

## World Cup Lacrosse Festival 2017 – Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is the first thing that I need to do?**

Before you do anything else, you need to go on to the Official Festival Website and complete the Enquiry Form: <http://www.englishlacrosse.co.uk/RWLC17/world-lacrosse-festival/>

### **Where is The Festival being played?**

All of The Festival games are being played at exactly the same place as The World Cup - Surrey Sports Park - which is part of the University of Surrey in the South East of England.

### **What are the dates of The World Cup?**

The World Cup is being played between Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> July (Opening Ceremony and First Match) and Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> July (The Final) 2017

### **What are the dates of The Festival?**

The Festival is being held on exactly the same dates as The World Cup (well actually Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July). There are 10 different Divisions running throughout the World Cup and for the specific dates of each Division, please refer to the main website at: <http://www.englishlacrosse.co.uk/RWLC17/world-lacrosse-festival/>

### **Who are Sweet Chariot?**

Sweet Chariot is a specialist Lacrosse Group Sports Tour Operator and they have been appointed by The English Lacrosse Association as the Official 2017 Festival Travel Partner. They will assist all teams taking part in The World Cup Lacrosse Festival with their Entry Process and they will also assist each team with their individual requirements including any transport, food, accommodation, sightseeing and additional lacrosse needs: [www.sweetchariot.co.uk](http://www.sweetchariot.co.uk)

### **How much is it to enter a team into The Festival?**

Each Division has a different Team Entry Fee and the details for each Division and their respective Team Entry Fees can be found here: <http://www.englishlacrosse.co.uk/RWLC17/world-lacrosse-festival/>

### **What is included in my Team Entry Fee?**

As well as entry into The Festival, you will also receive **20** Festival T-shirts and **20** sets of tickets for the World Cup matches, for the days of your Festival Division.

### **What do I do if my squad is bigger than 20 people and I would like more T-shirts and more World Cup tickets?**

No problem. Each Festival Division is different so if you tell us how many people are in your overall squad, we can give you an exact quote for your number of people, for your Festival Division.

### **Can I get tickets to watch The World Cup Final on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July?**

Yes. All Festival Teams will get priority access to World Cup Final tickets – subject to availability at the time of request, these are priced at £35 per person (adults) and £20 per person (under 16's).

### **What can I do about finding somewhere to stay?**

Sweet Chariot can offer you rooms at the Official Festival Accommodation at Surrey University or they can offer you rooms at local hotels.

### **What about transport, sightseeing and other lacrosse and non-lacrosse opportunities around The Festival?**

Sweet Chariot can help with all of these and much, much more – just let them know what you need.

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**Is there anything that Sweet Chariot cannot help me with?**

Unfortunately Sweet Chariot cannot assist you with any flights, your insurance, any requests for individuals (Sweet Chariot is a Group Sports Tour Operator) and any spectator requests.

**What is the distance between The Official Festival Accommodation and the pitches - can I walk?**

The Official Festival Accommodation at the University of Surrey is just under a mile from the pitches (a 15 minute walk) but given the uncertain nature of the English weather, shuttle services will be running throughout the day between the Official Festival Accommodation and the pitches.

**Is there WiFi at the Official Festival Accommodation?**

Yes. At the moment it is only guaranteed to be in the public areas but the University's aim is to have it in place in all of the bedrooms as well, by July 2017.

**Is there parking at the Official Festival Accommodation?**

There will be drop off and pick up points at the accommodation but there is very limited on site parking at the accommodation. Paid parking will be available at Surrey Sports Park with a **FREE** shuttle service available between the parking areas/the pitches and the accommodation.

**Will there be food available to purchase at the pitches?**

Yes, there will be a variety of food vendors on location at Surrey Sports Park plus a Starbucks, a fully stocked (and licensed) bar and a Tesco's supermarket over the road.

**What can I do for dinner?**

For teams staying at The Official Festival Accommodation, there are a number of options. You can buy food at the fields (as you will do for lunch), you can pick up some provisions at the supermarket, you can pre-pay and pre-book dinner at the accommodation, with Sweet Chariot, for £16pp or you can go to nearby Guildford (about 1.5 miles away from the accommodation) where there are many and varied restaurants to cater for all tastes and all budgets.

**Will I be able to watch any of The World Cup matches?**

Yes. As The World Cup and The World Cup Festival are being played at the same venue and on the same dates and as World Cup tickets are included in your Festival Team Entry Fee, for your team's playing days, this is absolutely possible. Additionally, whilst it cannot be guaranteed, the organisers of The Festival will be doing their very best to ensure that your team's Festival Matches are not due to be played at the same time as all of your country's World Cup Matches.

**Will I be able to see my country play in The World Cup?**

Whilst it cannot be guaranteed, the organisers of The Festival will do their very best to ensure that your team's Festival Matches are not due to be played at the same time as all of your country's World Cup Matches.

**What if I have friends and family coming to watch me play in The Festival?**

Spectating at The Festival is free of charge.

**What if my friends and family want to also watch some of The World Cup matches?**

Tickets can be purchased in advance or on the day for the World Cup matches.

**How many lacrosse matches will I get to play at The Festival?**

The exact number of games will depend on the number of teams in your Division. You may have fewer but longer games or more, shorter games. Whatever the situation, you are guaranteed plenty of Lacrosse on your playing days.

**What are the maximum squad sizes permitted for The Festival?**

For all of the Divisions, no more than 18 players are permitted to be dressed for any one match but there is no restriction to the overall squad size for the tournament.

**What will the standard be at The Festival?**

As with all tournaments, The Festival Divisions will include a wide range of abilities and will involve teams from all around the world. The Festival organisers will be doing all they can to structure each Division to ensure that all teams get some meaningful matches during their playing days.

**Do I need to provide officials for my team's matches?**

No, all umpires/referees will be provided and are included as part of your Festival Team Fee.

**Are there any age restrictions for The Festival Divisions?**

Yes. In an effort to make it as easy as possible for teams from all around the world to take part and to do so with their regular season players, there is a Graduating from High School year as well as a Date Of Birth restriction.

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If you run into specific difficulties with this, please contact Sweet Chariot directly.

**What medical cover will there be at The Festival pitches?**

There will be emergency ambulance and first aid cover at the pitches and there is a hospital just over the road from Surrey Sport Park. If physiotherapy treatment or strapping is required, this will be the responsibility of the individual teams and will not be provided by the organisers of The Festival.

**How and who do I pay?**

Sweet Chariot will handle all of the payments for The Festival. You are not officially entered into The Festival until they acknowledge receipt of your Team Fee into their bank account:

Company Name: Sweet Chariot Leisure Ltd  
Bank Name: Lloyds Bank  
Bank address: 32 Commercial Way, Woking, Surrey, GU21 1ER  
Account number: 02600009  
Sort Code (bank code): 30-99-80  
IBAN: GB98 LOYD 3099 8002 6000 09  
BIC: LOYDGB21061

Sweet Chariot will pass on the entry fee to the organiser of The Festival. If required and upon request, the Festival organiser will be able to issue an invoice to your team for the Festival entry fee.

**How do I contact Sweet Chariot?**

They are available during UK office hours on +44 1372 725253 and by email at [lacrosse@sweetchariot.co.uk](mailto:lacrosse@sweetchariot.co.uk)

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