



## U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM TRIALS - MEN'S MARATHON

USA Track & Field, the Alabama Sports Foundation and Birmingham Marathon, Inc. welcome the media to the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials - Men's Marathon. It is our goal to make your job in covering the events as easy and pleasant as possible. To obtain credentials, please note the following information:

Media credentials are issued to working media only. All credentials are non-transferable, and any unauthorized use will subject the bearer to removal from the premises and confiscation of the credential. A request for credentials does not guarantee they will be issued. There will be three credentialed press areas: general access, press truck and photo bridge. Please note that space on the Photo Bridge and the Press Truck are limited. The Media Center for credentialed media will be on the ground level of the Tutwiler Hotel. A general press pass will allow access to the Media Center. The Media Center will be the location for pre- and post-race news conferences.

Please have your supervising editor or director issue a letter of assignment produced on original company stationery no later than January 20, 2004. In addition, please complete the form below and attach the letter of assignment. Send completed credential requests to Alabama Sports Foundation, 100 Grandview Place, Ste. 110, Birmingham, Alabama 35243, ATTN: Sara Hood (shood@brunoeventteam.com).

A confirmation letter will be emailed or faxed to the editor prior to the event for requests received before the deadline. No changes or confirmed requests will be accepted after the Monday before the event. This confirmation letter will act as an access pass into the media center in order to obtain your credentials.

D) Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your primary job function:

Print Journalist: \_\_\_\_\_ Broadcast Journalist: \_\_\_\_\_ Online Journalist: \_\_\_\_\_

Photographer: \_\_\_\_\_

Other (define): \_\_\_\_\_

II) Please indicate which areas you will need access to: (NOTE: Not all requests can be accommodated due to space in certain areas)

A) General Media access- This pass will allow access to the media center, news conferences, along course sideline, start and finish line media designated areas only. This pass will also allow access onto media shuttles.

B) Press Truck access- This pass will allow you to ride on the press truck, which will go directly in front of the Trials runners throughout the entire race. SPACE IS LIMITED. YOU MUST SIGN UP IN ADVANCE.

C) Photo Bridge access- This pass will allow access to the finish line photo bridge. The photo bridge is intended for professional photographers only and space is limited.

General access (media center, press conference areas, etc)\_\_\_\_\_ Press Truck:\_\_\_\_\_

Photo Bridge:\_\_\_\_\_

III) A small number of phone lines will be available for general use by the media. Reporters and photographers requesting a designated phone line will need to order one through Sara Hood at [shood@brunoeventteam.com](mailto:shood@brunoeventteam.com) at a charge of \$70 per line. All designated phone lines will be ordered once payment has been received.

IV) Provide the name and address of the media company(s) for which you work/collaborate:

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

Website:\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone:\_\_\_\_\_ Fax:\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Editor/Director:\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

Important: Credentials will not be issued without the formal approval of your Editor/Director.

V) For hotel information please contact Jeanne Welsh at [jbwelsh@bellsouth.net](mailto:jbwelsh@bellsouth.net) or call (205) 807-3968. You will receive a confirmation number in which you must then contact the designated hotel and secure your stay with a credit card.