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USSSA Black American World Tournament

Congratulations on an outstanding season and welcome to the **2011 USSSA Black American World Tournament**. The tournament will be played in Tallahassee, FL, August 26-28, 2011. **The 2011 Black American World Tournament will only accept the first 184 teams entered into this double elimination tournament.** For more information on our city and this tournament please see:

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DIVISIONS OF PLAY

- Black American Men's Competitive Division
- Black American Men's Recreation Division
- Black American Women's Competitive Division
- Black American Women's Recreation Division

All divisions will be participating in these facilities-Messer Park (Host), Tom Brown Park and Springsax Park.

QUALIFYING

Teams must participate in at least two USSSA Black American qualifying tournaments to be eligible for the USSSA Black American World Tournament. In the event there are not any qualifying tournaments in your area, a team may request to play in the Black American World Tournament after playing in three USSSA sanctioned events. Teams must play in their respective Black American State Tournament if one is offered. Any exceptions will have to be approved by the Black American National Director.

ENTRY

A completed Entry Form, a copy of your on-line roster, and the entry fee of \$350.00 must be sent to your Black American State Director, Open state Director or to the World Tournament Director by August 20th, 2010. All Certified Checks and Money Orders must be made payable to:

USSSA Black American Softball
P.O. Box 6531
Tallahassee, FL 32301

ROSTERS & WAIVER FORMS

Each team's qualified frozen and approved roster must be posted on the USSSA website at www.USSSA.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!





On-line registration to the World Tournament will be available at www.ussa.com. Credit cards will be accepted using this method of registration. Personal checks will not be accepted. However, if you registered on line it is the responsibility of the team manager, coach, and/ or sponsor to forward all necessary paperwork to the appropriate officials. A listing of State Directors and their addresses, e-mail, and phone numbers, may be found at www.ussa.com.

PAID BERTHS

Teams that have won paid berths still have to forward the necessary paperwork to the appropriate officials by the tournament entry deadline.

CONDITIONS

The tournament will be scheduled utilizing a double elimination format. The National Director/Committee reserves the right to change the format i.e., locations of fields, game times and dropping of loser's bracket due to inclement weather or conditions. The conversion to single elimination or format changes would only occur at the point where it would be mathematically impossible to complete the tournament on Sunday on a double elimination basis. Upon entry into this tournament, all players, coaches, representatives, and spectators accept full responsibility to themselves for any injuries which may result from competing or any accidents at the tournament. Tournament sponsors, USSSA Officials, Umpires, and facility representatives will not be liable for any accidents or injuries which may occur. Entry into the tournament constitutes an agreement to the conditions above.

IDENTIFICATION

All players participating in adult USSSA tournament play shall have photo ID available. Failure to do so will result in *Rule 4, Sec. 11-A 4-5* of 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, sponsor travel money, and tournament berths that would have been awarded at the tournament.

- **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.
- **EXCEPTION:** It is solely the responsibility of the individual players to prove their ethnic orientation. A notarized letter is acceptable proof.

Tournament Headquarters: James Messer Sports Complex Information concerning the World Tournament will be posted at www.ussa.com. Please check in upon arrival so that we know you are there, where you are staying, and make sure all your papers are in order. Check in will be held Thursday, August 25, 4:00- 8:00pm and.

Your team cannot play until your team has checked in and registered.

Bracket schedules will not be mailed out in advance. You must go to www.ussa.com to find out when your team is unofficially scheduled to begin play, Tuesday, August 23, 2011. All teams must be available to play Friday, August 26, 2011 at 12:00 pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**



There will be a manager's meeting at 7:00 pm at the Holiday Inn Conference Center, Thursday, August 25. All teams are required to have a representative in attendance. The official schedule for teams playing will be distributed at that time.

THERE WILL BE A HOME RUN HITTING CONTEST FOR MEN AND WOMEN WITH GREAT PRIZES, FRIDAY AUGUST 26 AT 7 PM AT MESSER PARK.

PARKING

Tournament parking passes can be purchased for \$10.00 for the weekend or \$8.00 per day.

Each team is allowed one (1) cooler for water, drinks and fruit for the team dugout.

Tournament Balls

Each team will be given Six (6) balls to start the tournament. Additional ball can be purchase for \$5.00 each.

UNIFORMS

The USSSA uniform code will be enforced. Teams should wear similar uniforms. Caps are optional; however, when worn, they must be worn properly. **Uniform violations are not grounds for protest for 2011 but USSSA Uniform Code will be strictly enforced in 2012 Article V, Sec. 6. h - Violation of the uniform rule will result in the violator being allowed to conform or be removed from game.**

Travel Money: No Travel money will be awarded at this event.

Hotel Reservations:

Refer to the Hotel Information sheet in this package. Excellent room rates have been negotiated for teams. Please identify yourself as a USSSA World Tournament team when you make a reservation.

