

SOFTBALL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION "A Fun & Rewarding Place To Play" P.O. Box 1307 Mustang, OK 73064 (405)376-7034 Telephone



SPA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS Men's 75 – 80+ "AAA/MAJOR/MAJOR PLUS" September 10th, 11th, 12^{th &}13th 2017 DALTON, GA

Tournament Format – Five (5) Game Minimum

- All Teams begin play on Sunday, September 10th
- Three (3) Games in Round Robin/Pool Play
- Minimum of Two (2) Games in Double Elimination

S.P.A. Sanctioned Tournament

- All S.P.A. rules apply in these World Championships.
- All teams must be S.P.A. registered and have a S.P.A. team sanction number.
- All players must be S.P.A. registered a minimum of 30 days prior to the start of the World Championships. <u>No Players will be allowed to participate in the World</u> Championship without a current S.P.A. Players card.

Softball Complexes

• Heritage Park – 1275 Cross Plains Trail. Dalton, GA

Field Conditions: The Tournament Committee reserves the right to change any game time, playing fields, or dates, or make any other changes to conduct the tournament.

Team Roster & Entry Fee

- The following items must be sent to the **S.P.A.** National Headquarters: Team's Official Roster, (**On-Line Roster – ONLY – NO EXCEPTIONS!**) (with completed S.P.A. Player Card numbers)
- Official Team Entry Form & SPA Team Registration Number
- Entry Fee to the S.P.A. National Championships is \$675
- Entry fee payment: Check or online <u>www.softballspa.com</u>

Entry Fee Deadline: All entries must be "received" by S.P.A. <u>No later than August 28,</u> 2017. Do not be late! It is the responsibility of the team manager to insure that their entry fee has been received prior to the entry fee deadline. Do not assume that your entry fee has been received by S.P.A. A team manager who fails to receive a notice receipt within a reasonable time will need to contact S.P.A to insure your team is in the National Tournament. Mail to S.P.A

S.F.A P.O. Box 1307 Mustang, OK 73064

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Refund Policy

No entry fees will be returned after the entry deadline August 28th. No Exceptions!

<u>Softballs</u>

Official S.P.A. balls will be used 44 Core. 375 Compression

<u>Bats</u>

- All bats must have a factory/manufactured stamp of 1.21 BPF or less.
- All bats will be checked prior to each tournament game.
- Any illegal or altered bats will be confiscated for the duration of the tournament. Any player caught using an altered bat will be ejected from the game and possibly the tournament. The player may face additional suspensions based upon the violation.

Home Run Rule

AAA:	3 Home Runs & Out
Major:	4 Home Runs 1 Up and a walk
Major Plus:	7 Home Runs 1 Up and a walk

Run Limits Per Inning

AAA:5 Run LimitMajor:7 Run LimitMajor Plus:9 Run Limit

Note: All Divisions; Last Inning unlimited runs.

Game Times

The time limit in Pool Play/Round Robin play is 1 Hour (Finishing that inning) plus one additional inning.

The time limit in Bracket Play is 75 minutes (Finishing that inning) plus one additional inning. Championship Games will be played with **NO TIME LIMIT!** Game time is "FORFEIT" Time.

Run Rule

20 Runs after 4 innings, 15 after 5 innings.

Special Tournament Awards Package

Team Awards: $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ Place Awards. Individuals: $1^{st} \& 2^{nd}$ Place

All-American Team

All-American Team Awards

Player ID & Check-in

- The Manager is responsible for checking their team's player's cards. Be sure the player's card is current and up to date! **Do not put your team at risk by not checking!**
- Players will not be allowed to play without being S.P.A. registered or if they have an **expired card!**
- Players are required to have their **S.P.A. Player card** and **Drivers license** available at the park.
- Players will have their S.P.A. card checked at the tournament. Players will receive a wrist band at check-in to be eligible to participate. This wrist band must be worn the duration of the tournament.
- Check in as a team.
- Players will sign the roster when they check in.

Protests

- Regular protest fee of \$75 cash must be posted at the time of the protest.
- Player Eligibility Protest: The fee is \$75 per player protest.
- If the protest is ruled in favor, your money will be returned.
- Bat protest fee is \$450 (Non refundable) at the time of the bat protest.

The Tournament Directors, sponsors, and hosts assume that all players are competing at their own risk, and will not be liable for any accidents or injuries. Entry into the tournament constitutes agreement to these conditions.

SPA reserves the right to classify/re-classify a team at any time including the World Championships.

Tournament Event Schedule

<u>Sunday – September 10th 2017</u>

8:00am – 9:00 am Managers Meeting

- The meeting will be conducted **TBD**
- All team managers or a representative are required to attend this meeting.

- 9:30am Opening Ceremonies.
- All Teams begin Pool Play Games after opening ceremonies

Tuesday – September 11th

9:00am – 5:00 pm – Pool Play continues and Double Elimination Games begin

Wednesday – September 12th

9:00am – 5:00: pm – Double Elimination Games continue

Thursday – September 13th

9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Tournament Championship Games

All teams flying in for the tournament should schedule their returning flights after 6:00pm Thursday to avoid conflict with their Championship game.

MOTEL LIST FOR 75 & 80 WORLD TOURNAMENT IN DALTON GEORGIA SEPTEMBER 10TH THRU 13TH

Softball Players Association

2017 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS DALTON, GA HOTEL/MOTEL INFORMATION

Hampton Inn (HOST HOTEL) 1000 Market Street 706-226-4333 / 800-HAMPTON Exit 333 / Walnut Ave \$99.00 plus tax

Courtyard by Marriott 785- College Drive 706-275-7215 Exit 333 \$99.00 plus tax

La Quinta Inn & Suites 715 College Drive 706-272-9099 / 800-228-1000 \$ plus tax Exit 333

Country Inn & Suites 903 Westbridge Road 706-278-9700 Exit 333 Walnut Ave \$99.00 plus tax

Days Inn 1518 West Walnut Avenue 706-278-0850 \$ plus

Red Roof Inn 1529 W Walnut Avenue Exit 333 706-226-1100 \$67.99 plus tax

Super 8 on Market ST 911 Market Street Exit 333 706-275-0100 \$59.99 plus tax



SOFTBALL PLAYERS ASSOCIATION SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM ENTRY FORM



(Please Circle)			
Men's			
Age Division & Team Classification	a: 75+ AAA, 75+ Major, 80+ AAA, 80+ Major	75+ Major Plus	
Team Name:	S.P.A. Team Sancti	S.P.A. Team Sanction #	
List Qualifying Tournament Locati	ons: (minimum 1)		
1	2		
Manager Name:			
Address:			
City	State	Zip Code	
Telephone #: Residence	Cell		
Business:	Fax		
E-mail Address:			
Hotel	Telephone #		
Number of Hotel Rooms			
	n Check List		
1. Mail in completed Team Entry For			
2. Submitted ON-LINE ROSTER NO		A moust 20th	
3. Mail in entry fee (Please make che Mail to: SPA OR	on-line: <u>www.softball.c</u>		
P.O. Box 1307	Team Entry Fee: \$675		
Mustang, OK 73064			
Telephone: (405)376-7034	FAX (405)376-7035		

Players will not be allowed to play in the Championships if they are not SPA registered or have an expired card! Players will not be allowed to register at the event!