



# **SPA**

## ***SALUTE TO VETERANS & TRIPLE CROWN QUALIFIER***

**MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> – APRIL 2<sup>RD</sup> 2017**

**Veterans Park 3101 Harvey Road – College Station, TX**

<b>80+, 75+, 70+, 65+</b>	<b>March 30<sup>TH</sup> – April 1<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>5 game minimum</b>	<b>\$495.00</b>
<b>60+</b>	<b>March 31<sup>ST</sup> - April 1<sup>ST</sup></b>	<b>5 game minimum</b>	<b>\$495.00</b>
<b>50+, 55+</b>	<b>April 1<sup>ST</sup> – 2<sup>ND</sup></b>	<b>4 game minimum</b>	<b>\$475.00</b>

### **ENTRY DEADLINE**

**Thursday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Champion in each Major Plus/Major division receives berth to Triple Crown Championships in Dalton, GA. July 20<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>. Champion in each “AAA” & “AA” division receives berth to Triple Crown Championships in Dalton, GA. September. Berths will be passed down to runner up if Champion declines to accept the berth.**

## **TOURNAMENT FORMAT:**

### **Men's 60+- 80+:**

- **3 game pool play into double elimination bracket.**
- **Double Elimination can be broken down into Gold and Silver divisions depending on the number of teams.**

### **Men 50+ - 55+:**

- **2 game pool play into double elimination.**
- **Double Elimination can be broken down into Platinum, Gold and Silver divisions depending on the number of teams.**

**POOL PLAY:** Games will be played with the 5 run per inning rule. The Home Run rule will be two (2) with no "one up" (WALK) for all divisions.

**TIME LIMITS:** Pool Play: One (1) hour. Finish that inning plus one more inning.  
Bracket Play is: 1 hour and 15 minute time limit plus one more inning.  
Championship game will be played with no time limit.

**RUN RULE:** 20 Runs after 4 innings or 15 Runs after 5 innings.

### **SEEDING PROCESS:**

The tournament has the authorization to place teams in each division based upon the overall strength and skill of the team, using the following criteria as a guideline:

- **Win – Loss Record**
- **Head to head results (applies only when all teams play one another)**
- **Runs Allowed**
- **Run Differential**
- **Total Runs Scored**
- **Flip a Coin**

The stronger teams will be placed in the Platinum and Gold Divisions.

- **5 Runs per inning. Last declared inning open.**
- **Platinum division = 4 Home Runs – walk and/or 1 up.**
- **Gold division = 3 Home Runs and an out.**

### **SILVER DIVISION**

The weaker teams will be placed in the Silver Division.

- **5 Runs per inning. Last declared inning open.**
- **1 Home Run – Out**

### **Five or Less Teams**

If a tournament has five or less teams in an age division, the following rules will apply.

- **All pool play games will be played by the Gold Rules.**

- After pool play the tournament director may use either the Platinum, Gold or Silver Rule to play the Double Elimination Tournament. This will be decided by the caliber of teams. NOTE: When classifications are combined into single brackets, the lower classification runs per inning rules and the upper classification homerun rules will apply.

The Tournament Director(s) will review all the game scores along with their personal observation of the team's performance in pool play. Based on this information, they will decide on what options to use in the tournament. This will be based on the quality of teams that are participating in the tournament.

**RULES:** S.P.A. 2017 Rule Book All SPA rules will apply.



**BALLS:** .44 COR 375 Compression (6 balls given each team in the 50, 55, and 60 plus divisions, balls will be provided in all other divisions by tournament director); additional balls available for purchase 1/2 DZ for \$25 and 1 DZ for \$50.00.

**BATS:** All bats must have a factory manufactured stamp of 1.21 BPF or less.  
Bats will be checked prior to each game.  
Illegal bats will be confiscated and held until the end of the tournament.

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- SPA Cards: SPA I.D. CARDS WILL BE CHECKED. All players participating in this tournament **must** have a current SPA player's card. You **CAN NOT REGISTER** for a player's card at the tournament. Player registration forms can be downloaded from the SPA website at [www.softballspa.com](http://www.softballspa.com). A player may also renew an expired card online.

