

**Access to the BI-LO Center for the 2010 Steadman Hawkins Clinic of the Carolinas
USA National Karate Championships**

If you are coming to the 2010 Steadman Hawkins Clinic of the Carolinas USA National Karate Championships in Greenville, South Carolina, you will notice a slight change from past years. Everyone including Spectators, Athletes, Volunteers, VIPS, Coaches and Officials, will need an admission ticket or credentials to get into the BI-LO Center. These security measures are outside the control of USA Karate and all participants will need to plan and be prepared to have proper USA Karate credentials prior to entering the BI-LO Center. Registration and credential pick up will be available Tuesday and Wednesday at the Hyatt Hotel, but for those of you coming in later, credentials will also be available at the Will Call section of the BI-LO Center box office on the days of the event. Tickets can be purchased at the BI-LO Center Box Office.

Athletes should pick up Athlete Credentials at the Pre-Registration Desk Tuesday and Wednesday at the Hyatt Hotel. After Wednesday Athlete Credentials will be available at the Will Call section of the BI-LO Center Box Office. It is recommended to pick up the credentials prior to the start of competition. It will be difficult to make any changes to credentials once Registration closes Wednesday night.

All VIPS must have a photo credential to gain access to the BI-LO Center. To get a VIP credential you should check in at Registration Tuesday or Wednesday. Credentials will also be available on the days of the event at the BI-LO Center at the USA Karate Registration Desk. VIP credentials must be pre-approved by the Director of Events, Jake Lease.

Coaches must have a photo credential to gain access to the BI-LO Center. Coaches attending the Coaching Certification Course on-site will receive credentials at the conclusion of the course. All other USA Karate certified Coaches must check in at Registration to have a photo credential issued. Only USA Karate Certified Coaches will be issued Coaching Credentials. Coaches arriving later will need to pick up their credentials at the BI-LO Center at the USA Karate Registration Desk.

Volunteers will receive a daily access pass from the Volunteer Coordinator, Cindy Seton-Rogers. Volunteers must attend the volunteer training session on Wednesday at the Hyatt Hotel from 6pm-7pm. Volunteers will receive a t-shirt and directions on how to access the BI-LO Center at the meeting.

Officials will receive credentials at the Referee Certification Course. Those Officials not attending the Referee Course should pick up credentials at the Pre-Registration Desk at the Hyatt Hotel Tuesday and Wednesday. Officials should show their Officials Passport at Pre-Registration to receive an Official credential. For Officials unable to pick up their credentials on Tuesday or Wednesday, credentials will be available at the BI-LO Center at the USA Karate Registration Desk.

Members of the Press must have a photo Press credential. Press Passes must be pre-approved by the Director of Tournament Operations, Brody Burns. Press Passes should be picked up at the Pre-Registration Desk.

Registration is open at the Hyatt Hotel Tuesday and Wednesday. Once Registration closes and operations move to the BI-LO Center, it will be difficult and time consuming to get credentials made or to make corrections to athlete registrations. A late fee is also assessed for any on-site registrations.

If you have any questions about access to the BI-LO Center, please contact USA Karate Staff onsite at the Hyatt Hotel.

Thank you and good luck at Nationals!