



2007 USSSA MEN'S CLASS "D" WORLD TOURNAMENT

Congratulations on an outstanding season and welcome to the 2007 USSSA Men's Class "D" World Tournament. The tournament will be played at the beautiful Liberty Park of America Complex, September 20-23, 2007.

The USSSA Softball program will use the "Double Elimination" format in its World Championships.

ENTRY PROCEDURE – FOR TEAMS THAT QUALIFIED IN MEN'S C/D OR MEN'S D NATIONAL INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS AND IN MEN'S D NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Teams that qualified for the Men's D World Tournament in a Men's C/D or Men's D National Invitational Tournament or in a Men's D National Tournament will be entered into the World Tournament by their respective National Invitational or National Tournament Director, and their \$300 entry fee will be paid by the event where they qualified. [Exceptions: teams that receive an unpaid, passed down berth in a Men's C/D National Invitational must enter the World Tournament through their respective State Director (see instructions below). Also, teams that receive an unpaid, passed down berth in a Men's D National Tournament must pay their \$300 entry fee at the National Tournament and enter through their respective National Tournament Director.] See below for instructions to confirm your team's entry into the World Tournament.

ENTRY PROCEDURE – FOR TEAMS THAT QUALIFIED THROUGH AN AN AT-LARGE BERTH OR A PASSED DOWN BERTH FROM A MEN'S C/D NATIONAL INVITATIONAL

If your team qualified for the Men's D World Tournament through an at-large berth, or received an unpaid, passed down berth from a C/D National Invitational Tournament, you must enter through your respective State Director. Friday, August 31st is the deadline for your team's \$300 entry fee to be received by your State Director (Exception: Monday, September 10th is the deadline for teams that win a National At-Large berth Labor Day Weekend or later to pay their team's \$300 entry fee to their respective State Director). *Only certified checks, cashier's checks, or money orders will be accepted.* Entry forms will be completed and mailed to the USSSA National Office by your State Director along with your team's entry fee. See below for instructions to confirm your team's entry into the World Tournament.

ENTRY PROCEDURE FOR STATE DIRECTORS AND NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

All entry forms (and entry fees, if applicable), must be received at USSSA Headquarters by Tuesday, September 11th. Send to: USSSA National Office, Attn. Marsha Brewer, 611 Line Drive, Kissimmee, FL 34744. State Directors must also confirm the entries of all teams from their respective states into this World Tournament through the USSSA website with an electronic "Letter of Transmittal." The deadline for confirming entries with the electronic "Letter of Transmittal" is Tuesday, September 11th. State Directors must also be sure that each team's frozen and approved roster is entered online at ussa.com. **THIS IS MANDATORY!**

TOURNAMENT ENTRY CONFIRMATION

Teams may confirm that they have been entered into the tournament by checking the USSSA website at www.ussa.com. If your team is not on the website by **Monday, September 17th at 3 PM EST**, **CALL YOUR STATE DIRECTOR IMMEDIATELY.**

ROSTERS

Each team's qualified frozen **and approved** roster must be posted on the USSSA website at www.ussa.com. Changes may only be made in accordance with USSSA eligibility rules in Article III, Section 9 of the Official USSSA By-Laws. Contact your State Director for assistance. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR OR USSSA NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS REGARDING ROSTER CHANGES!!!**

All players participating in adult USSSA tournament play shall have photo ID available. Failure to do so will result in Rule 4, Section 11, A5 in the USSSA Rule Book to be applied. The offending team loses the game, is ejected from the tournament, placed last in the standings and forfeits all awards, sponsors travel money and tournament berths that would have been awarded at the tournament.

Tournament Headquarters: Liberty Park, 33600 Mound Rd., Sterling Heights, MI 48310. (586) 978-9070, will be open Wednesday, September 19th, until the conclusion of the tournament. All information concerning this World Tournament will be posted at www.ussa.com. Please check in upon arrival so that we know you are here, where you are staying, and make sure all your papers are in order. For more information: call until 9:00 pm any day of the week at the above number. For information about field conditions call (586) 978-8311.

Bracket schedules **will not** be mailed out in advance. You may call Liberty Park at (586) 978-9070 beginning at 10:00am on Wednesday, September 19th, to find out when your team is unofficially scheduled to play. Brackets will be posted at www.ussa.com and www.miusssa.com after 3:00 PM on September 19th. **All teams must be available to play September 20th, Thursday by 10:00am. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

There will be a managers/official's reception and meeting at 8:30am on Thursday, September 20th, at Liberty Park/Dugout. Two representatives from each team will be permitted to attend this event. This meeting is not mandatory, but all teams should make every effort to have a representative in attendance. The official schedule for team play will be distributed at that time.

AWARDS:

- A. Championship Team Award
- B. Runner-up Team Award
- C. Outstanding Defensive Player
- D. Outstanding Offensive Player
- E. Most Valuable Player
- F. 15 All World Awards
- G. Manager of the Year

BALLS:

Your World Tournament host will provide USSSA Approved softballs for the entire championship.

TRAVEL MONEY:

The teams that have qualified through N.I.T.'s, and National Tournaments will receive their team travel money at the conclusion of their play in the World Tournament.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS:

All Men's Class "D" teams must wear similar uniforms. This includes same color and style jerseys, with or without the team sponsor's name. Long pants or shorts and leggings, when worn, must be similar on all team members. Caps are optional, however, when worn they must be alike.

