

Frequently Asked Questions

What is USSSA?

United States Specialty Sports Association

Why AZ USSSA Fast Pitch?

AZ USSSA Fast Pitch provides quality events for Fast pitch teams throughout the area. USSSA will provide another avenue of opportunity for teams to compete at championship level events locally, regionally, and nationally. The opportunity for teams to compete successfully will be offered for competitive as well as recreational teams. The program will strive to meet the needs and desires of Fast pitch teams in Arizona.

How do I enter a tournament?

You must first register your team online. Your registration will run from August 1st through July 31st. You must enter your roster online. Then you must send all tournament entry fees to the director running the event, by the deadline OR enter on line at www.ussa.com. Keep in mind that many events will close early and it is best to enter as early as possible. Always send an email to the tournament director letting them know that you have mailed entry, roster and are checking the status of the tournament.

When will Brackets be posted?

Brackets are usually posted on the Tuesday evening before the tournament. Changes could be made up to Friday before the tournament.

What is the refund policy?

Once brackets are posted, there are no refunds given, unless cancellation of the tournament. If there is a waiting list available, once the replacement team has paid, a refund will be made.

How do I qualify to play in the USSSA AZ State Championship Games?

All teams are welcome to participate in the State Tournament, no qualifying necessary.

How do I qualify to play in a USSSA World Series Tournament?

The berth awarding process will be as follows;

-Top two teams in every tournament will be awarded a berth no matter the number of teams participating. If there are 12 or more teams in a division, 4 berths will be awarded.

-Berths will be handed down if top finishing teams already have been awarded a berth.

-At-large berths will be available to teams that have participated in a minimum of 3 USSSA events in the season prior to the World Series. The awarding of these berths will be done by the State Office.

All teams receiving a berth and planning to attend the World Series MUST participate in the State Tournament.

When a berth is awarded a team can choose to use the berth wherever they are age/division eligible. Teams can always play up. For example: a 12U registered team winning a berth in a local 14U event can go to the 12U World Series, 14U B World Series, 14U A World Series or any other higher age division. Just because they won the berth at 14U does not mean they must play 14U.

All World Series entries are processed through the State Office and deadlines must be adhered to.

Entry Deadlines and Entry Guarantees?

A team may call or email to be penciled in on the list for the event, however, entry is not guaranteed. An entry is only guaranteed when payment is received in full. This payment must be received prior to the posted deadline date and is subject to space availability at the time of receipt. Some events will sell out prior to the posted deadline.

On-line Entry?

A team must enter on-line at www.ussa.com. There are two types of on-line entry, paid and non-paid. A non-paid on-line entry does not guarantee entry into the tournament, it is simply penciling you into the list. A paid on-line entry guarantees a team's spot. All entries are subject to space availability at the time of receipt.

Rain Outs?

A full refund will be given or payment moved to a future event, if the tournament is completely cancelled and cannot be played. If a tournament finishes Pool Play and is then stopped or stops during Pool Play managers will be given the option of rescheduling or given a prorated refund. If the tournament is called during the Bracket Play the Director hosting the event will make a decision on how to end the tournament. Please call the Tournament Director's mobile if you are concerned about the rain. Determination of Tournaments being called off is made by the City Park Director not the USSSA Director hosting the tournament.