



**Special Olympics**  
**Massachusetts**

TO: August Tournament Athletes, Coaches, Families, and Local Programs  
FROM: Terry Keilty  
CC: Bob Johnson  
RE: August Tournament Changes  
DATE: February 1, 2011

We are pleased to announce the following changes for the 2011 August Tournament in an attempt to improve the athletes' overall experience and restore services lost in 2009:

- **2011 August Tournament will again be a two day tournament**
- **Overnight accommodations WILL be provided on Saturday evening at UMass Amherst; however, local programs will NOT be authorized to use local program funds to pay for alternate accommodations on Saturday evening.**
- **No overnight accommodations will be offered or authorized using SOMA or local program funds on Friday evening, August 12<sup>th</sup>.**
- **The following meals will be provided to all registered athletes, coaches and partners:**
  - **Saturday evening meal**
  - **Sunday morning breakfast**
  - **Sunday lunch**
- **Lunch will NOT be provided on Saturday. Programs are asked to bring their own lunches or arrange to purchase lunches at or near the venues. Local program funds may be used to purchase lunches at a limit of \$5/participant.**

It is always our goal to provide the most positive experience for all of our athletes at every event. SOMA, however, is subject to the forces of the economy as much as any other business or organization. We hope, as you do, that our economy will continue to be favorable and that SOMA will continue to be able to restore services lost in 2009.