

USADSF AdHoc Committee on Bowling

**Bowling Coach Criteria  
2009 Summer Deaflympics**

**Length of Term**

Two bowling coaches shall be selected for the 2008-2009 term: a head coach and an assistant coach. Coaches will be expected to participate in a 1 - 1-1/2 week training camp prior to the 2009 Summer Deaflympics.

**Application Deadline**

By April 1, 2008 all applicants shall submit a resume, letter of interest and three references to the Chair of the USADSF Ad-Hoc Committee on Bowling at the following address:

Ed Abakumoff, Chair  
19494 Mt. Wasatch Dr.  
Riverside, CA 92508  
E-mail: Abakumoff@aol.com

Announcement of selected coaches shall be made by May 1, 2008.

**Eligibility Requirements**

All applicants must:

- Be a US Citizen
- Be a member of USBC and USADSF in good standing
- Have a valid driver's license
- Be 25 years of age or older
- Have a current USA passport (expiration date after March 1, 2009)
- Have a valid basic first aid, CPR and coach safety training card by January 1, 2009
- Be aware of and adhere to the USADSF and USOC Code of Ethics
- Have knowledge of USADSF Due Process procedures

**Qualifications**

All applicants will be judged on the following criteria:

1. Have Level I or higher USA Junior Olympic Bowling Coach Certificate
2. Knowledge of the bowling game and its rules
  - a. USBC rules
  - b. F.I.Q. rules
  - c. Deaflympics Bowling rules and regulations  
(<http://www.deaflympics.com/sports/regulations.asp?SC=Bowling>)
3. Knowledge of bowling balls and proper equipment
  - a. Ball weights and compositions
  - b. Ball fitness
  - c. Bowling shoes and wrist aids
4. Knowledge of proper lane readings and adjustments

- a. Lane oil dressings
- b. Correct stance and spot adjustments
5. Have good moral character and attitude
  - a. Show friendly demeanor
  - b. Treat each bowler with fairness
6. Maintain expressive and receptive skills in American Sign Language (ASL) throughout his/her term as coach
7. Criminal background check

### **General Responsibilities**

The selected coaches shall be responsible for recruiting, training, and preparing the 2009 USA Bowling Team. Coaches shall work closely with Chair of the USADSF Ad-Hoc on Bowling and US Team Director on the following expectations listed below:

1. Attend the 2009 US Team bowling tryouts in the city of Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 13 – 15, 2008 and assist with the selection of bowlers for the US Team
2. Develop bowlers' skills to the fullest extent possible;
3. Monitor the bowlers' conditioning;
4. Coach the bowling teams during actual competition
5. Ensure that bowlers do not participate in regional/national bowling tournaments not sanctioned by ICSD

### **Selection Process - Selection Committee**

The selection committee shall consist of the following individuals:

- Chair, USADSF Ad-Hoc Committee on Bowling
- Regional/National bowling official
- Regional/National bowling official
- Former Deaflympic bowler

NOTE: at least two committee members shall be women.

The selection committee will review the resumes. Four individuals will be chosen and interviewed (two for the head coach position and two for the assistant coach position). The interviews may be conducted in person, by TTY, via webcam / videophone or by e-mail. The selection committee will make a final decision based on the interviews and qualifications. The candidates that receive the majority of votes shall become the National Team Head and Assistant Coaches.

### **Approval by USADSF Board**

The selection committee shall recommend to the USADSF Executive Board the two individuals chosen to be the Head and Assistant coaches for the USA Bowling Team to the 2009 Summer Deaflympics.

### **Due Process**

All coaching applicants have the right to obtain due process in accordance to the USADSF by-laws if they feel the selection criteria were not followed properly.