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Gainesville, FL

Participant Manual

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, December 6th

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| 11:55 am – 12:10 pm | Press Conference (team practicing at 12:15pm) |
| 12:00 pm | Hospitality opens at Lower Level of Gate 3 |
| 12:15 pm – 1:45 pm | Practice – <u>Winner of St. Johns Regional</u> |
| 1:40 pm – 1:55 pm | Press Conference (team practicing at 2:00 pm) |
| 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm | Practice – <u>Winner of USC Regional</u> |
| 3:25 pm – 3:40 pm | Press Conference (team practicing at 3:45 pm) |
| 3:45 pm – 5:15 pm | Practice – <u>Winner of Florida Regional</u> |
| 5:10 pm – 5:25 pm | Press Conference (team practicing at 5:30 pm) |
| 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm | Practice – <u>Winner of Texas Regional</u> |
| 7:30 pm | Administrative/Coaches Meeting, Martial Arts Room, O'Connell Center |

Friday, December 7th

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| 9:30 am | Hospitality Opens at Lower Level of Gate 3 |
| 10:00 am – 11:00 am | Practice – <u>Winner of St. Johns Regional</u> |
| 11:05 am – 12:05 pm | Practice - <u>Winner of USC Regional</u> |
| 12:10 pm – 1:10 pm | Practice – <u>Winner of Florida Regional</u> |
| 1:15 pm – 2:15 pm | Practice – <u>Winner of Texas Regional</u> |
| 3:00 pm | Officials Meeting, Martial Arts Room, O'Connell Center |
| 3:30 pm | O'Connell Center Gates Open |
| 4:30 pm | <u>St. Johns Reg. Winner</u> vs. <u>USC Reg. Winner</u> |
| 7:00 pm | <u>Florida Reg. Winner</u> vs. <u>Texas Reg. Winner</u> |

Saturday, December 8th

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| 9:30 am – 12:30 am | Hospitality Opens at Lower Level of Gate 3 |
| 10:00 am – 11:00 am | Practice – Winner of Match #1 |
| 11:05 am – 12:05 pm | Practice – Winner of Match #2 |
| 3:00 pm | O’Connell Center Gates Open |
| 4:00 pm | Regional Final Match |

ADMINISTRATIVE/COACHES MEETING

The NCAA Division I Women’s Volleyball Committee representative will conduct a meeting of the coaches, directors of athletics/senior woman administrators, and sports information directors of the competing teams on Thursday, December 6, 2007 at 7:30 pm in the Martial Arts Room of the O’Connell Center, to review tournament procedures. It is mandatory that each institution’s head or assistant coach, athletics director or senior woman administrator, or a designated administrator other than the head or assistant coach, and the sports information director attend the meeting; one individual may not represent the institution as both the athletics administrator and the sports information director, nor may a coach who also holds the position of athletics administrator at his or her institution serve as the designated administrator at this meeting. Head coaches are encouraged, but not required to attend the meeting.

Administrators are requested to bring to the meeting typewritten lists of the following (please see page 12): (1) Players names; (2) coaching staff names; (3) remaining individuals names comprising the 22 who should receive credentials; and, (4) the number, not names, of cheerleaders, mascots, and band members (including the band director).

CHEERLEADERS/MASCOTS/BANDS/BANNERS

Band members are limited to 30. Cheerleaders and/or spirit team members, not to exceed 12 in number, plus the mascot (total of 13) shall be admitted free, if in uniform, via the gate list (please see page 13). The games committee must be informed no later than at the Administrative/Coaches meeting of an institution’s intent to have a band, cheerleaders, and/or mascot participate in the championship. If a team does not have a band present, it may provide a tape of the institution’s fight song to be played at the team’s first timeout of each game.

The cheerleader sponsor must purchase a ticket. They are not admitted free of charge, even if the institution does not have 13 cheerleaders/mascots.

All stunts that are higher than two persons from the floor are prohibited. No trampolines or human tosses are permitted.

Cheerleaders shall be seated on the apron of the playing area designated by the NCAA Women's Volleyball Committee. Cheerleaders and mascot will switch ends of the floor with their team.

Megaphones may be used for voice amplification, but they shall not be used as a noise distraction.

The display of banners is subject to the approval of the games committee. (The University of Florida has made a decision to not have banners except an official NCAA banner and the names of the competing institutions.)

