

# **Club Sectional or Regional Championships Bid Form**

Thank you for your interest in hosting a USA Ultimate Postseason Championships tournament! The USA Ultimate Championship Series relies on local volunteers to help promote and facilitate tournaments across the country. Your Championships tournament will be a step toward qualifying for the USA Ultimate Club Championships.

For the 2025 season, USAU is allowing the postseason to be scheduled as follows:

Sectionals – September 6-7 (Rain Date: September 13-14)
Regionals – September 20-21 (Rain Date: September 27-28)

### The application and bid process timeline for hosting Regionals is as follows:

- <u>Complete the linked form</u> and email your Regional Coordinator (<u>email addresses can be found here</u>) by <u>March 31</u> with a CC to the Manager of Competition and Athlete Programs (<u>marc@hq.usaultimate.org</u>).
- The Regional Coordinator will review all bids and make a recommendation to the National Director by April 15.
- The Regional Coordinator will announce a final selection by May 1st.
- Bids for any series event may be awarded on a rolling basis, so please either submit your bid, or express your interest in submitting a bid to your Regional Coordinator as soon as possible.

#### The application and bid process timeline for hosting Sectionals is as follows:

- <u>Complete the linked form and</u> email your Sectional Coordinator (<u>email addresses can be found here</u>) by <u>May 31</u> with a CC to the Manager of Competition and Athlete Programs (<u>marc@hq.usaultimate.org</u>).
- The Sectional Coordinator will review all bids and make a recommendation to the Regional Coordinator by June 15.
- The Sectional Coordinator will announce a final selection by July 1st.
- Bids for any series event may be awarded on a rolling basis, so please either submit your bid, or express your interest in submitting a bid to your Regional Coordinator as soon as possible.

Before you begin filling out this form, please review our new **Event Requirements**.



### I. General Information

Region/Section	Division (Men, Mixed, Women)	Date	Location (city, state)

I have fully read and understand the Event Quality guidelines, and agree that by submitting a bid form, I am agreeing to meet the guidelines outlined for my event type. **Initial here** Have you coordinated dates / locations with the other divisions in your area? Please note that preference will be given to applications that demonstrate a high-level of coordination with other gender and competition divisions within the same region. Yes No **II. Statement of Purpose** What group or groups want to bring a Sectional Championships tournament to your area? Please specify if one or more of the groups is a USA Ultimate affiliate or State-Based-Organization. Current Affiliates -- https://www.usaultimate.org/currentaffiliates/ What are the group's goals regarding the event? What about your site or Ultimate community will contribute to a successful event? Have prior USAU events or other large Ultimate tournaments been held in your area? What other comparable sporting events have been held at your site?



#### **III. Tournament Location and Dates**

What is the name of the field site?

What is the address of the field site?

What type of facility is this (soccer fields, intramural fields, polo fields, etc.)?

Will all of the fields be at one site (preferred)? If the fields will be at multiple sites, how far away are those sites from one another?

What is your backup plan in case you can't use the original fields and date because of weather issues (backup fields, all-weather fields, reschedule, etc.)?

### **IV. Local Organizing Committee (LOC)**

Who will serve as tournament director? Please note that this person must not be participating as a player, coach, observer, etc. The tournament director must be USA Ultimate TDCP Level I certified or will become so within 30 days from the awarding of the tournament.

Indicate the number of total staff (not participating at the event) who will be available for tournament duties including score reporting, field lining, field setup/breakdown, and keeping water and food stations stocked.

Please list two primary contacts (primary and secondary) with physical address, phone number, and email address.

