



USSSA Black American World Tournament

Congratulations on an outstanding season and welcome to the **2010 USSSA Black American World Tournament**. The tournament will be played in Birmingham, Alabama, September 17-19, 2010. **The 2010 Black American World Tournament will only accept the first 184 teams entered into this double elimination tournament.**

DIVISIONS OF PLAY

- Black American Men's Major Division
- Black American Men's Competitive Division
- Black American Men's Recreation Division
- Black American Women's Competitive Division
- Black American Women's Recreation Division
- Black American Men's 50 and Over Division (No Rings) **EXHIBITION**

All divisions will be participating in these facilities-Green Springs (Host), Library Park, Jasper, Spain Park, Central City, Ensley, Black Creek Park, New Covenant Church, Leeds and Alabaster.

QUALIFYING

Teams will have to participate in at least three 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 must play in at least three USSSA open tournaments. Any exceptions will have to be approved by the Black American National Director.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

A completed Entry Form, a copy of your online roster, and the entry fee of \$325.00 must be sent to your Black American State Director, Open State Director or to the World Tournament Director by August 27th, 2010. ALL Certified Checks and Money Orders must be made payable to:

Sports Management, LLC
P.O. Box 1905
Birmingham, AL 35219

Personal checks will not be accepted.

Online registration to the World Tournament will be available at www.ussa.com. Credit cards will be accepted using this method of registration. However, if you register online 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.

TOURNAMENT ENTRY CONFIRMATION

Teams may confirm they have been entered into the tournament by checking the USSSA website at www.USSSA.com. If your team is not on the website by Friday, September 6, 2010 at Noon EST, **CALL YOUR STATE DIRECTOR IMMEDIATELY.**

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 USSSA tournament play shall have photo ID available in accordance with the USSSA Rule Book. All players participating in adult USSSA tournament play shall have photo ID available. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a forfeit, allowing **Rule 4, Sec. 11-A 4-5** 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, 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.
- **EXCEPTION:** It is solely the responsibility of the individual players to prove their ethnic orientation. A notarized letter is acceptable proof.

Tournament Headquarters: Green Springs Park. 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, September 16th, 4:00- 8:00pm and Friday, September 17th, 08:00am-12:00pm at the Sheraton Birmingham, 2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. N., Birmingham, Alabama. **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, September 14th 2010. All teams must be available to play Friday, September 17th at 12:00 pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

There will be a manager's meeting at 7:00 pm at the Sheraton Birmingham, Thursday, September 16th. 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 SEPTEMBER 17TH AT 10:00AM AT GREENSPRINGS PARK.**

PARKING

Tournament parking passes can be purchased for \$8.00 for the weekend or \$5.00 per day.

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

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

UNIFORMS

In accordance with the USSSA Slow Pitch By-Laws, teams must wear similar uniforms. This includes the same color and style jerseys, with or without the team sponsor's name. Long pants and/or shorts may be worn. Leggings, when worn, must be similar on all team members. Caps are optional; however, when worn, they must be similar. Non-duplicating numbers will be required. The numbers must be a minimum of 3 inches in size and clearly visible. See Article V, Sec. 8c.

Uniform violations are not grounds for protest.

Travel Money:

VERY IMPORTANT! To be eligible to receive the travel money, your team ***MUST BOOK THE ENTIRE TEAM*** at one of the hotels that appear on the Hotel Information Sheet ***THROUGH THE HOTEL SALES MANAGER, NOT THROUGH THE INTERNET.***

The entire team party must stay at one of the Host Hotels for the entire length of the event – NO EXCEPTIONS! **THIS IS MANDATORY IF YOU WISH TO RECEIVE ANY TRAVEL MONEY YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR!**

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, September 16, 2010

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7:00 pm Thursday, September 16, 2010 Manager's Meeting at Sheraton Birmingham, 2101 Richard Arrington Jr. Blvd. N., Birmingham, Alabama

Friday, September 17, 2010 10:00
am Home Run contest Greenspring
Park

Friday, September 17, 2010
12:00 pm World Tournament Play Begins

Saturday, September 18, 2010
8:00 am World Tournament Play Continues

Sunday, September 20, 2009
8:00 am World Tournament Play Continues
TBA World Tournament Championship Game & Awards Presentation

AWARDS PER DIVISION

1. Championship Team Award
2. Runner-Up Team Award
3. Third Place Team Award
4. Fourth Place Team Award
5. Fifth Place Team Award
6. Individual Awards to each member of the 1st – 3rd place teams
7. Outstanding Offensive Award
8. Outstanding Defensive Award
9. Most Valuable Player Award (AL White Award in Men's Major)
10. 15 All World Awards
11. Manager of the Year

USSSA WORLD TOURNAMENT
Entry Form Year 2010
Black American World Tournament

- Men's Major
 Men's Competitive
 Men's Recreational

- Women's Competitive
 Women's Recreational
 Men's 50 & Over

Name of Team: _____

Team _____ Payment _____

Registration #: _____ Confirmation # _____

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: _____

Release and Code of Understanding

1. This entry form must be completed and submitted to the National Office..
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 or has a chargeback on a credit card for payment of entry fee and/r 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. 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: _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND FAX:
USSSA TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS
256-852-7847

TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET
2010 Black American World Tournament

- Men's Major
- Men's Competitive
- Men's Recreational

- Women's Competitive
- Women's Recreational
- Men's 50 & Over

PLEASE FILL OUT THE TRAVEL INFORMATION SHEET AND FAX or EMAIL IT IMMEDIATELY
TO:

USSSA TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS
256-852-7847

***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 NATIONAL OFFICE!***

Name of Team: _____ Reg # _____

From: _____
(City) (State)

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

Method of Travel: _____

NAME OF HOTEL/CONDO OR SUBDIVISION OF RENTAL HOME
(See Enclosed List AND Be Specific!)

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY
(Mandatory): _____

Number of Rooms/Condos/Homes Booked _____ 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 _____

Email Address _____

Cell Phone Number _____

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HOST HOTEL LISTING

SHERATON

2101 Richard Arrington Jr Blvd North
Birmingham, AL 35203
205-324-5000
Sheraton.com/Birmingham
Code USSSA (must use)
(\$85.00 plus tax)

Medical Center Inn

800 11th Street South
Birmingham, AL 35205
1-866-933-1900
Contact: Diane Lee\
(\$59.00 plus tax)

Comfort Inn

226 Summit Parkway
Birmingham, AL 35209
205-916-0464
Code: US Specialty Sports ASSN
(\$75.00 plus tax)

Quality Inn

155 Vulcan Road
Homewood, AL 35209
205-945-8600
Code: USSSA Black American Softball Tournament
(\$59.99 plus tax)

Howard Johnson

275 Oxmoor Road
Birmingham, AL 35209
205-942-0919
Code G/SMER/BAWT (must Use)
(\$54.00 plus tax)