DRUG TESTING

Drug testing may occur at any session of the championship. If it occurs at this round, couriers will make contact in the locker room immediately following the 10-minute cooling off period with the student-athletes who are to be tested and will escort them to the drug testing area within one hour after the conclusion of the competition. Student-athletes selected for drug testing should first attend the post-game press conference (if designated) before reporting to the drug testing area.

HOSPITALITY

Student-athletes hospitality will be located at Gate 3, on the lower level, of the Stephen C. O'Connell Center. It will be open during practices Thursday-Saturday and during the first round matches. Hospitality for coaches, institutional personnel, and media will be in the Martial Arts Room, of the Stephen C. O'Connell Center, and entry is permitted to those with appropriate passes.

HOST HOTEL INFORMATION

16 rooms will be reserved for each team at the following hotel locations: (All rooms are booked for 4 nights: checking in 12/6/07, checking out 12/10/07). If a team prefers to stay at another hotel, it must obtain from the hotel manager a written release of the reserved rooms or utilize the rooms for persons accompanying the official party. If an institution fails to make satisfactory arrangements with the hotel for the use of the originally reserved rooms, full charges for these rooms will be deducted from the institutions' per diem.

Texas Site Winner

Best Western Gateway Grand
4200 NW 97th Blvd, Gainesville, Florida, 32606
Phone: 352/331-3336
Fax: 352/331-3337
Contact:

Directions from I-75: Exit no. 390 from I-75 and go west to the first street on the right after the gas station by I-75 and NW 97th Blvd. Turn right. You will see the Gateway Grand on the left.

Directions from Gainesville Regional Airport: Exit the airport by turning right onto NE 39th Avenue and follow 39th Ave. out to I-75, approximately 10 miles. Go over I-75 and turn at the first street on the right past the gas station. You will see the Gateway Grand on the left.

St. Johns Site Winner

Comfort Inn West
3440 SW 40 Blvd.
Gainesville, FL 32608
Phone: 352/264-1771
Fax: 352/264-9996
Hotel Contact: Nicole Orsua

Directions from I-75: From I-75 take exit #384, go east on Archer Rd. 1/8 mile then left on 40th Blvd. Comfort Inn is 1/8 mile on the left.

Directions from Gainesville Airport: From the airport, head west (right) on to SR 222 (39th Avenue). Stay on 39th Avenue approximately 9 miles, and head south on I-75. At Exit 384 – Archer Road, exit from I-75 and head east on Archer Road. The first crossroad is SW 40th Boulevard. Turn left onto SW 40th Boulevard. Comfort Inn is 1/8 mile down on the west side (left).

USC Site Winner

Spring Hill Suites by Marriott
4155 SW 40 Blvd.
Gainesville, FL 32608
Phone: 352/376-8873
Fax: 352/376-8894
Hotel Contact: Elaine Connolly

Directions from I-75: From I-75, take exit 384. Turn right onto Archer Road. Turn right onto SW 40th Blvd. The hotel will be 1/10 mile on the left side.

Directions from Gainesville Airport: From the airport, head west (right) on to SR 222 (39th Avenue). Stay on 39th Avenue approximately 9 miles, and head south on I-75. At Exit 384 – Archer Road, exit from I-75 and head east on Archer Road. The first crossroad is SW 40th Boulevard. Turn right onto SW 40th Boulevard. The hotel is 1/10 mile down on the left side.

Florida Site Winner

The University Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn University Center)
1250 W. University Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32601
Phone: 352/ 376-1661
Fax: 352/336-8718
Hotel Contact: Kimberly Cason

Directions from I-75: From I-75 take exit 387 (Newberry Road), turn right onto Newberry Road (SR26 East), proceed 5 miles to the Holiday Inn located on the left at the corner of (US 26 & 441) University Ave. and 13th Street.

Directions from Gainesville Airport: Turn right on 39th Avenue/State Road 222 as you leave the airport. Continue west until you come to 13th Street (441), turn left and travel until you see the hotel on the left at the intersection of 13th Street and University Avenue (just past a McDonald's Restaurant.)

LAUNDRY

Laundry facilities are available in the Lemerand Center. Please contact Van Stuckey at 352/375-4683, ext. 4000 to make arrangements.

