



CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION REGIONAL/STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS MEDIA CREDENTIAL POLICY

- Your coverage is important to us and we thank you for your interest and commitment to high school athletics. We are happy to provide responsible media representatives with a working press credential.
- Credentials are non-transferable and may only be used by the person and on behalf of the media outlet for whom/which they were issued. Failure to comply may result in forfeiture of current credential and denial of future credential requests.
- CIF's policy is to accommodate your needs without infringing on the essential aspects of competition at CIF championship events. We require that you comply with the policies for the site at which you are working.
- Only those media members who have secured proper approval in writing prior to the event will receive credentials. **Late requests or arrivals without prior approval will not be admitted.**
 - ❑ Submission of a completed media credential request form does not ensure approval for media credentials. All requests will be reviewed and must be approved by Quwan Spears, CIF State Sports Information Officer. You will receive written confirmation via email alerting you whether or not your request has been approved.
- Media members must fill out credential request forms for the specific state championship event in which you are covering. **No credential request will be considered without the sports editor/director's signature** on the form. You may mail or fax the completed forms to the State CIF office.
- Approved media members will have a credential waiting for them at the event. **Identification from your media organization and a valid photo ID will be required for admittance.**
- *Unauthorized selling of photographs taken at CIF State Regional and State Championship events is strictly prohibited. In accordance with CIF contractual agreements, at no time may photographs be sold to the general public, participating schools or families of student-athletes.*
- For basketball, CIF section passes will be accepted for all rounds PRIOR to the regional finals. These passes are secured through your local CIF Section. State CIF-issued credentials are required for regional finals and state championship games.
- For volleyball, CIF section passes will be accepted for all rounds PRIOR to the state championship. These passes are secured through your local CIF Section. State CIF-issued credentials are required for the state championship matches.

MEDIA ADVISORY

Should any working press become verbally or physically confrontational or abusive for any reason, or refuse to cooperate or comply with the policy as stated by the CIF, the CIF has the right to confiscate the credential and have the offending media person removed from the premises.



**2009 CIF STATE
CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS
Media Credential Request Form
Saturday, November 28, 2009
Woodward Park, Fresno**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

Name of Media Outlet (include city) _____

Type of Media Outlet (circle one) Daily News Weekly News TV Radio Internet Other _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____ Fax Number _____

Email Address _____ Web Page Address _____

Sports Editor/Director _____ Sports Editor/Director Signature _____

Clearly list names, and circle either media or photo, to indicate function of representative for whom credentials are being requested.
ONLY ONE CREDENTIAL WILL BE ISSUED PER PERSON. Approval/denial of requests will be sent to the email listed above.

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NOTE: Media will be provided a covered, outdoor working press area near the finish line, as well as electrical outlets. Be advised that there are **NO** phone lines available so please make alternate plans for filing stories. Only credentialed photographers will be allowed in the finish line chute area for the sole purpose of taking photographs. Under no condition may interviews take place in the chute. The first race will start at 8:30 a.m. with the final race scheduled to begin at 1:25 p.m. Specifics on the event, as well as race and awards schedule, are available in the championship handbook at www.cifstate.org.

REMINDER

In order to be considered for credentials, sports editor/director signature is required on this form. Only media members who have secured credentials in writing prior to the event will be included on the media list. Late requests or arrivals without prior approval will not be granted credentials. Identification from your media affiliation and a valid photo ID will be required for admittance.

**CREDENTIAL REQUEST DEADLINE
Tuesday, November 24, 2009 at 12 p.m.**

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