**Primary Contact** 

Name

Address

Phone

**Email Address** 

Secondary Contact

Name

Address

Phone

**Email Address** 



# V. Playing Facilities

Please review the <u>Provisions and Amenities section</u> of the Event Quality guidelines before completing this

section. How many fields are available at the site that meet the field size and spacing requirements outlined in the Event Quality guidelines? Lined fields are recommended for all fields and are required for semis and finals. What are your plans for field lining? (e.g. – Field provider will line fields or you will hire someone to line fields) Are there any lit fields? Yes No Is parking close by? Yes No Is there a water source at the fields? Are you able to meet the water requirements? Yes No Are there restrooms at the fields or are you able to order portable restrooms? Are you able to meet the restroom requirements? Yes No **VI. Support Facilities** Please review the Provisions and Amenities section of the Event Quality guidelines before completing this section. **Tournament Headquarters** Where will the main tent or similar support facility be located in relation to the fields? There needs to be a place for scores to be posted at tournament headquarters. Are you able to accommodate this? Yes No



<ul> <li>Concessions/Exhibitors         Does the field provider allow you to monetize concessions?         Yes     </li> </ul>
No, the field provider have a contract for exclusive concession rights
No, concessions are not allowed
Are non-food exhibitors allowed to advertise and/or sell merchandise on site?  Yes No
Are permits required for food or non-food vendors?  Yes No
Social/Alcohol
Some tournaments include a social event as part of the weekend's activities. At USA Ultimate Club Series
$events, alcohol is \ \underline{not} \ to \ be \ provided \ as \ part \ of \ the \ event \ through \ the \ use \ of \ event \ fees, \ sponsorships, \ or \ other$
sources of revenue. In addition, the USA Ultimate alcohol policies listed below must be followed.
<ul> <li>USA Ultimate does not condone the unlawful or unauthorized use, possession, distribution, consumption, promotion, marketing, or sale of alcoholic beverages at USA Ultimate official, sponsored sanctioned or affiliated events.</li> <li>I agree that, as a USA Ultimate member, player, organizer or representative of the organization, I will not compete at USA Ultimate official, sponsored, sanctioned or affiliated events, or carry out responsibilities related to official organization and event business, while under the influence of alcohol or illegal/banned drugs. Additionally, I will not engage in the unlawful or unauthorized use, possession distribution or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal/banned drugs at said events or while representing USA Ultimate in an official capacity.</li> <li>Alcohol shall not be marketed, provided, served or sold at USA Ultimate official, sponsored, sanctioned or affiliated youth events (events where all of the participants are under 21).</li> <li>NOTE: USA Ultimate liability insurance for your event does not include alcohol liability.</li> </ul>
Do you plan on hosting a social function as part of the event (e.g. using entry fees, advertised to participants a part of event, etc.)?  Yes No
Do you plan on having alcohol available in any way at or in conjunction with the event?  Yes No
If the answer to either of the above questions is "yes", what measures would be taken to ensure the safety of

participants and compliance with all applicable laws, site rules, and USAU policies?



#### VII. Travel Information

Please review the <u>Provisions and Amenities section</u> of the Event Quality guidelines before completing this section.

#### **Accommodations**

What accommodations are available on or near the site? Please include price range and availability for hotels including rates for complimentary rooms (for staff) and meeting space.

### VIII. Insurance

Please review the **Benefits section** of the Event Quality guidelines before completing this section.

USA Ultimate maintains a \$2 million liability policy that covers USA Ultimate Championship Series events. The insurance will cover the tournament director, volunteer staff, the field provider, and other groups as requested.

NOTE: USA Ultimate liability insurance for your event does not include alcohol liability.

Is this insurance adequate for the field provider and all other organizations who will be involved in the even $\square$ Yes $\square$ No					
IX. Medical / Health Please review the Health, Safety, and Liability Requirements.					
Are you able to comply with these requirements?  Yes No					
<ul> <li>X. Media / Sponsorships</li> <li>An event guide and travel information need to be made available electronically, online (website) or via email.</li> <li>One printed copy of the event guide must also be provided to each team at the event. Are you able to meet this requirement?</li> <li>Yes No</li> </ul>					
Does the LOC have a volunteer who can post scores on the USA Ultimate website throughout the event? Scores must be posted by midnight on each day of play.  Yes No					
Does the LOC have a media volunteer who can find writers/photographers to cover the action?  Yes No					
Speak to your ability to secure sponsorships (local or otherwise) for the tournament. Please indicate your					

understanding that sponsorships may not conflict with USA Ultimate sponsors/commitments.



