



**2008 NSA HISPANIC WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIP
VICTORY LANE SPORTS PARK
PHOENIX, ARIZONA
SEPTEMBER 19-21**



Congratulations on an outstanding season and ARIZONA NSA welcomes you to the 2008 NSA Hispanic World Championship. This prestigious event will be held September 19-21, 2008 in Phoenix, Arizona.

- Victory Lane Sports Park

DIVISIONS OF PLAY:

- Hispanic Men's Competitive Division
- Hispanic Men's Recreation Division
- Hispanic Women's Competitive Division (*minimum of 8 teams*)
- Hispanic Women's Recreation Division
- Hispanic Mixed Competitive Division (*minimum of 8 teams*)
- Hispanic Mixed Recreation Division (*minimum of 8 teams*)

Dependant on the number of teams, the Women and Mixed may be combined into one division (Competitive). For the Mixed program we anticipate being able to avoid most scheduling conflicts with men's and women's games, but are **NOT** guaranteeing **NO conflicts.**

ENTRY PROCEDURE - TEAMS:

Each State and Division has varying qualifying requirements for attending the Hispanic World Tournament, so all entries **MUST** be made through your respective State Director. **NO** entries will be accepted directly from a team for this event. To contact your State Director to verify qualification requirements, please visit www.playnsa.com and click on the "State Director" link. You must meet all requirements as defined by your Director. **All required paperwork and the \$300 entry fee must be to your State Director no later than Monday, AUGUST 25th, 2008.**

ENTRY PROCEDURE – STATE DIRECTORS:

All entry forms and applicable fees must be in hand with ARIZONA NSA no later than **Wednesday, September 10th. Forward to: ARIZONA NSA Attention: David Blake, P.O. Box 8881 Surprise, Arizona, 85374.** State Directors are also expected to confirm all entries from their respective states into this Regional Tournament.

Tournament Entry Confirmation:

Teams may confirm they have been entered into the tournament by checking the ARIZONA NSA website at www.aznsasoftball.com. If your team is not on the website list by **Sunday, September 14th,** you should immediately contact your State Director.

ROSTERS:

All qualified frozen rosters must be approved by their State Director and posted at www.playnsa.com. Authorized changes must comply with the NSA eligibility rules as outlined in Article III of the NSA By-Laws. Roster changes must go through your respective State Director. **DO NOT CALL THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR FOR ASSISTANCE WITH ROSTER CHANGES OR ADDITIONS!!** Players participating in the tournament shall have acceptable forms of identification available at all times.

CONDITIONS:

The tournament will be scheduled utilizing a 4-game guarantee format. The Tournament Director/Committee reserves the right to change the format i.e., locations of fields, game times and dropping of losers 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, NSA Officials and representatives will not be liable for accidents or injuries which may occur. Entry into the tournament constitutes an agreement to the above conditions.

GAME TIMES:

Bracket schedules **WILL NOT** be mailed out in advance. You may check the website at www.aznsasoftball.com to find out when your team is unofficially scheduled to play beginning **Tuesday, September 16th**. There will be a manager's/officials meeting **Friday, September 19th, 2008** at Native New Yorker in the Westgate Plaza, 7273 N. 95th Ave. (Across from University of Phoenix Stadium). Check-in will begin at 5:00 PM. Two representatives from each team will be permitted to attend. All teams should have a representative in attendance. The **OFFICIAL** schedule, tournament rules and information will be distributed at that time.

AWARDS:

Championship Team Award
Runner-Up Team Award
Third Place Team Award
Fourth Place Team Award
Fifth Place Team Award (64 or more teams)
Individual Awards to each member of the 1st –4th place teams (if 48 or more teams)
Most Valuable Player Award
Outstanding Offensive Award
Outstanding Defensive Award
15 All-World Awards

BALLS:

This tournament will be played using a 44/400 ball. ARIZONA NSA will provide NSA approved softballs for the entire event. Miken is the official ball for the Hispanic Championships.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS:

All teams must wear similar uniforms. Non-duplicating numbers on all jerseys are required. The numbers must be a minimum of 3 inches in size and clearly visible. Rule 3, Section 6 of the NSA rule book outlines all uniform requirements.

HISPANIC PROGRAM RULES:

Classifications of Hispanic softball divisions:

a. Divisions

Open Division – 4 Home runs with the one – up rule.

Class C Division – 2 Home runs with the one – up rule.

Class D Division – 1 Home run with any additional home run will be scored as an out.

Class E Division – 0 Home Runs with the Progressive Home Run Penalty.

NOTE: See Rule 5, Sec. 10, of the Official Slow Pitch Rules for explanation of home run rules.

b. Hispanic rosters are allowed four (4) non-Hispanic players, three of which may play at a time.

TENTATIVE ITINERARY: (Subject to change based on number of teams)

Friday, September 19, 2008 5 PM - Team check in at Native New Yorker

Friday, September 19, 2008 6 PM - Manager's Meeting (2 per team) at Native New Yorker

Saturday, September 20, 2008 7 AM Hispanic World Tournament begins

Sunday, September 21, 2008 7 AM Hispanic World Tournament continues

Sunday, September 21, 2008 7 PM World Tournament tentatively concludes

ADMISSION:

Players, coaches and managers participating in the Hispanic World Championship will not be charged a gate fee. Each player will be issued a wristband that should be worn at all times. Replacement bands may be purchased for \$20. Fees for spectators are listed below:

- Tournament Pass \$15 for the entire weekend
- Day Pass \$8 for each day

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ENTRY FORM

Forward to your State Director

(Underline one)

- ? Hispanic Men's Competitive
- ? Hispanic Men's Recreation
- ? Women's Competitive
- ? Women's Recreation
- ? Mixed Competitive
- ? Mixed Recreation

- Please complete a separate form for each team entering

NAME OF TEAM (as registered with NSA) _____
OFFICIAL NSA **HISPANIC** REGISTRATION NUMBER _____
CITY & STATE TEAM IS FROM _____
MANAGER'S NAME _____
MAILING ADDRESS _____
Email Address _____
MGR. HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____
TEAM SPONSORED BY _____

Enclosed is a cashier's check or money order in the amount of \$300.00 for entry fee made payable to NSA. Entry fees must be sent to your respective State Director.

Signed _____
Team manager

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TRAVEL INFORMATION

Forward to Tournament Headquarters

NAME OF TEAM _____ DIVISION _____
REGISTRATION NUMBER _____
CITY AND STATE _____
MANAGER'S NAME _____
MGR ADDRESS _____
HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____
Email ADDRESS _____
DATE OF ARRIVAL _____ TIME OF ARRIVAL _____
NAME OF HOTEL TEAM WILL BE STAYING: _____
OF ROOMS _____
TRAVELING BY _____
NUMBER TRAVELING _____
MANAGER'S SIGNATURE _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SHEET AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS:

ARIZONA NSA
PO Box 8881
Surprise, Arizona 85374

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- David Blake @ (623) 433-3650 x02 or e-mail: dblake@aznsasoftball.com
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