



2008 Austria Program Information Packet

Lions Trophy Tournament
July 22 – July 30, 2022



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Introduction

Congratulations to your player for being selected to represent the Atlantic District at the 2022 Lions Trophy Tournament in Villach, Austria! This is a once-in-a-lifetime experience that your child will remember forever.

This document is intended to offer you some general information about the program to help you plan for the trip, and we are happy to answer any questions you may have. However, we would like to state up front that the key to a successful Austria experience is flexibility. Plans are subject to change based on many factors that are outside our control, and it makes things much easier and more fun when everyone is willing to go with the flow.

Registration Fees

Your team registration fee of ~\$3,600 includes the following:

- Round-trip airfare
- Bus transportation
- Lodging
- Meals
- Home & away jerseys and socks
- Player apparel
- Daily ice sessions (practices & games)
- Team activities

Note that the registration fee may change based on travel costs and the exchange rate; it will not be higher than \$3,600 but it might be lower. We will send out team selections in December and will take a deposit at that time with the balance payable in installments.

Practice Schedules

Players are all expected to attend the 2008 Training & Development Camp at Virtua Flyers Skate Zone Voorhees, NJ in July, 2022 (dates TBD). This is an overnight camp that will begin around 11:00 am on Wednesday and will end around noon on Friday. We will hold a player mandatory/parent optional meeting and an Austria team practice after the last camp session on Friday.



Travel

FLIGHTS The registration fee includes round-trip airfare from a local area airport to Europe. We will fly from a local area airport to Venice, Italy, and will provide parents with flight details as soon as possible. Please note that flights are non-refundable and non-transferrable. It is mandatory for players to travel to Europe with the team, no exceptions; we are unable to arrange meet-ups with players who may already be in Europe or who arrive late. We can release players to their parents at the conclusion of the tournament upon request, but in those circumstances parents will be responsible for arranging their player's travel back to the United States. We cannot issue any discounts or refunds for players who do not travel home with the team.

The flight is approximately 8 hours in duration, and players should bring whatever they will need to be comfortable on a flight of that duration including motion sickness medication, other medications, ear buds, reading materials, and snacks and/or money to purchase food on the plane. It is especially important for any players with food allergies or sensitivities to bring snacks so they can be sure they will have something safe to eat during the flight. Players should try to sleep on the plane, because we will have a full day of activities planned upon our arrival.

The staff will meet the players at the airport at a location TBD 3½ hours before their scheduled departure time. Coaches will collect the players' original, notarized Consent for Travel with a Minor and Assignment of Responsibility forms there. Players should be prepared to present their passports and at airport security. The coaches will have the players' boarding passes and will distribute them as needed. Once the team has arrived in Europe and cleared customs, the coaches will collect the players' passports and will redistribute them for the return flight.

LUGGAGE The baggage fee for players' hockey bags is included in their registration fees. Players may bring a carry-on bag at no charge; if they elect to check an additional bag besides their hockey bags they will be responsible for paying the baggage fee. They may bring two sticks that are securely taped together; they should not bring their own stick bags as we will put all the sticks in a single stick bag for transport. Make sure a luggage tag with your contact information is securely affixed to each piece of luggage. Any necessary items such as medication should be packed in the players' carry-on bags.

BUS The bus driver will meet the teams at the airport upon arrival and they will load their luggage onto the bus before taking a boat to Venice. They will spend 3-4 hours exploring the city with local tour guides, and then will head back to the airport and bus up to Villach to spend the night. At the end of the trip, players will travel by bus from Villach to the Venice airport on July 30 or 31. Players must be prepared to go through customs as they travel from Italy to Austria and back. Coaches will collect the players' passports and Consent to Travel



with a Minor forms at the airport and will present them during the border crossings. Please remind your player that it is important that they are on their best behavior while waiting at customs.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS Please note that all players must bring a valid signed passport on this trip. Passports must have 6 months' remaining validity, so if your player's passport expires after January 31, 2022 it must be renewed prior to departure. Make sure you apply for a new or renewal passport well in advance to ensure that it is received in time. Please note that we need to collect players' passport numbers and submit them to Homeland Security no later than June 1, so you must have your player's valid passport in hand by that date. Every family must provide a Consent for Travel with a Minor form signed by both parents and notarized, even if both parents plan to travel to Europe on the same flight as the team. Every family must also provide a signed and notarized Assignment of Responsibility form so that we can obtain medical treatment for the players in case of emergency.

PARENTS Parents are welcome to travel to Europe alongside the team and attend practices and games. However, due to space and logistical constraints we are unable to include parents in any team activities. In addition, parents will be responsible for making their own travel and lodging arrangements and will be unable to travel between Venice and Villach with the team.

Hotel

Holiday Inn Villach, Europaplatz 1 – 2, Villach 9500 Austria, +43 4242 22522 804

The coaches will assign players to rooming pairs and we are unable to accept rooming requests.

Itinerary

Please note that coaches will set curfew/lights out and wake up times each day and players are expected to adhere to this schedule without exception.

VENICE, ITALY The players will spend 3-4 hours on July 23 sightseeing in Venice, Italy. Players will be split into small groups and assigned to a coach and tour guide for the day.