# V. Budget Income Bid Fee (per team) Sponsorships Other

### **Expenses**

Facility Rental
Rental Equipment (field carts, tables/chairs, tents, portapotties, dumpsters, coolers)
Labor (medical, security, field lining, entertainment, website, transportation)
Food and beverages (participant, staff)
Supplies (ice, medical, trash, field setup, shipping and postage)
Travel / lodging for event staff, including coordinators and observers
Game discs (one per team required)
Other

**Regional Team Fee**: I understand that each **Club Regionals team** owes a fee that is to be built into their Regionals fee and is payable by the Regionals tournament to USA Ultimate. The fee s \$40 for Men's and Mixed Division teams and \$20 for Women's Division teams. I understand this and will build this fee into the budget and will remit payment upon being invoiced.

#### **Initial here**

Invoice by check (C) or PayPal (P) If PayPal, e-mail address for PayPal



# **Tournament Director Agreement**

Thank you for volunteering to be the Tournament Director for a USA Ultimate event. This form serves as an agreement between USA Ultimate and the Tournament Director for the event listed below. Please return the completed form by mail or e-mail to the USA Ultimate Manager of Competition and Athlete Programs (Club), Marc Zigterman.

The Tournament Director works with the USA Ultimate coordinator(s) (state youth coordinators, college conference coordinators, club sectional coordinators, and regional coordinators/directors) to optimize the tournament event experience for the athletes, coaches, and fans. USA Ultimate coordinators(s) will focus on teams, formats, & scheduling. The Tournament Director will work more on the logistics of the event (fields, equipment, supplies, water, food, medical, etc.).

Event information and Contacts (all fields required)
Tournament Name: Website (if applicable):Event Date(s): to
Site Name: City: State: Zip Code:
Local/Promoting Organization/Club Name (if applicable): Website (if applicable):
Name of Primary Tournament Director: Email:
Street Address:
City: State: Zip Code:
Phone Number:
USAU ID #: (If Applicable)
☐ I confirm that I am 18 or older
If Tournament Director is officially representing an organization:
I, (Name), the Tournament Director, submit this application and contract on behalf of (Organization), and I have
authority to submit this application and contract and to bind the organization as set forth herein. Date:
Name of Secondary Tournament Director: Email: Phone Number:
☐ I confirm that this person is 18 or older

### Indemnification

As the duly authorized Tournament Director, in consideration of me being allowed to be sanctioned / insured in any way by USA Ultimate, I agree to abide by and enforce all rules and regulations and decisions of USA Ultimate. I understand that I have primary responsibility to promote safe participation and to direct a safe event. I further understand and agree that the rules, regulations and decisions set forth by USA Ultimate are to be considered minimum standards and conditions, and that special or unusual circumstances may require additional precautions and actions in the interest of safety.

USA Ultimate does not directly supervise the event or Tournament Director, therefore compliance with USA Ultimate regulations, rules, or policies is not guaranteed by USA Ultimate. As such, USA Ultimate is not liable for any injuries or damage caused in whole or in part, directly or indirectly by the actions, errors or omissions of anyone affiliated with or related to the event, including but not limited to the Tournament Director. Additionally, I understand and agree to avoid the destruction/misuse of fields or other facilities or equipment.

It is hereby agreed that the undersigned, as Tournament Director and agent for all promoters, sponsors, managers and any and all entities involved with the production of this event, jointly and severally agrees to defend, to hold harmless and to indemnify USA Ultimate and its officers, directors and agents, from any claims, demands or courses of action arising out of the promotion, organization and conduct of this USA Ultimate event.

