



Special Olympics Team USA
2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games
Athens, Greece June 25 – July 4, 2011

Athlete Application of Intent to Participate

Special Olympics Massachusetts has received slots in the following Sports for the 2011 World Games:

Athletics Bocce Equestrian

Please take your time to complete the application below.

Coach Name _____	Address _____
City _____ State _____	Zip _____ phone _____
Email _____	
What is your relationship to this athlete? _____	
In years, how long have you known this athlete? _____	

Athlete's Name _____ **Sport (circle one):** **Athl** **Bocce** **Equestrian**

This athlete is eligible for selection to be a member of Special Olympics Team USA for the 2011 World Summer Games in Athens, Greece. In addition to meeting basic eligibility requirements, athletes selected to Team USA must also meet specific selection criterion, which includes the following items related to training, travel and daily living skills.

Eligibility

- Train and compete in their respective sport in the year preceding (2011) the World Games;
- Have won a gold medal in the sport indicated at the 2009 State level of competition;
- Be in good standing with Special Olympics Massachusetts;
- Interview with Special Olympics Massachusetts;
- Have a local coach identified to work in coordination with a Team USA sport specific coach for training;
- Have actively participated in Special Olympics for at least five (5) years
- Raise at least 50% of the costs that Special Olympics Massachusetts incurs
- **We reserve the right to give priority to an athlete that has not had the opportunity to attend a past world games**

Travel

- Attend the National Training Camp, tentatively scheduled in San Diego for March 28- April 1, 2011;
- Be able to handle a 12-15 hour travel day (primarily air travel) independently or with minimal supervision;
- Be assigned to a Team USA Coach, potentially from outside your state, for the duration of travel to, during, and from the Games, including housing sites, competition venues and during the Delegation training camps prior to the Games;
- Be able to be away from their families, schools, and jobs for approximately a two (2) week period in June/ July 2011 to attend the Games (exact travel dates will be available at a later date);

Daily Living Skills

- Demonstrate good sportsmanship and the ability to function well as a part of a team;
- Function positively during the course of World Games with minimal contact with family members;
- Independently or with minimal support, manage the activities and skills of family living, i.e. toileting, showering, hygiene, etc.

Do you believe this athlete meets the selection criteria above? Yes No

Please explain your answer (*attach additional sheets if desired*):

Please return to: Special Olympics Massachusetts, Attn: Barbara Johnson,
The Yawkey Sports Training Center, 512 Forest St, Marlborough, MA 01752
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By Friday July 30, 2010