**TEAM REGISTRATION:**

- All teams **must** be registered with SPA. Team registration forms can be downloaded from the SPA website or you can register your team on-line.

**ROSTERS:** All rosters must be submitted on-line with SPA Fourteen (14) days prior to entry into any SPA event. ([www.softballspa.com](http://www.softballspa.com)). March 16<sup>th</sup> is the date all rosters must be entered into the system.

**PLAYER CHECK-IN:**

- All players **must check-in and show their SPA Card and Driver's License** to receive a wrist band. This wrist band is required to be worn during the tournament. The purpose of this rule is to ensure all players are legal and have checked in. All players must have a SPA Card & Driver's License. (Manager's remind your players to bring their SPA Card & Driver's License to player check-in).

**MANAGERS MEETING:** Managers report to Veterans Park Complex at 8 am the morning of their first day of play to discuss any rule changes, get game balls and have all tournament questions answered.

**PARK ADDRESS:** Veterans Park  
1705 Lee Ave. SW  
College Station, TX 77845



**HOTEL INFORMATION:**

**HOST HOTEL: Baymont College Station** (979)680-3000 Rate is **\$85.00** plus 15.75% tax for Single or Double. Rate for Suite is \$ plus 15.75% tax. Reservation **cut-off date is March 15<sup>th</sup>**. Hotel address is 2611 Harvey Road, College Station, TX 77845  
**Free Hot Continental Breakfast. Reference SPA Salute to Veterans NIT**

**EXECUTIVE INN & SUITES** (979) 260-9150

901 East University Drive  
College Station, TX 77840

Hotel reservation **cutoff date is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

Rate: **\$79.99** Plus tax for single or double. Reference SPA Salute to Veterans NIT

**Best western Premier Old Town Center Rate is \$110.00 plus 15.75% tax.**To get this rate, guests should call the Front Desk at 979-731-5300 (Press 3) and reference the group name. **Reservation cut-off date is March 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Hotel is located at 1920 Austin's Colony, Bryan, TX 77802  
**Reference SPA Salute to Veterans NIT**

**LaQuinta Inn & Suites \$89.00 plus tax 979-696-7777**

607 Texas Ave

College Station, TX 77840

**Rooms must be booked by March 8<sup>th</sup> 2017**

**Reference SPA Salute to Veterans NIT**

**NOTE:** Ask hotel about their pet and/or smoking policies, as they vary by hotel.

**SPA SALUTE TO VETERANS**

**2017 TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM – Roster must be on-line prior to this tournament.**

<b>Team age division</b>	<b>50+</b>	<b>55+</b>	<b>60+</b>	<b>65+</b>	<b>70+</b>	<b>75+</b>	<b>80+</b>
<b>Team Name:</b>							<b>SPA Team Registration #</b>
<b>Manager's Name:</b>							<b>email address</b>
<b>Home address:</b>	<b>cell phone #</b>						<b>Home phone #</b>
<b>City, State, Zip</b>	<b>Day phone #</b>						<b>FAX number</b>
<b>Hotel information</b>						<b>Date</b>	

<b>Manager Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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**DEADLINE**  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>**

- Men 60+ - 80+ \$495.00 \* Men 50+ - 55+ 475.00 \*

**TEAM CHECK LIST**

- **Completed Team Entry Form**
- **Entry Fee: \$495.00 – 60+, 65+, 70+, 75+, 80+**
- **Entry Fee: \$475.00 – 50+, 55+**
- **All Teams must be S.P.A. registered**
- **All players must have their S.P.A. Player's Card & Driver's License**
- **Rosters must be entered online by March 16<sup>th</sup> 2017.**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE: SPA (405)376-7034 SOFTBALLSPA.NET**

**MAIL ENTRY TO:**

**SPA**

**P.O. BOX 1307**

**Mustang, OK 73064**



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## 2017 Veterans and Active Duty Members

**PLEASE EMAIL OR FAX TO NATIONAL OFFICE BY:**

**March 16 2017**

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

TOURNAMENT: SALUTE TO VETERANS DATE: MARCH 30-APRIL 22017

Players Name: _____	Branch of Service: _____	Yrs. served _____/_____
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*TO GOD BE THE GLORY!*