



**USSSA**

**MILITARY**

**WORLD TOURNAMENT**

AUGUST 14-17, 2008

DISNEY'S WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS  
OSCEOLA COUNTY SOFTBALL COMPLEX

KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA

2008 USSSA

**Men's Varsity A, Men's Varsity B, Men's Intramural & Women's Varsity**

**Military World Tournament**

**August 14-17, 2008**

**Disney's Wide World of Sports  
& Osceola Softball Complex  
Kissimmee, Florida**

**Congratulations! Your team has qualified to enter the 2008 USSSA Military World Tournament for Men's Varsity A, Men's Varsity B, Men's Intramural and Women's Varsity to be held at Disney's Wide World of Sports & Osceola Softball Complex, Kissimmee, Florida on August 14-17, 2008.**

**ENTRY DEADLINE**

**Monday August 4, 2008 is the deadline for receiving entries. All entries must be in Your State Director's possession by this date and to USSSA National Office (from your state director) by Friday August 8, 2008. NO ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS ENTRY FEE IS INCLUDED. For a listing of State Director's, their addresses, email, phone numbers, etc. go to [www.ussa.com](http://www.ussa.com) and click on USSSA Slow Pitch.**

**ENTRY FEE AND ENTRY FORM**

**All teams must abide by their local Tournament Qualification Rules as administered by their respective Director's in qualifying for a berth in this event. Your entry fee of \$300.00 must be in Your State Director's possession by the deadline date of August 4, 2008.**

**Enclose with entry form the following:**

- 1. Cashiers check or money order in the amount of \$300.00 made payable to USSSA. No entry will be accepted without the correct tournament fee included.**
- 2. Team roster signed by State Director. This roster must be the one that was submitted to your State Director when your team qualified for this championship. Failure to comply with this rule will result in your team's suspension from participation in this tournament.**
- 3. Completed 2008 Military World Tournament entry form.**

**ALL PLAYERS and COACHES MUST SIGN the *Disney's Wide World of Sports® Waiver Form*. You can find the waiver form at [ussa.com](http://ussa.com). Having the waivers filled out will streamline your team check-in time.**

**The complete entry package should be sent to Your State Director who will then forward the material along with a letter of transmittal to:**

Marsha Brewer  
USSSA National Office  
611 Line Drive  
Kissimmee, FL 34744  
321-697-3635

**\*\*\*Please forward a copy of Letter of Transmittal to 321-697-3647(Fax)**

#### **BRACKET SCHEDULING**

Tournament brackets will not be mailed or faxed in advance. Brackets will be online at USSSA.com after 5:00 pm on Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. **ALL TEAMS MUST BE AVAILABLE TO PLAY FRIDAY MORNING August 15, 2008.**

#### **CONDITIONS**

The tournament will be scheduled utilizing a double elimination format. Teams will be seeded according to the USSSA National Point Standings as of Sunday August 10, 2008. The Tournament Director reserves the right to change format i.e., location of fields, game times and dropping losers' bracket due to inclement weather or conditions. The conversion to single elimination or format changes would only occur at which point it would be mathematically impossible to complete the tournament on a double elimination basis. Upon entry into this tournament, all players, coaches, representatives and spectators accept full responsibility to themselves for any injury which may result from competing or any other accidents at the tournament. Tournament sponsors, USSSA Officials and representatives will not be liable for any accidents or injuries, which may occur. Entry into the tournament constitutes an agreement to the above conditions.

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 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. **Exception: If the loss incurred by the offending team was its first loss of the tournament and if the player(s) in question can subsequently furnish a valid photo ID prior to their next scheduled game, the offending team may remain in the tournament.**

#### **MANAGERS MEETING**

There will be a manager's meeting at 2:00pm on Thursday August 14, 2008 at *Disney's Wide World of Sports*. One representative from each team must be present, there will be no exceptions. This is an information Manager's meeting only.

#### **SANCTIONS**

All teams must be sanctioned with a Military sanction classification.

## UNIFORMS

*In accordance with the USSSA Slow Pitch By-Laws:*

All team members in *Men's Varsity A and Men's Varsity B* must wear similar uniforms. This includes same color and style jerseys, with or without the team or 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 the *Men's Intramural and Women's Varsity divisions*, teams must wear similar uniforms.

**\*\*\*Protests on uniforms will not be allowed. It shall be the Tournament Director's responsibility regarding uniform legality.**

Non-duplicating numbers are required. The numbers must be a minimum of 3 inches in size and clearly visible.

## AWARDS

TO BE DETERMINED

## SOFTBALLS

Softballs will be provided for this tournament.

## HOME RUN LIMITS

VARSITY "A"=8

VARSITY "B"=4

INTRAMURAL=2

## LODGING ACCOMODATIONS

See <http://www.ussa.com/ussa/ussa-general/ussasoftball2008.pdf> for lodging information.

## TOURNAMENT ADMISSION FEE

A tournament admission fee for this tournament will be \$11.75 per adult per day, \$9.00 per day for ages 3-9 or \$19.50 for an adult tournament pass and \$14.50 for a youth tournament pass.

## RULE 20. MILITARY PROGRAM

All players must have a Department of Defense Identification card.

A bonifide Men's Military team consists of Active Duty, Active Duty dependents, Reserves, ROTC, National Guard, retired Military personnel and Department of Defense civilians.

A bonifide Women's Military Team consists of Active Duty, Reserves, ROTC, National Guard, retired military and military

dependents 18 years or older and Department of Defense employees providing direct support to a military base. All players must have a government Identification card.