LOCAL HOTELS/RESTAURANTS/ENTERTAINMENT

Please see the enclosed visiting team guide for more information on hotels, restaurants, and entertainment in the Gainesville area.

LOCKER ROOMS

Locker rooms will be provided for competing teams at the tournament site. You will receive your Locker room assignments at your Thursday Practice. The locker rooms will be equipped with shower facilities and the following supplies will be provided for each team: towels, water and ice, chalkboards/erasers/chalk.

MERCHANDISE

Limited officially licensed NCAA merchandise will be available at the O'Connell Center during the games. If you would like to place an order in advance, please contact John Sullivan at 352/375-4683 ext. 6514.

PARKING/ARENA ENTRANCES

Reserved parking for teams, NCAA representatives, officials, and event staff will be located in the West Lot between the O'Connell Center and the University of Florida Baseball Stadium (please see page 15).

A special entrance for the teams, NCAA representatives, officials and event staff has been set up at Gate 4 through the O'Connell Center's loading dock. Each team and their support staff should enter the arena together.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Teams will be provided 1 ½ hours of practice time in the facility the day prior to and one hour practice time the day of the games. Credentials are not required for these practices. Each institution must have an administrator present at its practices. This individual may be a trainer, sports information director, or other administrator. A member of the coaching staff does not meet this requirement.

Practices on Thursday will be open to the public while the practices on Friday and Saturday will be closed.

Please call Jack Pfaff at 352/375-4683 ext. 6033 or 352/318-3457 (cellular), to confirm practice times.

PRESS/INTERVIEW ROOM

All press conferences will be conducted in the Martial Arts Room and will take place immediately after the 10-minute cooling off period following the conclusion of matches. The Martial Arts Room is located on the ground floor of the hallway between Gates 1 and 4 of the O'Connell Center.

The non-advancing team will go to the interview room first, followed by the winning team. The cooling off period begins when the respective head coaches enter the locker room following the conclusion of the match.

Regardless of any personal regular-season radio or television contract(s), the head coach first is obligated to the entire media staffing the tournament and must report to the interview room immediately after the cooling off period. The Coach cannot delay a post-match interview with the covering media to conduct a program for a single newspaper, radio, or television reporter unless requested to grant a short interview (not to exceed four minutes) by the television network that has purchased rights.

Assistant coaches are permitted to participate in radio interviews prior to the expiration of the cooling off period.

RADIO

Space automatically will be reserved for each participating institution's home radio station as designated by the institution. All other stations in that institution's area will be served on a first-come, first served basis in accordance with the priority established by the NCAA radio policy.

Broadcasts of the championship must conform to the general broadcasting policies established by the Association. All stations broadcasting the championship competition will be required to sign a radio agreement provided by the host institution.

Official college or university noncommercial stations of the host institution and competing institutions that broadcast their institutions' regular season competition will not be charged a rights fee. All commercial stations must pay a rights fee. Rights fees shall be determined by the games committee. The recommended minimum fees for Division I championships are \$50 per contest for originating and \$15 per feeder station. All commercials must conform to the NCAA sponsorship restriction policy.

The appropriate sports committee retains the right to redistribute an institution's radio broadcast of any match in an NCAA championship. Such redistribution shall not take place within that radio station's broadcast area. To accomplish redistribution, an institution's radio station will be required to provide to the NCAA (at no cost to the station) an audio feed of a match.

SCOUTING SEATS

Three scouting seats shall be reserved for each team's coaching staff of the participating teams. The scouting seats are located at each end of press row. Scouts may gain access to the scouting seats with their bench credential.

No scouting seats shall be reserved for any team participating at another site. Scouts from teams participating at the same site may access scouting seats by use of the bench credential. Three scouting seats will be provided at each round of competition. If a member of the video editing staff will be part of the scouting crew, than a fourth seat may be added.

SPORTS INFORMATION/CREDENTIALS

All requests for media credentials need to be submitted via email to Cory Walton at CoryW@Gators.UAA.UFL.EDU. Please direct questions to Cory at 352/375-4683, ext. 6120.

You must wear your media credentials at all times. Misuse will result in revocation of your credentials and removal from the media area. Your credentials are nontransferable. Credentials may be claimed at Stephen C. O'Connell Center's Will Call Window the day of competition.

