

2017-18 Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation

Instructions for officials (18 and older)

In compliance with Part IV, Section B, Line 13 of Federal Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, the IKWF requests that any suspicious activity that a member, a members' parent or guardian witness, be reported to Jeff Tolbert at jtoltbert@ikwf.org.

Instructions for officials 18 years old and older:

1. Create an account

- a. Go to www.usawmembership.com (USAW's membership system) and create an account.

Note: *Creating an account only gives you access to the system.*

2. Claim or create a profile

- a. **Returning** officials will **claim** their **old** profile from USAW's previous membership system.
- b. **New** officials will **create** their profile.

Note: *Your profile contains all your personal data.*

3. Complete background screening (if required)

- a. All officials are required to pass a background screening every other season by USAW's background screening provider.
- b. Background screening fee is **\$15**.
- c. Background screenings take a minimum of 5 business days and in some cases up to 30 business days to complete the search after your information has been submitted.

4. Complete Safe Sport Certification (NEW)

- a. Starting with the 2017-18 season, all coaches and officials are required to complete the Safe Sport certification provided by the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) to coach or officiate at any USAW event.
- b. Go here for USAW's Safe Sport Policy:
<http://content.themat.com/AbuseandHarassmentPolicy.pdf>.
- c. Go here to take course: <https://training.teamusa.org/store/details/1>.
- d. You'll need your USAW ID to link your certification to your USAW profile.
- e. **There is no fee to take this course.**

PLEASE NOTE: You are **required** to have an APPROVED BACKGROUND SCREENING and a COMPLETED SAFE SPORT CERTIFICATION before you can purchase your USAW official's membership.

5. Purchase USA Wrestling Official's Membership

- a. **\$30 fee** if the second page is completed and sent to the IKWF office for processing.
- b. **\$34.75 fee** if you purchase your membership at www.usawmembership.com.

If you complete page 2, mail it to the address below with your \$30 check, payable to IKWF:

IKWF
4932 Wilshire Blvd
Country Club Hills IL 60478

IKWF/USAW RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT WITH PARENTAL CONSENT ("AGREEMENT")

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate in any way in any event ("Activity") at any time during the current membership year, I, for myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin:

1. ACKNOWLEDGE, agree, and represent that I understand the nature of the Activity and that I am qualified, in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity. I further agree and warrant that if, at any time, I believe the conditions to be unsafe, I will immediately discontinue further participation in the Activity.
2. FULLY UNDERSTAND that: (a) THIS ACTIVITY INVOLVES RISKS AND DANGERS OF SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, INCLUDING PERMANENT DISABILITY, PARALYSIS, AND DEATH ("Risks"); (b) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Activity, the conditions in which the Activity takes place, or THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" NAMED BELOW; (c) there may be OTHER RISKS or SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LOSSES either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES I incur as a result of my participation, or that of the minor, in the Activity.
3. HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the sanctioning organization(s), their administrators, directors, agents, officers, members, volunteers, and employees, other participants, officials, rescue personnel, sponsors, advertisers, owners and lessees of Premises on which the Activity is conducted, (each of the forgoing shall be considered one of the RELEASEES herein) FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON MY ACCOUNT CAUSED, OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS; AND I FURTHER AGREE that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which may be incurred as the result of such claim.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I AM AGE 18 OR OLDER, HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, HAVE SIGNED IT FREELY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE, AND I INTEND IT TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID, THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING, SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

Please select all that apply: Coach Official

Today's Date: ____/____/____

Printed Name of Participant: _____ USAW ID: _____

Participant Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Participant Signature **only** if 18 years old or older: _____

MINOR RELEASE: (must be completed by Parent/Guardian for any participant under the age of 18)

AND I, THE MINOR'S PARENT AND/OR LEGAL GUARDIAN, UNDERSTAND THE NATURE OF THE ACTIVITY AND THE MINOR'S EXPERIENCE AND CAPABILITIES AND BELIEVE THE MINOR TO BE QUALIFIED, IN GOOD HEALTH, AND IN PROPER PHYSICAL CONDITION TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH ACTIVITY. I HEREBY RELEASE, DISCHARGE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, LOSSES, OR DAMAGES ON THE MINOR'S ACCOUNT CAUSED, OR ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE "RELEASEES" OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING NEGLIGENT RESCUE OPERATIONS AND FURTHER AGREE THAT IF, DESPITE THIS RELEASE, I, THE MINOR, OR ANYONE ON THE MINOR'S BEHALF MAKES A CLAIM AGAINST ANY OF THE RELEASEES NAMED ABOVE, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSS LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR ANY COST THAT MAY OCCUR AS A RESULT OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian: _____ Relation to Minor: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Today's Date: ____/____/____