

Training Program for Deaf Athletics

Age Requirements

18 and over

Available 24/7

No

Other Eligibility Criteria

An athlete must have a hearing loss of 55 decibels or greater in the better ear. Team members must be US citizens.

Family

No

Intake Contact Email

HomeOffice@usdeafsports.org

Intake Process

Phone; TTY, or relay service. Visit the website

Provider Refer

Yes

Report Problems

Call the Agency

Self Refer

Yes

USA Deaf Sports Federation Inc

<http://www.usdeafsports.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/USADSF>

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Main

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United States

Fee Structure

Call for Information

Languages Spoken

English

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Sign Language

USA Deaf Sports Federation (USADSF) serves as the national governing body of deaf sport organizations in the United States. Its purpose is to regulate the rules of competition for affiliated organizations, facilitate the participation of US teams in international deaf competitions, and promote human rights and equity through sports.

Deaf athletes benefit from adaptations that are specific to their needs, such as the use of a light flashing system instead of starting guns or buzzers, and having officials employ hand signals and flags instead of whistles. Full access to communication is also a critical factor in the success of any athlete.

The shared interest in sports brings together all kinds of D/deaf, hard of hearing, hearing impaired people and creates new opportunities for friendship and networking within the greater deaf and hard of hearing community. Playing among peers fosters a sense of solidarity and a feeling of camaraderie that is priceless.

USA Deaf Sports Federation (USADSF) offers year-round training to athletes and coordinates athletic competitions in a variety of sports at the state, regional, national, and international level. They believe in the consistent and ongoing training and development of deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals as leaders, coaches, officials, and participants who serve as role models for future generations.

Service Area(s)

Nationwide

Email

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