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INVITATION

The USA Hockey Officiating Program cordially invites you to attend the year 2008 District Officiating Seminar in Cody, Wyoming. The seminar will feature in-depth training for registered hockey officials from across the Northern Plains District. Top instructors from the USA Hockey National Officiating Program will be the primary instructors. Detailed information to acquaint you with the program follows:

WHAT

The fundamental purpose of a District Officiating Seminar is to bring the essentials of the week-long USA Hockey Regional Development Camps to local areas throughout the country. The seminars are targeted at Level 3 and 4 officials who, for whatever reason, are unable to attend a USA Hockey Summer Development Camp. The seminar will feature intensive skating instruction and focus on advanced officiating mechanics and judgment.

WHO

All registered officials are welcome to apply. Enrollment priority, however, will be given to Level 3 and 4 officials in the Northern Plains District. Officials below Level 3 and those from other districts will be accommodated on a space-available basis.

Because of the geographic location and the special needs of the Northern Plains District, Level 4 testing will be completed at the conclusion of this District Officiating Seminar. Attendance at this seminar will satisfy the USA Hockey mandatory annual seminar requirement. The Level 2-3 closed-book exams will be administered as part of the seminar program. Level 4 officials will need to spend a little extra time on Sunday afternoon to complete the level 4 closed book and skating exams. Full officiating equipment (including helmet) must be worn for all on-ice sessions.

WHEN

The program begins Thursday, September 4th, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. and concludes Sunday, September 7th, 2008 at Noon. A tentative schedule is included with this invitation.

WHERE

Ice: Victor J. Riley Arena
1400 Heart Mountain Street
Cody, WY 82414
307-587-1681

Classroom: The Cody Hotel
232 West Yellowstone Ave.
Cody, WY 82414
307-587-5915
www.thecody.com



USA Hockey, the national governing body for the sport of ice hockey, is a member of the International Ice Hockey Federation and the United States Olympic Committee



COST

\$50.00 per person registration fee payable to USA Hockey. Cost includes all ice time, daily facility usage, instruction, and seminar supplies/handouts. This does not include room and meal costs. The registration fee is nonrefundable, except in cases where an application cannot be accepted because the enrollment limit has been reached.

ROOM

A special room rate of \$99 per day, single or double occupancy has been arranged with the Cody Hotel. You may call the Cody Hotel, directly, at 307-587-5915 or by going to www.thecody.com by August 31st, 2008, to reserve a room for the seminar. When making your reservation, be sure to mention the USA Hockey District Officiating Seminar in order to get the reduced rate. Rooms that are not reserved by August 31, 2008 may be released for resale.

INSTRUCTORS

Instructors will be selected and assigned by the USA Hockey National Officiating Program. Primary instructors will be selected from the USA Hockey Training Staff, which includes top American officials who officiate at professional, college, and international levels. Additional staff may be selected from top instructors in the Northern Plains and adjoining districts.

HOW TO REGISTER

Complete the enclosed application and return it along with a check for \$50.00 payable to USA Hockey, to the address provided at the bottom of the form. Hurry!!! Enrollment is limited.

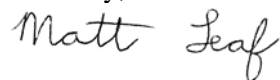
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information concerning the seminar, please contact Tom Fitzsimmons at 307-587-7232 (e-mail: tom@ironcreekenergygroup.com).

Remember, only three District Officiating Seminars are scheduled this year. It will likely be several years before the program returns to this area. I sincerely hope you will be able to take advantage of the opportunity to attend this unique program to both broaden your officiating experience and accelerate your individual development.

I look forward to seeing you in Cody, Wyoming - gateway to Yellowstone Park.

Sincerely,



MATT LEAF
DIRECTOR, OFFICIATING EDUCATION PROGRAM

Enclosures

TENTATIVE SEMINAR SCHEDULE

(Subject to Change)

Date	Time	Event	Place
Thu., Sept. 4	1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Registration	Cody Hotel
	2:00 – 5:30 p.m.	Classroom	Cody Hotel
	6:30 – 8:00 p.m.	Ice Session	Riley Arena
	8:00 - ??? p.m.	Dinner	On Your Own
Fri., Sept. 5	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	On Your Own
	8:00 – 9:45 a.m	Classroom	Cody Hotel
	10:30 - 12:00 noon	Ice Session	Riley Arena
	12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	On Your Own
	1:15 - 2:45 p.m.	Classroom	Cody Arena
	3:30 - 5:00 p.m.	Ice Session	Riley Arena
	5:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Classroom	Cody Hotel
	8:00 - ??? p.m.	Dinner	On Your Own
Sat., Sept. 6	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	On Your Own
	8:00 – 9:30 a.m.	Ice Time	Riley Arena
	10:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Classroom	Cody Hotel
	1:00 - ???? p.m.	Free Time / Golf	On Your Own
Sun., Sept. 7	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	On Your Own
	8:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Ice Time	Riley Arena
	10:00 - 12:00 noon	Classroom	Cody Hotel
	12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	On Your Own
	1:00 -2:30 p.m	Level 4 Testing	Cody Hotel
	3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Level 4 Skate	Riley Arena

Dates: September 4-7, 2008

Location: Cody, Wyoming

_____ Yes, I will be able to attend the seminar. Enclosed is my check, payable to USA Hockey, for \$50.00 to cover the cost of the seminar. I understand that this cost does not include transportation, housing, or meals. I also understand that this money is non-refundable (except in cases where space is not available).

_____ I will be staying at the Cody Hotel and will contact the hotel directly (307-587-5915), by August 31st, to arrange the necessary reservations.

_____ I will be commuting to all seminar events.

Please indicate whether you have attended a District Officiating Seminar in the past. USA Hockey reserves the right to give priority registration to first-time attendees.

SEMINAR DATE _____ LOCATION: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Age: _____ USA Hockey Level: _____ Member No. _____

Highest competitive levels that you currently work:

T-Shirt Size (M, L, XL)

Home Phone: () _____ Work Phone: () _____

Electronic Mail Address: _____

Please send this completed form, along with a check for \$50.00 (payable to USA Hockey) to:

DISTRICT OFFICIATING SEMINAR
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