



2010 WORLD WHEELCHAIR RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEDIA OPERATIONS HANDBOOK

Accreditation

Accreditation to cover the 2010 WWRC will be granted to media personnel attached to a recognized media outlet. Accreditation can be applied for in advance at <http://2010wwrc.com/media>. All personnel attached to a media outlet, including cameramen, etc., must be accredited and have their media credentials visible at all times while on the premises.

On arrival at the Oval please check in with the Media Centre to receive your media credentials, Media Guide and other information.

Facilities

Accredited media will have access to the Media Centre, tribunes, and mixed zone. In addition, food services and other amenities are available in the general public area.

Parking

Paid parking is available underground at the Oval. Free reserved spaces for media parking are available adjacent to the Oval.

Media Centre

The Media Centre is located in close proximity to the tribunes. Personnel will be on hand during opening hours to assist you with your questions and requests. Hard copies of the latest press releases, game results, etc. will be available there.

The Media Centre will be open and staffed during the following hours:

Monday, Sept. 20: 9:00am - 1:00pm
Sept. 21 - 25: 9:00am to approx. one hour after the end of the last game
Sept. 26: 8:00am - 6:00pm

Internet

Wireless internet is accessible throughout the Oval.

Mixed Zone

Immediately following each game players, coaches and other personnel as requested will be available for interviews in the mixed zone. Interviews will be granted first to television and WWRC media partners, followed by the daily press, followed by other accredited media. Please follow the instructions of Media personnel.

Press Tribunes

Two press tribunes overlooking the two playing courts are available to accredited media. Working space is available on a first come basis. Hard-copy start lists, results, flash quotes will be distributed in the tribunes.

Field of Play (FOP)

The field of play (FOP) consists of the playing court and the immediate surrounding area, including the team benches and the officials tables. At the 2010 WWRC, the entire area inside the blue bumpers is considered the FOP.

Media are not to speak with or in any way engage the players or team staff while on the FOP.

Access to the FOP is restricted to the competing teams, match officials, accredited tournament staff, and accredited photographers with field of play access.

Photographers

All media on the FOP must have visible media accreditation identifying them as photographers and showing they have field of play access. They are required to remain in the designated photography positions within the FOP.

The area for designated photography positions is limited. Should the area become overcrowded, the Press Operations manager may allocate specific positions to photographers and camera crew.

Media entering and exiting the FOP are to proceed directly to and from the closest FOP entrance and should not cross in front of team benches or officials tables. Media entering and exiting the FOP should be aware of the game situation and should not move in a way that interferes with or distracts players or match officials. Under no circumstances are media photographers on the FOP to enter the playing court.

The FOP is under the control of the match officials. The two referees on the game court have overall responsibility for the FOP. Media are to follow any instructions given to them by the referees.

Media personnel who do not comply with these guidelines are subject to immediate removal from the FOP and may lose their media accreditation as a result.

For complete event information visit www.2010wwrc.com.

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