

Sports and Competition

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Who to contact on the Sports Team?



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 - ❑ Winter Games, Western Bowling, Spring and Fall Sectionals; GMS, Advanced Coaching strategies; 2018 Team PA AHOD
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 - ❑ State Floor Hockey Tournament, Summer Games, Central Bowling, Spring and Fall Sectionals; SO College
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SOPA Website



A lot of valuable information www.specialolympicspa.org

****Use the search tool to help find what you are looking for****

- Monthly Update/Coaches Corner
- Event Calendar
- Sports Offered and sport specific information
- Training Schools and Continuing Ed

If you can't find something contact us and we will be sure to add it, if you are looking for it others probably are as well!

SOPA Housing Policy – T&F



Let's test your knowledge in a little game!

Competition Paperwork



- **Event Paperwork**
 - Who receives it, where can I access it, when is it due
- **Important Dates, Deadlines and Help Desk Hours**
 - Why are the deadlines when they are?
- **Proper completion**
 - Incentive of a 30% discount on registration fees
- **Online LOI – Google doc**
- **Event Invoicing**



Communication

- **Competition Calls**
 - August, October, February, June
- **Emails**
 - Sport and Competition Coordinator and Managers
- **Monthly Update**
 - Emailed and website
- **Facebook group for coaches**
 - NEW IDEA, your thoughts?



Know your team!!

- **Competition**
 - HOD/AHOD selection
 - Athlete selection
 - One day vs. overnight event
- **USA/World Games**
 - Coaches and athletes – you provide approval

Criteria for Advancement – SOI Rules, Article 1



Procedure for Athlete Team and Coach Selection

If the number of eligible athletes or teams does not exceed the quota, all athletes and teams shall advance.

If the number of eligible athletes or teams exceeds the quota, athletes or teams that advance shall be selected as follows:

- Priority is given to first place finishers from all divisions of the sport/event. If the number of first place finishers exceeds the quota, select athletes or teams to advance by random draw. If there are not enough first place finishers to fill the quota, all first place finishers shall advance.
- Repeat this process, adding each place of finish as necessary, until the quota is filled. These procedures apply to both individual and team sports, including Unified Sports