions in the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act which will be met during our foreign travel.

Signature of Team Manager/Coach

Date