



Dear Athletics Coaches, HOD's & Area Coordinators,

Summer Games is right around the corner and I wanted to send you some very important information prior to your arrival at the event. Please make sure you take the time to read all the material in this email. This year we are continuing with the conference call for the coaches meeting.

HOD's please make sure to pass this memo onto your athletics coaches just in case we have an incorrect email address for them or they possibly did not submit an email address.

The purpose of the conference call is listed as follows:

- Discuss any important details the competition staff feels is important for you to know, prior to arrival. (Bib Numbers, Getting Scratches turned in as quickly as possible.)
- Wheelchair Athletes & 25M Assisted Walk: Staging location will be at the gate entrance to the track near the finish line.
- DQ protocol
- Coaches, please make us aware of Back to Back events when you drop off your athlete at staging.
- Disqualification Events:
 - C3 Softball Throw = Over 24M
- Answer any questions you might have at the end of the conference call.
- Ensure the competition begins on time.

Mandatory Track & Field Coaches Meeting

When: Friday, June 9, 2023 @ 1:00PM

Location: Track & Field Staging Room

All coaches required

Located on the SOVA website:

Once completed, final divisions for both Friday and Saturday, as well as the Shot Put and Pentathlon final divisions on our website so that you may look at it prior to arriving. All coaches had a chance to review the list of athletes and submit corrections. The only changes to be made moving forward will be scratches. The final divisions will be available at the link below no later than **Tuesday, May 30, 2023**.

<https://www.specialolympicsva.org/2023-summer-games?locale=en>

Zoom Meeting Information:

When: Thursday, June 1, 2023 @ 7:00 PM Eastern Time

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/tZMldO6ggDgiGN2V_4FZI4oWFjVRpO8_r94G

THE LINK WILL NOT GET YOU INTO THE MEETING. YOU MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Please keep the following in mind when you call in to the meeting:

- Once the call begins, all participants will automatically be muted by the system.

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- If you have questions prior to the call, please email them to Bryan Schubring at stateregistration@specialolympicsva.org by May 31st and we'll address them during the call.
- If you have questions during the call, please hold them until the end of the call. We have planned some time for a short Q&A session.

Thanks again for your commitment to your athletes and Special Olympics. We're looking forward to a great competition this year.