As Tournament Director, I will be expected to support, uphold and act in accordance with all USA Ultimate policies and procedures. I realize that any failure on my part to meet all requirements outlined in this contract/application may result in penalty fees, my suspension or the suspension of others acting under my direction, and/or prohibition of an activity or event from being sanctioned or insured by USA Ultimate in the future. Insurance coverage may be denied to any Tournament



Director or to any event for any reason. Additionally, I hereby state that I am now TDCP Level I Certified or will become so within 30 days and before the date of the event.

Name/Signature of Primary Tournament Director : Date:					
Event Requirements  Review the Guidelines for Hosting a USA Ultimate Event and check the box to confirm your understanding and agreement to abide by each. Each of these components provides a framework for ensuring that USAU events are safe, organized and of the highest quality. Note differing requirements based on competition level (youth/college/club).					
Health and Safety	I have read, understo Requirements.	ood and agree to abide by the USAU Health & Safety			
Competition		tood and agree to abide by the USAU Competition establish fairness and consistency across events			
Registration		tood and agree to abide by the USAU Registration at participants can also benefit from the insurance			
Provisions and Ame	nities I have read, understo Provisions and Amer	od and agree to abide by the USAU Requirements for ities.			
1. Complete USA Ultimate	for all event types (States, Sectiona rosters for all participating teams. n a USA Ultimate Waiver and Relea	ls/Conferences, Regionals): se of Liability form (or have one on file for the current year).			
after the conclusion of the	·	t be sent to USA Ultimate within 5 business days (postmarked) ty of the Tournament Director until they arrive at USA Ultimate.			
participants and will have Sharing contact information	the ability to e-mail participants in to a third party or using the e-mail	Director will have access to contact information for event n relation to their event via the electronic rostering system. feature to contact participants not in relation to the sanctioned case against the Tournament Director.			
or the appropriate USA Ult	<del>-</del>	at a participant or spectator is injured, the Tournament Director ne Claim Form (copies should be kept on site) and return it to juries.			
Signature of Primary Tour	rnament Director :	Date:			



# **Event Information**

<ol> <li>Are players under 18 years old allowed to participate at this event? ☐ No</li> <li>☐ Yes, players under 18 years old are allowed to participate and I understand and agree to abide by the <u>Youth Participa</u></li> <li>Requirements.</li> </ol>	<u>ation</u>
2. Will observers be used to officiate games at this event? ☐ No ☐Yes, and I agree that only USA Ultimate Certified Observers will officiate games at this event	
Event Insurance Request Page The USA Ultimate liability policy provides coverage for the USA Ultimate committee members/volunteers, registered coac and officials, registered athletes, USA Ultimate teams and USA Ultimate leagues (all while acting in their capacity as sucl USA Ultimate business) and anyone else identified as Certificate Holders on this page. Any other entities apart from the named requesting to be covered by this policy must be listed as an Additional Insured. Certificates of insurance will issued to all entities identified on this Insurance Request Page. The Tournament Director will receive an electronic copy of the certificates for the event and is responsible for forwarding to the appropriate parties.	h on nose II be
If you require insurance certificates, please provide all of the following information. See tips on completing this form requesting additional certificates. There is a \$25 charge to reissue certificates due to incorrect data.	n or
Tournament Name: Event Date(s): to	
1) Organization/Entity: Contact/Person: Relation to event:  Address: City: State: Zip Code:  Phone Number:  Specific Wording if Required:	
2) Organization/Entity: Contact/Person: Relation to event:  Address: City: State: Zip Code:  Phone Number:  Specific Wording if Required:	
3) Organization/Entity: Contact/Person: Relation to event:  Address: City: State: Zip Code:  Phone Number:  Specific Wording if Required:	
4) Organization/Entity: Contact/Person: Relation to event:  Address: City: State: Zip Code:  Phone Number:  Specific Wording if Required:	
Signature of Primary Tournament Director : Date:	