TICKET INFORMATION

Requests for tickets must be made through Matt Goss at 352/375-4683, ext. 6848.

Ticket packages (both days) may be purchased in advance for \$15.00 for level 1; \$12.00 Level 2 Adult; \$8.00 Level 2 youth (12 and under) and senior citizens. Single-session tickets for Level 2 may also be purchased beginning on the day of the first game for \$10.00 for adults; \$7.00 for senior citizens; and \$5.00 for children 12 and under.

The ticket windows are located at Gate 1 of the O'Connell Center. The arena will open for fans 1 hour prior to the beginning of the games.

The Will Call window for the teams is also at Gate 1. Should your university be purchasing tickets for student-athletes' families, our ticket office will handle this at the Will Call Window. Please see page 17 for the Players Guest List and fax it to Matt Goss at 352/372-5801. At the conclusion of the tournament, your university will be invoiced for the tickets actually used.

TOURNAMENT WEBSITE

All matches will be updated on the Internet through www.Gatorzone.com.

TRAINING ROOM/MEDICAL INFORMATION

The O'Connell Center training room will have taping and treatment facilities available for all teams. Although there are some courtesy products available, each institution should bring its own stock. Trainers will be available throughout the entire tournament. Please call Connie Andrews at 352/375-4683, ext. 5106, for any special arrangements needed. The trainer for each team will receive more information upon arrival to Gainesville. A physician will be seated behind the home team bench. Shands Hospital is the designated hospital for the event. It is located ½ mile south of the Stephen C. O'Connell Center (Please see page 16).

TRANSPORTATION

National Car Rental

Location: Gainesville Regional Airport
Phone: 352/377-7005 or 1-800-227-7368

Hertz Car Rental

Location: Gainesville Regional Airport
Phone: 352/373-8444 or 800-654-3131

Budget Car Rental

Location: Gainesville Regional Airport
Phone: 800-527-7000

BUS TRANSPORTATION:

Champion Coach Charter Department
Phone: 864-284-9000

Avis Rent-A-Car

Location: Gainesville Regional Airport
Phone: 352/376-8115 or 800-831-2847

Candies Coachworks

Phone: 1-877-FLCANDIE

Bus Bank – ask for Brian Bednerek
Phone: 1-866-428-7226 x6157

UNIFORMS

The committee representative will designate the home and visiting team for each match. The higher seeded team will wear light colors, the lower seeded team will wear dark colors.

An institution's official uniform and all other items of apparel (e.g. socks, headbands, T-shirts, wristbands, visors or hats, and towels) that are worn by student-athletes in competition may bear a single manufacturer's or distributor's normal trademark, not to exceed 2 ¼ square inches, including any additional material (e.g., patch) surrounding the normal trademark or logo. The logo or trademark must be contained within a four-sided geometrical figure (e.g., rectangle, square or parallelogram).

VIDEOTAPES/FILMS/STILL PHOTOGRAPHS

A team may videotape all matches in which it is participating at the site.

Institutions are permitted to videotape championship competition by their teams or their individual student-athletes for archival, coaching, or instructional purposes.

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OFFICIAL TRAVEL PARTY LIST**

Team: _____

Administrators: _____

Head Coach: _____

Assistant Coaches: _____

Manager: _____

Trainer: _____

S.I.D.: _____

Others: _____

Radio Broadcast Hook-up: YES or NO

Players: 1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

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10. _____

11. _____

12. _____

13. _____

14. _____

15. _____

Number in Band: _____(including director)

Number of cheerleaders/mascot: _____(including sponsor)

**Please Fax to Jack Pfaff at 352/ 376-9132
no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2007**

BAND/CHEERLEADER/MASCOT LIST

Institution: _____

Band Director: _____ Work Phone: _____

Band Members (Including Director – maximum of 30):

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| 1. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 18. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 19. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 20. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 21. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 22. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 23. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 24. _____ |
| 10. _____ | 25. _____ |
| 11. _____ | 26. _____ |
| 12. _____ | 27. _____ |
| 13. _____ | 28. _____ |
| 14. _____ | 29. _____ |
| 15. _____ | 30. _____ |

Cheerleader Coach: _____ Work Phone: _____

Mascot: _____

Cheerleaders (maximum of 12):

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 12. _____ |

**Please Fax to Jack Pfaff at 352/ 376-9132
no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 4, 2007**