



Ohio Revised Code Section 122.12 Definitions.

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As used in this section and in sections 122.121 and 122.122 of the Revised Code:

- (A) "Endorsing county" means a county that contains a site selected by a site selection organization for one or more games.
- (B) "Endorsing municipality" means a municipal corporation that contains a site selected by a site selection organization for one or more games.
- (C) "Game support contract" means a joinder undertaking, joinder agreement, or similar contract executed by an endorsing municipality or endorsing county and a site selection organization.
- (D) "Game" means a national or international competition or other event, such as a player draft or commemoration, associated with a sport, including the special olympics.
- (E) "Joinder agreement" means an agreement entered into by a local organizing committee, endorsing municipality, or endorsing county, or more than one endorsing municipality or county acting collectively and a site selection organization setting out representations and assurances by each endorsing municipality or endorsing county in connection with the selection of a site in this state for the location of a game.
- (F) "Joinder undertaking" means an agreement entered into by a local organizing committee, endorsing municipality, or endorsing county, or more than one endorsing municipality or county acting collectively and a site selection organization that each endorsing municipality or endorsing county will execute a joinder agreement in the event that the site selection organization selects a site in this state for a game.
- (G) "Local organizing committee" means a nonprofit corporation or its successor in interest that:



(1) Has been authorized by an endorsing municipality, endorsing county, or more than one endorsing municipality or county acting collectively to pursue an application and bid on the applicant's behalf to a site selection organization for selection as the site of one or more games; or

(2) With the authorization of an endorsing municipality, endorsing county, or more than one endorsing municipality or county acting collectively, has executed an agreement with a site selection organization regarding a bid to host one or more games.

(H) "Site selection organization" means the national or international governing body of a sport that is recognized as such by the endorsing municipality, endorsing county, or local organizing committee.

(I) "Sport" means football, auto racing, rugby, cricket, horse racing, mixed martial arts, boxing, baseball, or any competition that is either or both of the following:

(1) Governed by an international federation;

(2) Included in at least one of the following:

(a) Olympic games;

(b) Pan American games;

(c) Commonwealth games.

(J) "Qualifying costs" means the costs to fulfill the obligations of a local organizing committee, endorsing municipality, or endorsing county to a site selection organization under a game support contract, which obligations may include the payment of the following costs:

(1) Costs relating to the preparations necessary for the conduct of the game, including acquiring, renovating, or constructing facilities;

(2) Costs of conducting the game;



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(3) Costs to assist the local organizing committee, endorsing municipality, or endorsing county in providing assurances required by a site selection organization sponsoring one or more games.