



## 2008 USSSA MEN'S CLASS "C" WORLD TOURNAMENT

Congratulations on an outstanding season and welcome to the 2008 USSSA Men's Class "C" World Tournament. The tournament will be played at the beautiful Liberty Park of America Complex, September 18-21, 2008.

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 C World Tournament in a Men's C/D or Men's C National Invitational Tournament or in a Men's C 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 C 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 C 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 29<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for your team's \$300 entry fee to be received by your State Director (Exception: Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> 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 9<sup>th</sup>. State Directors must also be sure that each team's frozen and approved roster is entered online at [ussa.com](http://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](http://www.ussa.com). If your team is not on the website by **Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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 17<sup>th</sup>, until the conclusion of the tournament. All information concerning this World Tournament will be posted at [www.ussa.com](http://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 17<sup>th</sup>, to find out when your team is unofficially scheduled to play. Brackets will be posted at [www.ussa.com](http://www.ussa.com) and [www.miusssa.com](http://www.miusssa.com) after 3:00 PM on September 17<sup>th</sup>. **All teams must be available to play September 18<sup>th</sup>, Thursday by 6:00pm. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

There will be a managers/official's reception and meeting at 4:00pm on Thursday, September 18th, 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 "C" 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.

**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 \$12.00 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 18 - 3:00pm ...Team check in and registration @ LIBERTY PARK

September 18 - 4:00pm... Manager Meeting @ LIBERTY PARK

September 18 - 6:00pm... World Tournament Begins @ LIBERTY PARK

September 19 - 8:00am... World Tournament Continues @ LIBERTY PARK

September 20 - 8:00am... World Tournament Continues @ LIBERTY PARK

September 21 - 4:00pm... World Tournament Championship @ LIBERTY PARK

The eleven diamond complex of Liberty Park of America will host this year's event, with all games held at one location. Liberty Park offers 300 foot homerun fences, covered player dugouts, two concession stands, restrooms, a 350 seat air-conditioned restaurant/bar, two basketball courts and two sand volleyball courts. All diamonds are lighted, have red sports clay infields with electronic scoreboards. There are over 800 parking spaces to easily accommodate all events. You are prohibited from bringing food or beverages into the facility, excluding water. The staff at Liberty Park has over 20 years 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**

**EMAIL: [mark@libertyparkofamerica.com](mailto:mark@libertyparkofamerica.com), [gina@libertyparkofamerica.com](mailto:gina@libertyparkofamerica.com)**

**WEB SITES: [www.libertyparkofamerica.com](http://www.libertyparkofamerica.com) - [www.miusssa.com](http://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 <a href="mailto:kathleen@sterlinginn.com">kathleen@sterlinginn.com</a> <a href="http://www.sterlinginn.com">www.sterlinginn.com</a>	Indoor Water Park \$99.00
Troy Courtyard by Marriott 1525 E. Maple Rd. Troy, MI 48083	Rachel Mirves 866-964-7767 <a href="mailto:rachel.mirves@marriott.com">rachel.mirves@marriott.com</a>	\$84.00 \$74.00
Hampton Inn – Warren 7447 Convention Blvd. Warren, MI 48092	Mary Ann Robertson 586-977-7270 <a href="mailto:mary.robertson@hilton.com">mary.robertson@hilton.com</a>	\$89.00
Drury Inn & Suites/Troy 575 W. Big Beaver Troy, MI 48084	Jill Thomas 248-528-3330 <a href="mailto:jill.thomas@druryhotels.com">jill.thomas@druryhotels.com</a>	\$89.99
Troy Marriott 200 W. Big Beaver Rd. Troy, MI 48084	Rachel Mirves 866-964-7767 <a href="mailto:rachel.mirves@marriott.com">rachel.mirves@marriott.com</a>	\$99.00 Doubles
Fairfield Inn/Warren 7454 Convention Blvd. Warren, MI 48092	Erica Sword 586-939-1700 ext. 133 <a href="mailto:esword@amhospitality.us">esword@amhospitality.us</a>	\$69.00
Red Roof Inn/Madison Heights 32511 Concord Dr. Madison Hgts., MI 48071	John Murray 248-583-4700 <a href="mailto:jmurray@redroof.com">jmurray@redroof.com</a>	\$59.00
Red Roof Inn/Warren 23600 Dequindre Warren, MI 48091	John Murray 586-573-4300 <a href="mailto:jmurray@redroof.com">jmurray@redroof.com</a>	\$59.00
Holiday Inn/Troy 2537 Rochester Ct. Troy, MI 48083	Myra Van Doren 248-689-7500 <a href="mailto:myra.vandoren@transinns.com">myra.vandoren@transinns.com</a>	\$82.00
Courtyard by Marriott/Warren 30190 Van Dyke Ave. Warren, MI 48093	Rachel Mirves 866-964-7767 <a href="mailto:rachel.mirves@marriott.com">rachel.mirves@marriott.com</a>	\$89.00 Doubles

**PLEASE INFORM HOTELS THAT YOU ARE WITH USSSA EVENT!**