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2017 MEN'S MICHIGAN GRAND SLAM TOURNAMENT SERIES

26th Annual Season

GOLD & SILVER/BRONZE - Overall Grand Slam Champion RINGS

REMINDER – ALL players must get an individual player sanction number (FREE) to be on any NSA roster – This is a one-time player registration and will be a **lifetime number** for all players.

PLUS Build your team based on individual player point values.

ALL Michigan Teams wanting to participate in TOURNAMENT PLAY must sanction online as a Tournament Team. League sanctions will NOT be accepted for Tournament Play.

2017 NSA Team Registration fee is \$25 and must be completed online.

NO 'GUEST PLAYERS'

Allowed in Michigan Men's NSA GRAND SLAM Tournaments.

EQUALIZER RULE

Equalizer will be used in combo tournaments: Gold/Silver, Gold/Silver/Bronze & Silver/Bronze
Lower class team will be spotted 3 runs per Upper class they are playing in each individual game.

| Classes | Elite | Gold | Silver | Bronze |
|-----------|-------|------|--------|--------|
| Elite vs | Even | 3 | 6 | 9 |
| Gold vs | | Even | 3 | 6 |
| Silver vs | | | even | 3 |

Elite/Gold/Silver DIRECTOR'S CUP SERIES Information:

Visit: www.nsadirectorcup.com

Men's GRAND SLAM SERIES Divisions:

Men's "GOLD" * Men's SILVER/BRONZE"**

The Grand Slam Tournament Series, is a series of Tournaments your team can play in.
Each Tournament is a WORLD SERIES and SUPER REGIONAL QUALIFIER.

Men's Grand Slam Entry Fees:

Entry Deadlines for Grand Slams: 5:00 PM on WEDNESDAY prior to the tournament date.

Discounts offered to teams that pay 1 full week in advance - by FRIDAY, one week prior to the tournament date.

Men's Grand Slam Gold, Silver & Bronze - \$225

DISCOUNT of \$25 (\$200) if paid one week prior to the tournament entry date.

Michigan Adult Teams can PAY for selected tournaments ONLINE by Charge.

Teams can also pay for their NSA registration fee ONLINE by charge.

Teams can enter tournaments online and Mail payments, but must meet all deadlines.

Certain tournaments will still require an official NSA Post Season Entry Form and are marked as such.

To pay online by charge: www.NSANorth.com Click on: Michigan and select SP PAY ONLINE by CHARGE

Accepted Charge Cards: **Visa - MasterCard - Discover Card**

2017 UMPIRE FEES:

Tournaments with Elite or Gold Teams will pay \$15 per game per team at field at game time.

Gold/Silver Tournaments- Teams will pay \$15 per game per team at field at game time.

SILVER, BRONZE, Women's and COED – Teams will pay \$13 per game per team at field at game time.

Hit your own Ball!

Teams supply NSA Approved Optic Yellow Black Stitch

ALL NSA will use the 52/275

Defensive team and/or Umpire must be able to identify the Manufacturers core rating or the ball can be removed from play. Offensive Team: Puts ball in play at the beginning of EACH inning. Offensive Team:

Replaces the ball each time the ball is hit out of play.

Balls will be sold at each site or see "Softball Prices" for team pricing.

GRAND SLAM AWARDS - Men's Division

Men's Grand Slam – Gold, Silver & Bronze (Single Class Tournaments)

| PLACES | CA\$H Payout | World Series - TRAVEL MONEY |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1st Place | \$15 | \$35 |
| 2nd Place | \$10 | \$20 |
| 3rd Place | | \$10 |

Men's **Grand Slam** Combo Tournaments: Gold/Silver & Silver/Bronze

| PLACES | CA\$H Payouts | World Series - TRAVEL MONEY |
|--|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 st Place | \$15 | \$25 |
| 2 nd Place | \$10 | \$15 |
| Top Lower Team – If no lower team in tournament then Cash/Travel goes to 3 rd place | | |
| | \$10 | \$15 |

NOTE: For Any "Equalizer" Tournaments the awards payout will be on www.playnsa.com when signing up for the tournament.

Complexes / Directors – Will supply ALL Awards and they will be required to submit what they will be awarding and posted on website.

Elite/Gold/Silver Director's Cup Series Information:

Visit: www.nsadirectorcup.com

2017 Men's "OVERALL" GRAND SLAM NEW 1st – 5th AWARDS

******* GRAND SLAM CHAMPIONSHIP RINGS *******

Gold and Silver/Bronze - Divisions

1st Place Overall Champions can get Twelve (12) Grand Slam Rings -OR- 2018 Grand Slam Membership (Worth approximately \$2000)

2nd – 5th Awards given and will be posted based on the number of teams playing during the year in Grand Slam Tournaments.

Teams must participate in a minimum of 8 NSA Tournaments to be eligible for Overall Grand Slam Awards. Tournaments INCLUDE Grand Slam, NIT, East/West States, Super States, Super Regional, World and Super World.

AWARDS given at the 2017 Michigan NSA/BPA State Awards & Hall of Fame Banquet 12/2/17 in Lansing, MI.

2017 STATE BONUS POINTS

Bonus points are State Bonus points and only good for seeding in East/West States, Super State Championships and for overall Grand Slam Awards.

