

Player Participation Newsletter – 2006-07

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It's that time of the year again; playoff scenarios are being evaluated, fans are glued to their television sets, and everyone is stressing over holiday preparations. We hope that you stay focused and your crew can finish the season strong.

Playoff Teams

Yes, we continue to perform our Player Participation duties into the post-season. A number of crews have asked how we handle Super Bowl staffing. For Super Bowl, we use the local crew in the host city of the Super Bowl.

Cold Weather

In past years, we have experienced problems with the camera batteries in cold weather cities. When the weather gets cold, the batteries don't seem to last as long. Thus, we recommend that all clubs affected by the weather use their A/C adapters. If A/C power is not an option, be sure to fully charge all of your batteries before the game and keep your spare battery in your pocket to keep it warm.

Data Quality

The season is not over yet; there are games to be played still. Even if your club has been eliminated or secured a playoff berth, it is important that you still give your best effort. Coaches, players, and everyone else connected to the clubs are still giving their all and you should too. These last few games offer you the opportunity to achieve the season-long goal of averaging 5 or less mistakes per game (99.85% accurate). This is also your last opportunity to achieve the pinnacle of Player Participation performance; a perfect game. Make sure you take a photo of your crew members before your last game so we can create a "Perfect Game" poster for your crew in the event your crew submits a perfect game.

Silver Camera Body Recall

We are happy to report that we will be deploying the highly successful Player Participation program to NFL Europa in the Spring. We need your help in redeploying your old silver camera bodies to Europe. Next season, we will be replacing all of the older silver cameras with the new Digital Rebel XTi 10 megapixel cameras. If you have any silver camera bodies in your equipment trunk please remove the lens and place a cap over the lens and camera body. Caps will be distributed to all clubs. The caps and instructions will be in the next disk shipment you receive. Wrap the camera bodies with at least 2 inches of bubble-wrap. Also, locate the battery chargers, old batteries and A/C adapter for this camera. The A/C adapters should be in your tripod bags. Ship the camera bodies, batteries, chargers and A/C adapters to John Cave after the completion of your last game.

That's all she wrote

After your last home game, please spend a little bit of extra time packing all of the equipment neatly into your trunk. Remove batteries from the cameras before you pack them away for the offseason. Be sure to lock the trunk and secure it in a safe place so that the equipment can be used again next season.

Happy Holidays to you and your family!

NFL Player Participation Crew

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