VILLACH, AUSTRIA

PRACTICES Players will have one practice on July 25 and two practices per day on July 26 and 27.



TOURNAMENT GAMES Each of our two teams will play 2 games on July 28 and 29 and at least one game on July 30. The semi-final and final games will be played on August 7. The 2019 tournament included our two teams, two Austrian teams, and two Ukrainian teams, but we anticipate a different setup for the 2022 tournament. In 2019 we were able to live stream the games via Periscope and then post them to Vimeo, and we will make every effort to allow parents to watch from home again this year.

MEALS We will usually eat breakfast at the hotel. We will have dinner at local restaurants each day, which may include:

- Arena Café at Villacher Alpen Arena
- GenussWirt am Pyramidenkogel
- Salud
- Villacher Brauhof
- Landskron Castle, where we will view a falconry show and participate in a medieval-style dinner

Player Dress Code

- Players must wear their Atlantic District golf shirts and baseball caps for the flight. They can wear comfortable (clean and tidy) pants and footwear of their choice.
- Players should wear their Atlantic District t-shirts and baseball caps for all team activities.
- Players must wear khaki pants, team golf shirt, and shoes (no sneakers or flip-flops) to all practices and games. They should bring sneakers and off-ice warmup clothing with them to the rink.
- During practices and games, players will wear their team jerseys and matching socks. We do not expect anyone to go out and purchase any new equipment, but given a choice we prefer for players to wear a black helmet, black gloves, and black pants or a black shell.
- Players are expected to carry their equipment in their Atlantic District hockey bags.

Before We Leave

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS When registering for the Austria program, please note if your player had dual citizenship. As noted earlier, your player's passport must have at least six months' remaining validity. Please be sure that your player has signed his passport prior to arrival at the airport. Each family must provide a Consent for Travel with a Minor form that has been signed by both parents and notarized. Families also must provide a signed and notarized Assignment of Responsibility Form that will allow us to obtain medical



treatment for players in case of emergency. You should check with your health insurance carrier to see if your policy offers coverage abroad, and if not you may want to consider purchasing travel medical insurance. About two weeks prior to departure we will send parents the final ticketing list; it is critically important that you review your player's information for accuracy promptly and notify us immediately of any errors.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE Your child will need some cash while in Europe. You will want to purchase some Euros at your bank, keeping in mind that if they do not have Euros on hand it can take up to two weeks to get them. There are banks near the hotel, so your child will be able to exchange currency in Europe if necessary. You may also want to consider getting your child a prepaid debit card, keeping in mind that few establishments in Villach will take American Express.

COMMUNICATION In order to avoid high international charges, contact your wireless provider prior to departure to adjust your plan. Staff will communicate with team members using WhatsApp, so be sure to download the app in advance.

Packing checklist

- Equipment and sticks; there is a pro shop across the street from the rink where players can get their skates sharpened if needed
- Home & away jerseys and socks
- Khaki pants/shorts
- Shoes and socks
- Team apparel (3/4 zip jacket, golf shirts, cap)
- Off-ice warmup clothing
- Sneakers
- Casual clothing
- Dinner/evening outfit
- Toiletries & Medications
- Money
- Charger with travel adaptor (Both Italy and Austria use type F plugs and operate on a standard voltage of 230 V and a standard frequency of 50 Hz)



Assignment of Responsibility Form

We, _____ (print P/G 1 name) and _____ (print P/G 2 name), parent(s) of _____ (print player name) hereby authorize the staff of the Atlantic District Player Development Program - USA Hockey to act on our behalf with respect to the above-named minor in the event of an emergency.

Please print clearly

Player Full Name:			
Player Passport Number:			
Parent/Guardian 1 Full Name:			
Parent/Guardian 1 Signature:			Date:
Address 1:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	
Parent/Guardian 2 Full Name:			
Parent/Guardian 2 Signature:			Date:
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	
Responsible Adult Full Name:			
Responsible Adult Passport Number:			
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	

State of _____

County of _____

On _____ (date), before me, _____ (notary), personally appeared _____ and _____ (signers) and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) are subscribed to the within document and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacity(ies).

WITNESS my hand and official seal:

My commission expires:



Consent for Travel with a Minor Child Form

We, _____ (print P/G 1 name) and _____ (print P/G 2 name), are the lawful custodial or non-custodial parent or guardian of _____ (print player name). The Atlantic District Player Development Program – USA Hockey has our consent to travel with the above-named minor to Italy and Austria from Saturday, August 1 – Sunday, August 9, 2020 for the purposes of hockey training and development

Please print clearly

Player Full Name:			
Player Passport Number:			
Parent/Guardian 1 Full Name:			
Parent/Guardian 1 Signature:			Date:
Address 1:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	
Parent/Guardian 2 Full Name:			
Parent/Guardian 2 Signature:			Date:
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	
Responsible Adult Full Name:			
Responsible Adult Passport Number:			
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone 1:		Phone 2:	

State of _____
 County of _____

On _____ (date), before me, _____ (notary), personally appeared _____ and _____ (signers) and proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) are subscribed to the within document and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacity(ies).

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