ALL East/West State & Super State Championships will be seeded by the National Points PLUS the State Bonus points by the deadline date for the Individual State & Super State Championships.

| TOURNAMENT TYPE | STATE BONUS POINTS |
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| Bonus Points below are for ALL Gold, Silver & Bronze Teams towards Overall Grand Slam | |
| Director's Cup Series - Bonus Points | Play 3 Michigan Director's Cup tournaments get 250 Bonus Points and 250 Bonus points for each tournament past 3. |
| Director's Cup Championships | ALL Teams Double Director's Cup Points |
| Grand Slam Lower Teams Bonus for playing up in classification Gold/Silver/Bronze in Elite/Gold Gold in Elite/Gold Silver in Gold/Silver Bronze in Silver/Bronze | Double State Points for playing up in Michigan Grand Slams, Michigan Director's Cup, NIT's, State & Director's Cup Championships |
| NSA Participation Points | 500 State Bonus Points for playing in 6th Tournament 500 State Bonus Points for playing in 9th tournament 500 State Bonus Points for playing in 12th Tournament |
| GOLD or SILVER - Participate in Both East/West States | 500 State Bonus Points |
| "GOLD/SILVER" Participate in Director's Cup Championships | 500 State Bonus Points |
| "GOLD/SILVER" Participate in "ELITE" Multi State Championships | 500 State Bonus Points |
| Participate in 'SUPER STATE' Championship | DOUBLE POINTS PLUS 500 State Bonus Points |
| Participate in Super Regional | 500 State Bonus Points * PLUS 2X FINISH POINTS |
| Participate in World Series - (Must Qualify) | 500 State Bonus Points * PLUS 3X FINISH POINTS |
| Participate in Super World - (Must Qualify) | 500 State Bonus Points * PLUS 4X FINISH POINTS |

2017 Michigan Grand Slam Schedule & VALIDATIONS

All Tournament Listings are posted at www.PlayNSA.com Click on: SEARCH (Menu toward top of page)
Then Select: Tournament Search and Follow Prompts for: Current Year, Michigan & Adult

ALL TEAMS MUST PARTICIPATE in EITHER the EAST or WEST STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS to validate berths and to qualify for the SUPER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

ALL Teams must participate in a State to Validate a Super Regional or World Series Berth.

ALL Teams must participate in an East/West State, PLUS either Super Regional or World Series to Validate a Super World Series Berth

ALL Teams earning a Participation Berth to the Super Worlds must Validate by participating in East/West State, PLUS either Super Regional or World Series.

TO VIEW POINT STANDINGS DURING THE SEASON GO TO: www.PlayNSA.com and SELECT the POINT SYSTEM LINK

ADDITIONAL RULES and PROCEDURES

NSA Rules - It is the Coach/Manager's responsibility to know the NSA Rules and bylaws.

Ignorance of any NSA rule or bylaw does NOT negate the penalty.

NSA Rule Book with bylaws is available online 24/7 at www.PlayNSA.com - Select Rule Book.

CHECK THE RULE BOOK FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF RULES REGARDING ROSTERS & Player Eligibility.

Contact your State Director if you have questions.

All Bats must have the NSA 2012 Stamp on it **AND** be from a company on the APPROVED BAT COMPANY LIST that is

Available online 24/7 at www.PlayNSA.com click on: Approved Equipment Select: Approved BAT Companies.

All teams MUST complete a NSA roster on the NSA ONLINE SYSTEM. It must be complete with all information correct.

Teams must bring a signed copy to turn in for each tournament.

Roster checks may be done anytime during the tournament. PLAYERS MUST SHOW DRIVERS LICENSE or GOVERNMENT ISSUED PICTURE ID. Players are required to have photo ID at all times.

Grand Slam - HOME RUN RULES

| <i>Division</i> | <i>Home Runs</i> |
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| Men's "ELITE" | 5 with One Up Rule |
| Men's "GOLD" | 3 with One Up Rule |
| Men's "SILVER" | 2 then (IEO) Inning Ending Out |
| Men's "BRONZE" | ZERO (0) with (IEO) Inning Ending Out |
| <u>"COMBO" Men's Grand Slam Tournaments</u> | |
| Elite vs Elite | 5 with One Up Rule |
| Gold & Silver vs Elite | 4 with One Up Rule |
| Gold vs Gold | 3 with One Up Rule |
| Silver or Bronze vs Gold | 2 with One up Rule |
| Silver vs Silver | 2 then (IEO) Inning Ending Out |
| Bronze vs Silver | 1 then (IEO) Inning Ending Out |
| Bronze vs Bronze | ZERO (0) with (IEO) Inning Ending Out |
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| Sunday 35 & Over – Upper | 3 with One Up Rule |
| Sunday 35 & Over - Lower | 2 then (IEO) Inning Ending Out |
| Sunday 35 & Over - COMBO | 2 with One up Rule |
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| COED – Upper | 2 with one up |
| COED – Lower | 1 home run / all HR's after first will be an out |
| COED Combined Upper/Lower | 1 with one up |
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| Women's Upper | 2 with one up |
| Women's Lower | 0 then an out |
| Women Combined Upper/Lower | 1 with one up |

Park Policy: Every NSA Complex has their own Park rules and these rules will have to be abided by or offenders of the rules will be eliminated from the tournament and could also receive a one (1) year suspension from NSA play.