For teams participating in the Military World Tournament, players may participate in two divisions of play, Varsity "A" or "B" and their Intramural team. Intramural teams are limited to a maximum of 4 players from the Varsity Team roster. The 4 Varsity Players must be so indicated on their Intramural roster prior to playing the first tournament game. If during tournament play there is a conflict in games, the player must choose which team to play with. TDY personnel are eligible to compete in the World Tournament if the TDY assignment is 6 months or more in duration.

**Sec. 5** A team from one state may combine with only one other team from the same state. The players from the resulting team can be from only two installations and the resulting team must compete in the Varsity A Division.

An Intramural team is composed of eligible players, all assigned to the same installation, base, post, or ship which are able to participate in this installation's intramural program. All players assigned to one of the following levels of command:

- a. Air Force-Squadron or lower
- b. Army-Company or lower
- c. Navy-Command, Squadron or Unit of 1,000 or less
- d. Marine Corps-Division or lower
- e. Coast Guard-Group of 1,000 or less

In the Military program, a minimum of 9 players can start a Game. However, an out shall be declared when the tenth position in the lineup is scheduled to bat. A tenth player may be added to the tenth position any time before the end of the game. Any team that starts with 9 or 10 players may drop to the minimum of 9 players to finish the game. All vacant spot(s) in the lineup will be declared an out every time that lineup position is due to bat. If a player is ejected from the game for any reason, the ejected player's team must have a substitution available to replace the ejected player or that team will forfeit the game. If a team starts with 9 or 10 players, they are not allowed to add the eleventh player at a later time. Any player that leaves the game for any reason, may not return to the game. EXCEPTION: A player, who has left the game under the Blood Rule, may return.

## **TENTATIVE WEEKEND ITINERARY**

### **THURSDAY AUGUST 14**

**11:00 AM – 4:00 PM TEAM CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION**  
***DISNEY'S WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS***

**2:00 PM**                      **MANAGERS MEETING**  
***DISNEY'S WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS***

**TBD**                              **HOME RUN DERBY**  
***DISNEY'S WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS***

**TBD**                              **OPENING CEREMONIES**  
***DISNEY'S WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS***

### **FRIDAY AUGUST 15**

**8:00 AM**                      **TOURNAMENT BEGINS**

### **SATURDAY AUGUST 16**

**8:00 AM**                      **TOURNAMENT PLAY CONTINUES**

### **SUNDAY AUGUST 17**

**8:00 AM**                      **TOURNAMENT PLAY CONTINUES**  
**CONCLUSION**

*Updated itinerary available THURSDAY August 14, at Manager's Meeting, after number of teams is determined.*

**USSSA SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL  
MILITARY WORLD TOURNAMENT  
ENTRY FORM YEAR 2008**

**Check Appropriate Tournament:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Mens's Varsity "A" World Tournament

\_\_\_\_\_ Women's Varsity World Tournament

\_\_\_\_\_ Mens's Varsity "B" World Tournament

\_\_\_\_\_ Men's Intramural World Tournament

Name of Team: \_\_\_\_\_

From (City and State): \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Manager's Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager's Complete Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Season's Record: Won \_\_\_\_\_ Lost \_\_\_\_\_

Current Season's Championship Won: \_\_\_\_\_

Past National or World Titles Won: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Please attach any publicity data concerning Individual or team performances such as newspaper clippings, pictures, etc.

Enclosed is a check or money order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover our entry fee.

**Code of Understanding:**

1. This entry form, along with entry fee, must be submitted to your state director. Teams will not be allowed to forward entry forms directly to the World Tournament Director. In the event a State does not have a State Director, then this form must be submitted to your Division Vice-President. Entry forms will be returned, as unaccepted, to teams that fail to follow this procedure.
2. The World Tournament Director is under no obligation to accept an entry that arrived after the bracket is drawn.
3. All teams must be completely uniformed alike when competing in a World Tournament.
4. Any team that submits a bad check for payment of entry fee or motel bills will be subject to disbarment.
5. Any teams destroying property or involved in theft of motel property will be subject to disbarment.
6. My team stands ready to play on Friday morning if so scheduled.

I agree with above code of understanding.

**RELEASE**

I, the undersigned, manager of the team shown on this entry form hereby state that the team represented by its roster, is a voluntary participant in this tournament which is sanctioned by the United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA). In consideration of this acceptance of our application to participate in said tournament we do hereby release and forever discharge USSSA of and from all liabilities, claims, actions and possible causes of action whatsoever that may accrue to us or to our heirs from every and any loss and injury including death that may be sustained by our person or property while, in about, or route into and away from said tournament. AND WHEREAS, the undersigned is aware of the dangerous nature of our undertaking as it relates to loss of life and/or limb; therefore, it is agreed as follows: That in consideration of being allowed to participate in said tournament, the undersigned team through its manager hereby voluntarily assumes all risks from accident or damage to person or property and hereby releases the USSSA from every claim, liability, or demand of any kind for on an account of any personal injury or damage of any kind sustained or caused by the negligence of the USSSA, its sponsors or otherwise.

I have read and understand the foregoing release and code of understanding.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Team Manager) Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET

**PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM**

(It is extremely important that the following information be filled out completely. This is how we contact your team if there are any changes to the tournament.)

**TEAM NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM LOCATION(City)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(State)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Motel/Condo:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of rooms booked:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of nights:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name rooms are reserved under:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of people in your group:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Method of travel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Expected arrival date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mileage of travel:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Forward this information to:**

**Fax 321-697-3647**