



USSSA SLOW PITCH NATIONAL BY-LAWS

NOTE: Use of the word “he” in this publication is intended to include both the masculine and feminine genders unless otherwise noted.

ARTICLE I - ORGANIZATION

“USSSA Slow Pitch Softball” shall be a sports division of the United States Specialty Sports Association and shall be governed by the By-Laws of the United States Specialty Sports Association, By-Laws of USSSA Slow Pitch Softball, the USSSA Slow Pitch Softball Rule Book, Directives, and Policies as issued from the Association’s National Headquarters.

ARTICLE II - TEAM ELIGIBILITY

Sec. 1. This Association shall be for amateur Slow Pitch players to compete as a team under an adopted set of administrative rules and playing rules.

Sec. 2. No team shall be allowed to compete in USSSA sanctioned leagues or tournaments without paying their national and state team registration fees to the Association.

Sec. 3. A team must be composed of not more than 20 eligible players. Coaches or managers must be included in the 20 in order to be eligible to play. Program Directors can submit a request to the National Slow Pitch Committee requesting rosters be expanded to 25 eligible players. Requests must be submitted prior to the National Convention.

Sec. 4. When a member of a team is called into the military, he may be replaced by any other eligible player. Players returning from active military service may be added to a team’s eligible roster, provided the number of eligible players on the team’s roster does not exceed the total number allowed at any one time.

Sec. 5. The cut-off date for adding players to a team roster shall be in accordance with rules set forth in these By-Laws.

Sec. 6. All teams that wish to compete in out-of-state tournaments sanctioned by the USSSA must register and be classified by their home State Director.

Tournament Directors in violation of this rule shall be subject to sanction by the Association and the tournament which violated this rule shall not be considered sanctioned by the Association and the awarding of any advancement berth may not be honored.

Sec. 7. Male team rosters shall include only male players and female team rosters shall include only female players.

Sec 8. All playing rules incorporated into the Adult Program shall automatically be extended to include specialty programs of that gender.