Tentative Itinerary:

Thursday, August 25, 2011

Check in will be held Thursday, August 25, 4:00- 8:00pm at the Holiday Inn Conference Center - **Your team cannot play until your team has checked in and registered.**

7:00 pm Manager's Meeting at Holiday Inn Conference Center (Teams that were not able to check in Thursday must check in at the Complex they are scheduled to play their first game at. Directors will be available for Check In at all Complexes at 12noon, August 26

Friday, August 26, 2011

12:00 pm World Tournament Play Begins

Saturday, August 27, 2011

8:00 am World Tournament Play Continues

Sunday, August 28, 2011

8:00 am World Tournament Play Continues

TBA World Tournament Championship Game & Awards Presentation

AWARDS PER DIVISION

16 USSSA World Championship Rings

Championship Team Awards-Team Trophy, 16 Embroidered World
Tournament Championship Jackets, 16 Championship T-Shirts

Runner-Up Team Awards –Team Trophy, 16 Embroidered World
Tournament Jackets, 16 World Tournament T-Shirts

Third Place Team Awards - Team Trophy, 16 USSSA World Tournament
Pullovers, 16 World Tournament T-Shirts

Fourth Place Team Awards - Team Trophy, 16 USSSA World
Tournament Pullovers, 16 World Tournament T-Shirts

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

Outstanding Offensive Award – BAM Dri-fit Shirt, Fielder’s Glove, TPS
Bat

Outstanding Defensive Award- BAM Dri-fit Shirt, Fielder’s Glove, TPS
Bat

Most Valuable Player Award – Easton MVP Package, BAM Dri-fit Shirt,
Fielder’s Glove, TPS Bat

11 All World Tournament Awards

Manager of the Year

AWARDS VALUED OVER \$5,000 PER DIVISION

PARKS

James Messer Park – 2899 Jackson Bluff Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 891-5336

Tom Brown Park –1125 Eastwood Dr, Tallahassee, FL 32311
(850) 891 -3960

Springsax Park – 1000 Springsax Dr, Tallahassee, FL 32304
(850) 891-3955

**USSSA BLACK AMERICAN WORLD TOURNAMENT
ENTRY FORM YEAR 2011**

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|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Competitive | <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Recreational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Competitive | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Recreation |

Name of Team: _____

Team Registration #: _____

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 _____

Past National or World Titles Won:

Release and Code of Understanding

1. This entry form, along with the entry fee, must be submitted to your Black American or Open Sate Director.
2. Teams will not be allowed to forward entry forms directly to the World Tournament Director.
3. The World Tournament Director is under no obligation to accept an entry that arrived after the bracket is drawn.
4. All teams must be completely uniformed alike when competing in a World Tournament.
5. Any team that submits a bad check for payment of entry fee or motel bills will be subject to disbarment.
6. Any team destroying property or involved in theft of property will be subject to disbarment.
7. My team stands ready to play on Friday Morning if so scheduled.

I agree with above code of understanding. 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 in-route to and 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 _____

PRINTED NAME _____ DATE: _____

TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET
BLACK AMERICAN WORLD TOURNAMENT

Men's Competitive Men's Recreational
 Women's Competitive Women's Recreational

PLEASE FILL OUT THE TRAVEL INFORMATION DATA SHEET AND MAIL IT
IMMEDIATELY TO:

USSSA BLACK AMERICAN PROGRAM
TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS
P.O. Box 6531
Tallahassee, FL 32301

***THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT DOCUMENT AND MUST NOT BE
OVERLOOKED. YOUR TEAM WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO THE
TOURNAMENT IF THIS FORM IS NOT RECEIVED BY USSSA WORLD
TOURNAMENT OFFICE!***

Name of Team: _____ REG # _____

From: - _____
(City) _____ (State) _____

Date of Arrival: _____ Estimated Time of Arrival _____ (AM/PM)

Method of Travel: _____

NAME OF HOTEL _____

(See Enclosed List And Be Specific!) _____

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY
(Mandatory): _____

Number of Rooms _____ Number of Nights _____

If a Rental Home or Condo, Number of Bedrooms _____

Reservations Under –
Name(s) _____

THIS INFORMATION WILL BE CONFIRMED WITH YOUR CHOICE OF HOST HOTEL

Team Manager _____

Manager's Complete Mailing Address: _____

_____ Zip: _____

Email _____ Cell Phone Number _____



Welcome to Tallahassee, Florida
2011 USSSA BLACK AMERICAN WORLDS
SLOW PITCH CHAMPIONSHIP

For more information on our city and this
tournament please see:

VisitTallahassee.com/USSSA

Here you will be able to find
Hotel Rates, Restaurants, Attractions, Nightlife and Special
Discounts while you are here. We look forward to seeing
you this year. If you have any questions please contact us.

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Host Hotels

| Hotels | Rate | Code |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Host Hotel: Holiday Inn 2725 Graves Road Tallahassee, FL 32303 (850) 536-2005 | \$99.00 | USSSA Black American Softball Reservations by: 8/13/2011 |
| Comfort Inn 2727 Graves Road Tallahassee, FL 32303 (850) 562-7200 | \$65.00 | USSSA Black American Softball Reservations by: 8/13/2011 |
| Days Inn 2714 Graves Road Tallahassee, FL (850) 562-2000 | \$55.00 | USSSA Black American Softball Reservations by: 8/13/2011 |
| Candlewood Suites 2815 W Lakeshore Drive Tallahassee, FL (850) 597-7000 | \$59.00 | UWS Reservations by: 8/13/2011 |
| Holiday Inn - Capital East 1355 Apalachee Parkway Tallahassee, Florida 32301 (850) 877-3171 WWW.HICAPITOLEAST.COM | \$79.00 | USSSA Reservations by: 8/15/2011 |
| Aloft Premier Hotel 200 North Monroe Tallahassee, FL (850) 513-0316 www.alofttallahassee.com | \$79.00 | USSSA Black American Softball Reservations by: 8/13/2011 |

Cabot Lodge
1653 Raymond Diehl Road
Tallahassee, FL
(850) 386-7500
www.cabotlodgethomasvilleroad.com/

\$70.00

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8/13/2011

Wingate Hotel
2516 W Lakeshore Dr
Tallahassee, FL 32312
(850) 553-4400

\$74.00

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8/13/2011

Team reservations must be confirmed by August 12,2011 to receive these rates. Additional Hotels may be found at :

VisitTallahassee.com/USSSA

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