



## 3 Stripes Classic

June 17, 2008

adidas 3 STRIPES tournament participant:

This letter is to confirm your team(s) participation in the 2008 adidas 3 STRIPES Basketball Tournament scheduled for July 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> in Louisville, Kentucky at Mid-America Sports Complex.

This letter is also to inform you of the NCAA rules instituted for the summer of 2008. Please remember that all event operators and teams must abide by these rules in order for your team(s) to compete and for us to have the event certified. It is, therefore, imperative that you strictly comply with all of the following NCAA regulations in order for us to maintain the tournament in the future. **For your team to be eligible to participate in the 2008 adidas 3 STRIPES Basketball Tournament, you must comply with all of the NCAA regulations listed below.**

**In addition, teams must check-in at Tournament Headquarters prior to your first game. Team check-in will be held on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 starting at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 5:00 p.m. and on Thursday, July 10, 2008 starting at 8:00 a.m. at Mid-America Sports Complex. You must plan to check in your team prior to your first game. All coaches and team members must be present at check-in and all teams must attend the Educational Session before completing the check-in process. Educational Sessions will be held at Mid-America Sports Complex every thirty minutes.**

*Listed below are the NCAA rules that directly effect your participation in the 2008 adidas 3 STRIPES tournament. Please read the following information carefully.*

### **2008 SUMMER COACHES APPROVAL PROCESS**

All individuals who engage in coaching activities in an NCAA certified men's summer basketball event must be approved through the NCAA Coaches Approval process. The process consists of an application, a criminal background investigation, an authorization for release of information, and an NCAA rules educational component. The entire process must be completed online and can be accessed through the NCAA Website at [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org). Choose Legislation and Governance, drop down to Rules Compliance, and choose the Certified Basketball Events

and Summer Leagues, click on the Participating Team Coaches link where you will choose Coaches Approval Requirements and Procedures. Follow the steps completely including payment. The approval process takes three to seven days to complete. Please be sure to allow adequate time prior to the NCAA certified event in which you are planning to participate. When you have completed the process, you will receive an immediate pass or fail notification of the test, as well as a six digit tracking number to use in checking your status for approval. The final approval number will be fourteen digits and sent to you via email. ***Under no circumstances will non-approved coaches or team associates be allowed to coach or sit on the bench. There are NO exceptions to this rule.***

Event operators are required to verify, prior to participation in an event, that each coach, including assistants, have been approved through the NCAA program. Coaches **MUST** be prepared to present the NCAA approval number and **photo identification** to the event operator prior to the start of the event.

If you have questions regarding your approval number, please contact the LexisNexis NCAA Support Team at 800-631-8777 or e-mail [NCAASupport@Screening.LexisNexis.com](mailto:NCAASupport@Screening.LexisNexis.com).

### **2008 Summer Team Registration**

All teams participating in an NCAA certified summer event must register online PRIOR to reporting to participate in the event. Coaches are expected to keep their online rosters updated. The same address and telephone number cannot be used for multiple athletes. Failure to register or to submit all required information will result in the team being denied participation in all NCAA certified summer events. In order to access the online team registration and roster form, go to [www.ncaa.org](http://www.ncaa.org) (choose Legislation and Governance, drop down to Compliance and choose Certified Basketball Events and Summer Leagues, scroll down to Summer Tea Registration and click on Basketball Certification System and link to “New Team Coach” and follow the process to register your team and roster).

### **COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATIONAL SESSION**

All coaches and team members will be required to attend a comprehensive educational session upon check-in. The session will review NCAA initial eligibility standards, gambling, agents, and drug use. All coaches and players must be in attendance. Upon completion, your team will receive their tournament shirts.

### **PROHIBITIVE CONTACT**

No team coach, player, player’s parents, relatives, legal guardians, and/or any other individual associated with the player as a result of his participation in basketball will be permitted to have any contact with NCAA coaches during the tournament. This includes, but is not limited to gyms, hotels, and game sites.

### **ADJOINING STATE RULE**

In the sport of men’s basketball, all team members participating in an NCAA-Certified summer team event must reside in the same state as the team’s official address, or an adjoining state, provided that no more than three team member(s) reside in adjoining states. The athlete’s legal residence or the legal residence of his parent or legal guardian determines residency.

Additionally, the NCAA tracks high school athletes and monitors and records the state in which the athlete plays in.

A player who has attended a preparatory school for a minimum of one academic year may use the player's legal residence or the address of the preparatory school.

An international player may use the legal address of the prospect's host family provided the prospect is part of an educational exchange program and has residency with family for a minimum of one academic year.

The adidas THREE STRIPES tournament staff will strictly adhere to all NCAA rules and regulations. Please remember that all event operators and teams must abide by these rules or the NCAA will not certify this event in the future.

The adidas THREE STRIPES staff is committed to ensuring that this elite event is the "tournament of choice" for grass-roots hoops during this open recruitment period. If you have any questions, please contact **(502) 235-7827** [krisdvance@yahoo.com](mailto:krisdvance@yahoo.com).

Sincerely,

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Director