NEW FOR 2007: In all programs non-duplicating numbers will be required at World Tournaments. The numbers must be a minimum of 3 inches in size and clearly visible.

IMPORTANT: Included in this packet is a list of area motels. Each team is responsible for their reservation. For an update of available lodging, you may contact the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau at (800)-94-METRO.

Admission will be \$5.00 per person, per day, or \$10.00 for a tournament pass. Children under (12) are free of charge, and seniors are half price. This charge includes everyone except players and team coaches. A maximum of 3 manager/coach passes will be issued.

TENTATIVE ITINERARY

September 20 – 8:00am ...Team check in and registration @ LIBERTY PARK

September 20 - 8:30am... Manager Meeting @ LIBERTY PARK

September 20 –10:00am... World Tournament Begins @ LIBERTY PARK

September 21 - 8:00am... World Tournament Continues @ LIBERTY PARK

September 22 - 8:00am... World Tournament Continues @ LIBERTY PARK

September 23 – 4:00pm... World Tournament Championship @ LIBERTY PARK

The eleven diamond complex of Liberty Park will host this year's event, with all games being held at one location. Liberty Park, offers 300-foot home run fences, covered player dugouts, batting cages, two concession stands, restrooms, and a 350 person air-conditioned bar/restaurant called the Dugout. All diamonds are lighted, have red sports clay infields with electronic scoreboards. There are over 800 parking spaces to easily accommodate your needs. The staff has over 18 years of experience in hosting tournaments, and has one of the finest maintenance and umpiring staffs in the country. Dedicated to safety and satisfaction, Liberty Park and the Michigan USSSA welcome you to Michigan.

NO CARRY-IN RULES will apply to all individuals entering the complex. State and local restrictions prohibit any person from bringing in alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, glass containers and/or coolers. Violators may be ejected and refused re-admission.

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED TRAVEL INFORMATION TO:

LIBERTY PARK OF AMERICA

33600 MOUND RD.

STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48310

PH#: 586-978-9070

FAX#: 586-978-8064

WEB SITE: www.libertyparkofamerica.com - www.miusssa.com

HOTEL LIST AND TRAVEL FORM CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES.

TRAVEL INFORMATION DATA

PLEASE FILL OUT THE TRAVEL INFORMATION DATA SHEET,
AND FAX OR MAIL IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO:

LIBERTY PARK OF AMERICA
33600 MOUND ROAD
STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48310
(586) 978-9070
(586) 978-8064 - fax

THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT AND SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED.

Name of Tournament: _____

Team Registration #: _____

Team Name: _____

From: _____
City State

Date of Arrival: _____

Estimate Time of Arrival: _____

Method of Travel: _____

Name of Hotel/Motel: _____

Number of Rooms: _____

Team Manager: _____

Phone#: () _____ () _____
HOME BUSINESS

() _____ () _____
PAGER CELL

Best Western Sterling Inn 34911 Van Dyke Sterling Heights, MI 48312	Kathleen Giffen 586-979-1167 kathlee@sterlinginn.com www.sterlinginn.com	Indoor Water Park \$89.00
Troy Courtyard by Marriott 1525 E. Maple Rd. Troy, MI 48083	Rachel Mirves 866-964-7767 rachel.mirves@marriott.com	\$84.00
Hampton Inn – Warren 7447 Convention Blvd. Warren, MI 48092	Mary Ann Robertson 586-977-7270 hamptoninnwarren@yahoo.com	\$82.00
Warren Courtyard by Marriott 30190 Van Dyke Ave Warren, MI 48093	Rachel Mirves 866-964-7767 rachel.mirves@marriott.com	\$79.00
Troy Marriott 200 W. Big Beaver Rd. Troy, MI 48084	Rachel Mirves 866-964-7767 rachel.mirves@marriott.com	\$94.00
Comfort Inn/Warren 7001 Convention Blvd. Warren, MI 48092	Tanya Vaskovskaya 586-268-9020 gm.mi289@choicehotels.com	\$75.00
Hampton Inn/Madison Heights 32420 Stephenson Hwy. Madison Hgts., MI 48071	Tonya Lewis 248-585-8881	\$89.00
Embassy Suites - Troy 850 Tower Dr. Troy, MI 48098	Markita Russell 248-879-6725 markitarussell@hilton.com	\$99.00
Holiday Inn/Troy 2537 Rochester Ct. Troy, MI 48083	Sales Manager 248-689-7500	\$79.00
Quality Inn & Suites– Warren 32035 Van Dyke Warren, MI 48093	Susan Asmar 586-264-0100 gm.mi135@choicehotels.com	\$59.00
Microtel Inn & Suites 20313 13 Mile Rd. Roseville, MI 48066	Jamie Copeland 586-415-1000 microtelroseville@yahoo.com	\$65.00
Warren Red Roof Inn 26300 Dequindre Rd. Warren, MI 48091	John Murray 248-398-0274 jmurray@redroof.com	\$57.99

PLEASE INFORM HOTELS THAT YOU ARE WITH USSSA EVENT!