

APPENDIX A

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

1. **AAU.** AAU means the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, Inc., the entire national organization. The AAU is a national organization composed of affiliated Districts, authorized to work with sport-oriented groups, in the administration and development of sports at all appropriate levels.
2. **AAU Code.** The AAU Code is the collective reference to the Constitution, Bylaws, National Policies, National Sport Committee rules, and District Sport Committee rules and regulations.
3. **Amateur.** Amateur is one who engages in athletic competition or exhibition solely for the pleasure and physical, mental or social benefits derived therefrom and to whom the sport is an avocation.
4. **Approved Sport.** A sport which meets the requirements as established by policy.
5. **Athlete.** A person who participates in an AAU sports activity as defined by the AAU Sport Committee in regards to eligibility, rules, age, gender, etc.
6. **Attached.** An individual registered athlete becomes attached to an AAU club or team when the athlete participates as a club representative in a competition licensed by a District which includes two or more teams.
7. **Board of Directors.** The body which manages the business of the AAU between meetings of Congress.
8. **Board of Managers.** The governing body of a District.
9. **Charter.** An authorization of Congress to serve as the administrator of AAU programs in a District,
10. **Coach.** A person, who in behalf of a third party, instructs and/or leads one or more athletes. Coaches are chosen by said third party (parties) and not hired, selected, or appointed by the AAU. Coaches are not agents, employees, nor authorized spokespersons of the AAU.
11. **Congress.** The legislative body of the National AAU.
12. **District.** A group of clubs, organizations and individuals in a certain geographic area which has been chartered by Congress as a member of the AAU to provide administrative services for amateur sports and to foster AAU sport programs.
13. **District Executive Committee.** The body which manages the business of the District between meetings of the Board of Managers.

- 14. Judicial Bodies.** A collective reference to the Board of Review, Board of Appeals, District Review Committee, and Infractions Committees.
- 15. Licensed Event.** The written approval of the AAU to authorize registered athletes to participate in a specific competition or activity.
- 16. Membership.** An agreement to participate under the rules, regulations, Code, policies and procedures of the AAU. Membership entitles participation; it does not create agency, or authorize member(s) to be spokesperson(s) on behalf of the AAU.
- 17. Non-athlete.** A person who participates in the AAU in an administrative role such as an Administrator, Bench Personnel, Coach, Instructor, Manager, Official, Team Leader, Tournament Director, Volunteer or other who supports the sport's activity but does not compete as an athlete.
- 18. Operating Rules.** Policies and procedures regulating the committee structure and conduct of events within the jurisdiction of the entity.
- 19. Registrar.** A District officer responsible for the oversight of the District memberships and event licensing.
- 20. Registration.** The process of becoming a member of the AAU. An individual is registered when he has completed the appropriate application, has passed the required background check where applicable or has successfully completed the exception process through the Board of Review, and has paid the required fee online or to the District Registrar or other authorized person.
- 21. Reinstatement.** The return of all, or limited, rights of membership.
- 22. Transfer.** A change in an athlete's attachment, or club affiliation, from one club to another.
- 23. Unattached.** An AAU athlete who represents no club member.
- 24. Union.** The Amateur Athletic Union of the United States Inc.
- 25. Youth Athlete.** Members of the AAU under the age of 21 as determined by the National Sport Committee.
- 26. Zone.** A geographical section of the AAU that includes all Districts within that area.