



2019 Conference Package & Schedule

Welcome to the 2019 Conference USSSA sponsored by Dudley.

Enclosed you will find a Conference USSSA Information sheet detailing what the Conference membership includes as well as the 2019 Tentative Conference Schedule, the Team Commitment form and Team Insurance program information.

Please ***Read This Information Thoroughly*** as there have been changes to the program for 2019. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Strojan Kennison, Andy Purcell, or Laurie Timmons.

Once you have completed the entry form and team insurance form, please return them along with the applicable fees, in order to secure your place in the 2019 Conference USSSA. You may also include a Tentative Tournament Schedule if you have determined that as well. As a reminder, due to extremely high demand, Conference team membership may be limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first serve basis based on receipt of Conference entry fee.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Donny

Donny DeDonatis III
CEO



2019 USSSA Slow Pitch Conference Entry Form

By signing this entry form, I am obligating my team to participate in the Slow Pitch Conference and agree to abide by all the terms of being a Conference USSSA team. I am also enclosing the \$6500 entry fee or a deposit of \$3500. The entry fee includes mandatory team insurance. **The balance of the entry fee is due no later than April 30th, 2019. If balance is not paid by the set date the team will be removed from Conference USSSA.**

_____ Yes, I understand and agree to all the terms listed and my team will participate in the USSSA Slow Pitch Conference 2019.

Team Name and State: _____

Team Classification: TBD once roster has been received

Team Manager and/or Point of Contact (please list 2):

Name Email Cell Phone #

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Team Statistician: _____
Email Cell Phone #

RETURN FORMS AND PAYMENT IMMEDIATELY TO:

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2019 Men's Conference USSSA Schedule

March 29-31	9th Sin City Major	Las Vegas, NV
April 5-7	13th Annual Space City Classic	Houston, TX
April 11-14	Hall of Fame Classic Dual	Viera, FL
April 18-21	EASTER WEEKEND	
April 26-28	41st Cajun Classic	Carencro, LA
May 3-5	Frank Webb Memorial	Bridgeton, MO
May 10-12	Pure Sports Battle At The Beach Major	Myrtle Beach, SC
May 17-19	19th Annual Texas Legends	Eules, TX
May 24-26	Kut4 Sports Atlanta Major	Atlanta, GA
May 24-26	Rocky Mountain Shootout	Loveland, CO
May 31 - June 2	Windy City Classic	Carol Stream, IL
June 7-9	Bash On The Chesapeake	Glenn Burnie, MD
June 14-16	37th Annual Dudley	Brooklyn Center, MN
June 21-23	Sooner Invitational	Tulsa, OK
June 27-30	Easton Dual I & II	Kent, WA
July 5-7	Busch Classic	Little Rock, AR
July 12-14	The 51st Smoky	Maryville, TN
July 19-21	20th Annual Cincy Major	Cincinnati, OH
July 26-28	Rose City Major by Smash It Sports	Portland, OR
Aug 2-4	7th Annual Columbus B.A.T.S Major	Columbus, OH
August 9-11	Louisville Slugger/DeMarini Classic	Charlotte, NC

Player Classification policy and point system: To help us with classifying each team in the Conference, players are rated by points.

For Example:

A player on the Major Player list will have a point value of 1.25

A player on the Watch List will have a point value of .75

The total point value **guideline** below should be used in trying to determine your classification. Keep in mind that this is only a guideline and the classification of each team will be determined by the Conference USSSA Classification Committee.

Major - Unlimited

AA - 9 points

A - 3.5 points

B - 1.5 points

C - No points

There will be a new rule for AA. 9 roster points max but for the season you can only have 11 points. All roster moves and swaps have to be approved. Meaning if you have 9 and drop a 1.25 and pick up a 1.25 you still have 9 points but for the year you have 10.25 so you only have 0.75 left to swap out for the rest of the year.

To assist you in determining your classification, the current Major Player list and Watch list are available on the USSSA website at <http://web.ussa.com/ussa/ussa-general/MajorPlayerList1.htm> To appeal placement, a player must email Dale Weiser at Dale.Weiser@ussa.com.

This should eliminate the confusion of team classification throughout the year and make for even better parity amongst teams at our World Tournaments.

2019 Schedule. There will be only two (2) Dual events this year, Viera, Florida and Kent, Washington. There will be two (2) Conference Tournaments designated "Special Point" events and they are Minnesota and Seattle - Base 180 + 4 points per conference team entered.

The World Tournament dates for 2019 are:

Men's A – August 30-Sept 1

Men's AA – September 14-15

Men's Major – September 18-22

Men's C – September 12-15

Men's B – September 19-22



Conference USSSA 2019 Membership Information Based on 32 Teams

Each Conference Team is Eligible For:

- Entry fees for 6 Conference Tournaments
- Conference Championships
- World Tournament participation:
 - Conference AA teams receive a paid berth to the USSSA Men's AA World Tournament.
 - Conference "A" teams receive a paid berth to both the USSSA Men's A World Tournament and the Men's AA World Tournament.
 - Conference "B" teams receive a paid berth to the USSSA Men's AA, A & B World Tournaments.
- Classification determined by Conference Committee
- Locked rosters to protect your team and players
- Dudley Softballs & Bat Testing at EVERY Conference Tournament
- Premier Umpires
- Select Conference Tournaments Broadcast on USSSA Live or equivalent.
- Conference Awards and participation in Men's Major World Series Home Run Derby
- AA, A, & B teams MUST play in their respective World Tournament to participate in the Men's Major World Series
- A teams playing in the A World Tournament can't participate in the Conference Championships

USSSA Conference Championship

After the completion of the last regular season CUSSSA tournament, the top 24 teams by Conference points qualify for the Conference Championships at Space Coast Complex in Viera, FL.

- The top 8 teams, regardless of class determined by points, will be invited to the Conference Championship Bracket. Those 8 teams must play in this event to validate their Major World Series berth.
- The next 16 teams, regardless of class, will be invited to play in the Men's Conference Championship Bracket. The highest finishing 9-24 will win \$1000.
- Top 24 qualified teams who participate in the Conference Championships will receive \$1500 for hotel rooms in Brevard County.
- Participation in Conference Championships will give teams the opportunity to earn additional points toward seeding in USSSA Men's Major World Series based on the bracket they are competing in and their finish. Teams seeded 1-16 competing in the Championship Bracket can be seeded lower than 8th in the USSSA Men's Major World Series. Teams Seeded 1-16 can change with each other based on finish at the Conference Championships.
- The 17-24 seeds can not jump the 16th seed to be placed into Major World Series.
- Teams seeded below an A team cannot jump over an A team playing in their A World Tournament.
- HD coverage of Conference Championship by USSSA Live
- Awards Dinner and Ceremony

USSSA Men's Major World Series

Top 16 Conference teams regardless of class determined by points earn a paid berth to the Men's Major World Series at USSSA Space Coast Stadium Complex. Each team will receive \$3000 for hotel rooms in Brevard County at the Major World Series.

USSSA Men's AA World Tournament

Conference teams placing in the top 24 classified as "AA" will receive \$2500 for hotel rooms in Brevard County at the USSSA Men's AA Tournament in September.

USSSA Men's A World Tournament

Conference teams placing in the top 24 classified as "A" will receive \$2500 for hotel rooms in Brevard County at the USSSA Men's A Tournament on Labor Day Weekend.

USSSA Men's B World Tournament

Conference teams placing in the top 24 classified as "B" will receive \$2500 for hotel rooms in Brevard County at the USSSA Men's B Tournament in September.