

THE SPORTS INTERN INDUSTRY INSIDER



ALEXIA PIDOLOT

GAME DAY OPERATIONS & TRAVEL LOGISTICS
EMPIRE STRYKERS



Alexia Pidolot is in charge of **Game Day Operations & Travel Logistics** for the **Empire Strykers**, a professional indoor soccer team based in Ontario, California, playing in the **Major Arena Soccer League**. In this role, she oversees the planning and execution of all game-day activities while coordinating team travel throughout the season.

A former **Events & Partnership Intern** with the team, Alexia turned her internship into a full-time opportunity, a path that reflects her growing passion for event operations. A typical day for her includes managing event timelines, coordinating with coaches, office staff, and partners, ensuring in-game operations run smoothly, and handling any real-time issues. On the logistics side, she organizes transportation, accommodations, and travel schedules for the team, making sure everything is efficient and seamless. This role requires strong organization, adaptability, and the ability to perform under pressure to deliver a successful game-day experience.

► FAVORITE PART OF THE JOB:

Game days. She gets to see all the preparation come to life with the energy of the event in real time. She especially thrives on the pressure and adrenaline, as well as creating a memorable experience for both fans and players.

► CHALLENGING PART OF THE JOB:

On game days: managing unexpected issues in real time. On the the travel side: handling disruptions like flight delays or cancellations.

Both demand rapid problem-solving, clear communication, and quick logistical adjustments to keep things running smoothly. While stressful, these experiences have strengthened her adaptability and ability to stay calm and efficient under pressure.

► INTERNSHIP JOURNEY:

- Bourgoin Jallieu City Hall (France)
 - Project Manager Intern, Rugby World Cup 2023
- Sagarmatha Agency (France)
 - Project Manager Intern
- Empire Strykers (California)
 - Event & Partnership Intern



ALEXIA'S TIPS

- **Stay organized** – always be one step ahead
- **Be proactive** – ask as many questions as you need
- **Be adaptable** and ready to work under pressure