

## 2013 FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS – MEDIA INFORMATION ROUNDS 1, 2, & QUARTERFINALS

*Media: Credentials are granted with the understanding that you have read the following and will comply.*

For football playoff games, round one through the quarterfinals, all media **must contact** the host school of the game they will cover. Usually that contact is the Athletic Director. Because many press box facilities do not have the capacity to seat all the necessary game personnel, media needs to understand that, as in the past, they may have to sit outside.

**During Rounds 1, 2 and the quarterfinals, for a game assigned to the UNI Dome**, the contact is Trent Ames, director of operations at the UNI Dome. His email is [trenton.ames@uni.edu](mailto:trenton.ames@uni.edu) or by phone at 319-273-3923. *The Dome will not be used during the first three rounds unless Cedar Falls is hosting. There is a new media entrance to the UNI-Dome. It is on the west side of the annex between the Dome and McLeod Center and it is clearly marked.*

Media be aware of the following rules:

- **ELECTRONIC MEDIA:** Live **AUDIO** streaming during the first three rounds is approved, but **NO VIDEO** streaming, separately or related to an audio broadcast is allowed, by radio/internet stations, television or community/school entities. Radio and Internet stations **DO NOT** have a broadcast fee for rounds one through the quarterfinals. However the IHSSN has a game fee for **semifinal round and championship games** (see below).
  - **A DELAYED** 24-hour rebroadcast and video replay/streaming agreement is available through the IHSSN. Forms needed to be filed with the IHSSN can be found on the IHSSN web page under the General Information tab. The IHSSN has a \$150.00 charge per camera with a portion being returned by the IHSSN to the host school.
  - **VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS BY TV & NEWSPAPERS:** Television stations and newspapers that have video capabilities on their website have the same regulations. Highlights of 20-30 seconds are acceptable as well as post game interviews -- **No interviews however** are to take place on the field of play at any time. This applies to all media including the IHSSN. **Interviews are to take place after the post game awards.**
  - **TEAM LOCKER ROOMS:** The locker rooms of both teams and officials are closed to all media before, during and following the game.
  - **PHOTOGRAPHERS, CAMERA PEOPLE & MEDIA WHO ARE ON THE FIELD:** You are to stay behind the restraining lines that are on the field. Do not enter the team boxes (25 yd line to 25 yd line).
  - Phone line costs are the responsibility of the covering media outlet. It is **the media's responsibility to call immediately** for credentials once the team(s) you cover qualify for each round.
  - **Commercial photographers not associated with a media outlet are not credentialed.** For those teams with a **team or school photographer** that individual's admittance must come from the team allotment or purchasing a ticket. **All team videotaping or videography** has to be done from the stands.
  - **One student publications person** (either a writer or a photographer) for each team is permissible. The individual must have a game ticket to secure a sideline pass from the host of the game. He/she **must furnish an official letter from his/her principal or athletic director to the meet manager.**

**LOOKING AHEAD:** After the quarterfinals, media information for the semifinals and finals will be posted on the football website with a registration link. **ALL media will need to apply on line** for credentials to these rounds if your team(s) advance, **That registration link will be posted by November 5.** *Assignment editors be sure anyone who may cover semifinal or final round games is registered to avoid having to purchase a ticket. **There will be a 10 a.m. November 12 deadline for registration.** The list generated will be for the semifinals and the finals.* Should your semifinal round team lose your finals request will be dropped.

**RADIO for semifinals and finals** the IHSSN game fees are charged and expected to be paid when you obtain your credential. You will be allow to stream the audio to your website but not the video.. Please go to [www.ihssn.com](http://www.ihssn.com) and click on the **RESOURCES TAB** located on the top navigation bar of the homepage. It is the responsibility of each entity to read and abide by these rules and regulations.

*Bud Legg, IHSSA Information Director*