

MINNESOTA SPORTS FEDERATION

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November 21, 2022

TO: Potential Qualifier Hosts
FR: Perry Coonce
Minnesota Sports Federation
RE: MSF Youth Baseball Qualifiers

The MSF is currently making preparations for the 2023 youth baseball season. We are ready to schedule this season's MSF Qualifiers. **The 2023 MSF State Tournaments will be held July 21-23.**

As always, the MSF will not be charging associations, teams, coaches, or players additional membership or insurance fees to participate in MSF Qualifiers. To participate in an MSF Qualifier, you will only be required to pay the tournament entry fee to the host of the specific Qualifier. **The fee for hosting an MSF Qualifier in 2023 is \$35 per tournament age & class awarded.** For each qualifier awarded, two state tournament berths are provided in that age/class.

Teams must qualify for the 35th Annual MSF Baseball State Championships by finishing first or second* at MSF Qualifier Tournaments. See the MSF Baseball Program Guide (available in Spring) for eligibility requirements, tournament rules, a list of MSF Qualifiers, and an "At-Large Application."

*If the 1st and/or 2nd place teams have already qualified, or if they are an all-star team or not from Minnesota, the 3rd place team and then 4th place team will be offered berth(s).

As a service to youth baseball enthusiasts, the Minnesota Sports Federation is once again compiling an extensive list of youth baseball tournaments throughout the area. The MSF Youth Baseball Calendar will be published on our website, www.msf1.org, in the baseball section after the qualifier application deadline.

Attached you will find the 2023 Fillable Qualifier Application to make your tournament a 2023 MSF Qualifier. You may also find it at <http://www.msf1.org> in a fillable fashion in the right hand column on the Youth Baseball Page. **Please read carefully and pay close attention to deadline dates.** A copy of your tournament flyer or link to it should be attached with your Qualifier Application in PDF format and sent to perry@msf1.org.

Sincerely,

Perry Coonce

P.S. - From time to time, openings exist to host an MSF State Tournament. If your association is interested, please email perry@msf1.org.

Attached is an order form to purchase used game balls from MSF State Tournament play at a low, low cost. Most of the balls have only been used for one game.



2023 MSF STATE QUALIFIER APPLICATION



(reproduction permitted)
This form is a fillable PDF format and also available by clicking [HERE](#).

Tournament Name _____ Association _____

I would like these divisions to be considered for MSF State Qualifier Status:

Check All Divisions That Apply:

____ 10AAA ____ 10AA ____ 11AAA ____ 11AA ____ 12AAA ____ 12AA
____ 13AAA ____ 13AA ____ 14AAA ____ 14AA ____ 15AAA ____ 15AA

Tournament Dates _____
(please specify which divisions of play are on which dates; use a separate page or multiple forms if necessary)

Qualifier Entry Fee \$ _____ Number of Guaranteed Games _____

Tournament Contact _____ Shirt Size _____

Mailing Address **(NO P.O. BOXES)** _____
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City/State/Zip _____ Phone (list what is to be published) (C) _____

Email _____

Tournaments selected as MSF State Qualifiers shall be invoiced a \$35 fee per tournament age/class awarded. Each qualifier receives two state berths per age and class awarded.

Note: All Qualifiers must use MSF playing rules, unless an exception has been granted by the MSF in advance of obtaining qualifier status. The exception must be communicated to the participating teams in advance of their entry. If you have questions, please call MSF Offices.

This nominal fee per tournament age/class will help cover the expenses associated with sending pertinent information and supplies to hosts and the advertising provided on the MSF website. Selected tournaments will be billed \$35 for each MSF Qualifier awarded (i.e. 10AAA, 12AAA, 12AA = \$105). **It is not necessary to send money with this application, but the per tournament fee MUST be paid at least 10 days after receipt of invoice. If this fee is not received at least 10 days prior to the qualifier tournament, state tournament berths will not be awarded.**

Please attach a copy of your tournament flyer with this application, or email a PDF copy to perry@msf1.org. Emailed applications should be sent to perry@msf1.org. We will link tournament flyers to the online tournament calendar.

MSF State Qualifiers may not be conducted before April 7 or after July 4, 2023. This form must be received by **Monday, January 2, 2023** in order to be considered for MSF Qualifier status. The tournament director will be contacted by January 27th, or sooner, if their tournament is **NOT** designated as a MSF State Qualifier.

Tournament Director's Statement

I hereby certify that the information supplied above is accurate and permission is granted to publish this information in the MSF Baseball Tournament Calendar. I understand that if tournament information changes, it is my responsibility to immediately notify the MSF so the Tournament Calendar may be updated.

I understand that no tournament is guaranteed MSF Qualifier status.

Director's Signature _____ Date _____

**Return to: MSF Baseball • 118 12th Ave N. • South St. Paul, MN 55075
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The MSF would like to share tournament information with as many youth baseball enthusiasts as possible. Please help us to spread the word about the MSF Tournament Calendar. Thank you!