

**NATIONAL SOFTBALL FEDERATION OF AMERICA
MINNESOTA SPORTS FEDERATION**
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TO: Softball Team Managers
FR: National Softball Federation
RE: **2023 NSF-MSF Men's & Women's State/North American Championships**

Dear Team Manager:

We hope this note finds you looking forward to or enjoying the summer softball season.

We enjoyed hosting many teams in state/national tournament play last year and look forward to hosting you again this summer in the **NSF-MSF State/North American Championships on August 18-20 in Cambridge, Minnesota.**

All men's teams and women's from Minnesota or from out of state may enter direct. Teams will receive at least three games with many receiving four, five, six or more. Dependent on the number of teams entered, teams may be broken into tiers from pool or bracket play. Note: some classes may initially be combined and then re-split for championship flight play. **The State/National Tournament entry fee is just \$295, which is about half the cost of other national events, all the while providing generous cash prizes no one else provides!!! (NOTE: The entry fee for member league teams entered by their league director is just \$215.00).**

We will endeavor to use all info available to avoid very high caliber teams playing very low caliber teams, especially once brackets separate.

Teams must play as an intact team during the summer of 2023, but need not play in an NSF-MSF member league. Other organizations' teams will be accepted in their correct class. The TOC will continue to serve as the NSF-MSF Women's Slowpitch State Championships in 2023 and for the first time, will also serve as the Men's Slowpitch State Championships.

This year, in an effort to increase the tournament's geographical reach, teams from Minnesota will receive a \$75 referral rebate on their own entry fee for recruiting a team from outside the state of Minnesota to participate. Rebates will be received upon tournament participation. **Additionally, cash prizes will be awarded to the top teams. See flyer on reverse for details.**

Cambridge, Minnesota is located just one hour north of the Twin Cities with easy freeway access. Sandquist Family Park has some of the finest fields in the state and the area has many of the amenities of a big city while maintaining its small town friendly atmosphere.

The host hotels for the event are Grandstay Hotel & Suites (minutes from the ballpark) and the new Best Western Plus in Isanti. Make reservations at least three weeks before the tournament please! Both hotels are catering to weddings that weekend too, so reserve early if you want to stay there! For very reasonable camping rates, contact Sheriff (former) Ken Harder at (763) 689-2555. Ken is the caretaker of the Isanti County Fairgrounds, located 1 mile from the ballpark. This is a very nice campground which includes all the amenities.

Should questions arise please email perry@msf1.org.

We look forward to hosting your team this year!

Perry Coonce
MN State Commissioner

Duke Weisbrod
Tournament Manager

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"WE TREAT THE AMATEUR LIKE A PRO"



NSF-MSF Slowpitch Tournament of Champions/State North American Championships

August 18 - 20, 2023 • Cambridge, MN

3 Game Guarantee • \$295

Visit www.msf1.org for all tournament details

Tournament Host

Cambridge is located one hour north of the Twin Cities. It features some of the finest fields in the state of Minnesota and boasts all the food choices normally found in a larger city while maintaining its small town atmosphere!

Registration and Eligibility

- Registration deadline is August 15, 2023
- Registration on first come/first served basis for all MN teams and teams outside Minnesota, including Canada and other foreign countries. Teams need not play in an NSF-MSF member league or the NSF-MSF State Tournament to enter
- No team membership fee required
- Roster limit of 20. Five pick-ups from same class or lower are allowed.
- **NOTE:** 2023 Tournament of Champions/North American Championships will once again be combined with NSF-MSF Women's State Tournament, Class C/DD Men's State Tournament and for the first time D/E Men's Slowpitch State Tournament.



Rules and Details

- Three games guaranteed with many getting four, five or six games.
- Classes of Play: A, B, C, DD, D, E. **NOTE:** Classes may be combined for initial pool or bracket play and then re-split in tiers for championship flight.
- Tournament management reserves the right to move a team up.
- NSF rules utilized. All teams receive NSF rulebook upon entry.
- NSF rules similar to others except 12' arc, 65' bases, courtesy runner and 6' pitcher step back rule.
- Official ball is 52/300 for men and 52/300 for women and each team receives six balls when they check in and must shag their own balls. Additional softballs may be purchased.
- Umpires NSF certified.
- Swag bag for each manager.

Awards

- Team/individual plaques to first place team in all divisions. Second and third place teams receive team plaque.
- Championship Team Banner.

CASH PAYOUTS

\$3,250 in Men's
\$3,250 in Women's

*Cash payouts based on minimum 36 total teams

2023 NSF-MSF Slowpitch Tournament of Champions/North American Championships Registration Form

Team Name _____ Softball Community _____

Team Manager _____ Address _____

City/State/Country _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (Cell) _____ Alternate Phone (H/W) _____

Email Address _____

Circle Division: Men's Circle Class: A B C D E

Circle Division: Women's Circle Class: A B C DD D E



Send entry form and \$295 to:
NSF • 118 12th Ave N • South St. Paul, MN 55075
Enter online with credit card at www.msf1.org

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