

## **Application for the Team USPA Program**

All materials and applications for 2017 must be submitted between July 15<sup>th</sup> and August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Applications should be scanned and submitted electronically to teamuspa@uspolo.org. A video on DVD should be sent USPS, FedEx or UPS to: Team USPA Aiken Training Center 244 Langdon Rd. Aiken, SC 29805. The following information is requested;

- 1. Age: Individuals born between 1/1/1993 and 12/31/1998 are eligible to apply.
- 2. Current Handicap: The minimum handicap for male applicants is one goal (indoor or outdoor) and the minimum handicap for female applicants is zero goals (indoor or outdoor).
- 3. Proof of US citizenship.
- 4. A <u>hand written</u> cover letter outlining their polo ambitions and reasons why they should be selected for the Team USPA program.
- 5. An up-to-date and detailed résumé including; detailed polo and horse related experience, industry-related work experience, skills and hobbies.
- 6. Application form submitted.
- 7. A polo video of the applicant playing; a clearly labeled DVD highlighting the player's ability with a description of the game, specific chukker or time to be viewed and identification of applicant.
- 8. A minimum of three recommendation letters demonstrating athletic ability, work ethic, potential, and horsemanship sent electronically to <a href="mailto:teamuspa@uspolo.org">teamuspa@uspolo.org</a>.
- 9. A high resolution headshot (300dpi) and a high resolution action photograph of yourself emailed to teamuspa@uspolo.org.
- 10. High school diploma or equivalent must be achieved by 12/31/17.

Additionally, applicants must be available to attend the Team USPA Clinic and try-outs held during January or February 2017 in Wellington, FL (All expenses paid for by the USPA)

Selection criteria will include athletic ability, horsemanship, improvement potential, attitude, and work ethic. This program identifies talented American polo players who are committed to giving back to the sport as well as dedicated to their own growth. If applicant is selected, they will be required to take a written rules test and become trained as a certified umpire during their first year in the program. They also will be required to update team USPA leadership on their polo experience and progress throughout their time in the program.



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## **TEAM USPA APPLICATION FORM**

Applications for 2017 will be accepted from July 15th through August 15th, 2016 **Date**: / / Name: Home Address: City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_ Current USPA Handicap: OUTDOOR \_\_\_\_\_ ARENA \_\_\_\_ Current Foreign Handicap: OUTDOOR \_\_\_\_\_ ARENA \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: Email (No .edu addresses please): Email Address (\*No .edu addresses please): School or University: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_ Primary Polo Club: Are you a USPA Certified Umpire? Health Insurance Provider: \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of US Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ Languages Spoken: Have you competed in any NYTS (National Youth Tournament Series) events? If yes, where?