

2024 Fresno Grizzlies Media Guidelines

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MEDIA CREDENTIALS:

2024 Fresno Grizzlies media credentials will be issued only to accredited media members. Grizzlies season credentials will be issued to media outlets that cover the Grizzlies on a daily basis. To request media credentials, please contact Stephen Rice at srice@fresnogrizzlies.com. The Grizzlies require 24-hour notice for all daily credential requests. Credential requests should be sent via email to srice@fresnogrizzlies.com from a sports editor, sports director or photo editor. All weekend requests should be made by 3 p.m. on the Thursday prior. Under no circumstances are media credentials to be transferred from person to person without the consent of the Fresno Grizzlies. Violation of this policy may result in the informing of the League office, dismissal of the media member from Chukchansi Park, and confiscation of the violator's media credential for the remainder of the 2024 season. Credentials may be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Fresno Grizzlies. **CREDENTIALS MUST BE VISIBLY WORN AT ALL TIMES.**

MEDIA ENTRY:

All approved media members will be subject to Club discretion and its standards/policies that will govern entry, which are described in Minor League Baseball's 2024 Operations Manual. Clubs may begin to allow media into the ballpark no more than three hours prior to first pitch. Per Major League Baseball, ALL members of the media entering Chukchansi Park MUST sign the Media Credential Release of Liability Waiver form before entering the ballpark. These files will be kept by Stephen Rice. If a media member is unwilling to sign, they will not be allowed to enter the ballpark. Media must leave the ballpark no later than 90 minutes following the conclusion of the game.

MEDIA PARKING:

There will be a limited number of media parking spots beyond the outfield wall along Inyo Street. Additional parking for media members will be made available in the stadium solar lot on H Street. If driving a vehicle that is not clearly marked as a media vehicle, contact Stephen Rice for parking privileges and/or entry to the ballpark. If the media member can't follow these guidelines, they will not have access to the ballpark for that game.

PRESS BOX:

The Press Box is located on the third level of Chukchansi Park and opens three hours before game time. The Chukchansi Park press box is for WORKING members of the media ONLY. The Fresno Grizzlies will provide food service to media covering the game or event. Media members are permitted to bring outside food into the ballpark, subject to Club approval and screening upon entry. If you have any food allergies or do not like any future offered meals, the Fresno Grizzlies have concession options located on the first level of Chukchansi Park. Please contact Stephen Rice for any questions on this matter.

GAME NOTES AND STATISTICS:

Grizzlies Game Notes and Statistics, along with Team Rosters, will be made available via access code in the press box three hours prior to the start of each game. Lineups are made available in the Chukchansi Park press box approximately two hours prior to game time. If the media member would like a printed copy of the game notes, please contact Stephen Rice and he will gladly provide a printed copy.

LIMITED NUMBER OF APPROVED MEDIA:

Since the total number of people allowed in a facility is subject to local laws and orders, the Fresno Grizzlies reserve the right to make approvals of media applications based on the applicable local guidance and the ability to safely physically distance all media, including by, if necessary, prohibiting media access on any given day (even for those who hold otherwise valid credentials).

FOLLOWING HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES:

By receiving a media credential, a media member agrees to observe all MLB, MiLB and Fresno Grizzlies rules; any applicable government orders in a local market; and other precautionary steps that are in place to preserve health and safety. Covid-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. An inherent risk of exposure to Covid-19 exists in any public place regardless of precautions that may be taken. An approved media member shall agree to (a) assume all risks associated with Covid-19 and other communicable diseases, and (b) comply with all related health & safety policies of the Fresno Grizzlies and Chukchansi Park. By using the credential, the media member is deemed to have given full release of liability to the released parties to the fullest extent permitted by law. Failure to comply with any health and safety initiatives will result in a loss of access to the ballpark.

RESTRICTED AREAS:

Approved media members will not be permitted in Restricted Areas such as the home and visitor clubhouses, locker rooms, batting tunnels, playing fields, dugouts, training rooms, weight rooms, interview rooms and any route inside the ballpark/facility utilized by players, coaches and field staff. If a media member fails to comply with any of these guidelines, it will result in a loss of access to the ballpark.

CREDENTIALING:

A limited number of media members (including photographers) may receive credentials and access to certain Non-Restricted Areas.

- A)** All media must apply for a daily credential with Stephen Rice at least 24 hours before a game. Advance notice is vital in order to have priority for access to these areas.
- B)** Media members who plan to travel for road games of the Fresno Grizzlies must communicate their plans to Stephen Rice prior to each road trip. Stephen Rice will also coordinate with the opposing team's media contact for rules and access to the facilities.

WORKSPACE:

Media members are limited to the workspace provided for them and MUST NOT ENTER other areas of the facility unless accompanied by Stephen Rice. Stephen Rice can also deny any media members access to other areas and that media member must abide by his decision.

INTERVIEWS/VIRTUAL INTERVIEWS:

All pregame and postgame interviews shall be coordinated by Stephen Rice. If the player and or coach is not available for an in-person interview, there is an option for a virtual interview. That must also be set up by Stephen Rice, the media member and on-field personnel that would be interviewed.

