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2018 MEN'S MICHIGAN GRAND SLAM TOURNAMENT SERIES

27th Annual Season

NEW STATE DIRECTOR: Ray Couturier – 231-218-4801

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.

2018 NSA Team Membership fee is \$25 and must be completed online.

NEW "GUEST PLAYERS"

Allowed in Michigan Men's NSA GRAND SLAM Tournaments.

- If you use a Guest Player teams gets **NO** National Points, but **WILL** get Grand Slam points.
 - Two (2) Guest Players per weekend maximum
 - Guest players will only be on the roster for the upcoming weekend when added.
- Guest players point values will have to fit into the team classification points or it will re-classify your team for the remainder of the year.

EQUALIZER RULE

Equalizer will be used in combo tournaments: Elite/Gold/Silver, 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

MEN'S Grand Slam Series Divisions:

Men's Elite, Gold, 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 "EQUALIZER" Grand Slam – Elite/Gold/Silver - \$300

DISCOUNT of \$25 (\$275) if paid one week prior to the tournament entry date.

Umpire fees included in "EQUALIZER" Grand Slams

POOL PLAY and SINGLE ELIMINATION with consolation bracket for Gold/Silver

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 membership/sanction 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.

Select LINK ON LEFT to pay by charge.

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

2018 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 44/400 or 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

Men's "EQUALIZER" Grand Slam – Elite/Gold/Silver

(Elite 3 game Min. & Gold/Silver 4 game min.)

PLACES	CA\$H Payout	World Series - TRAVEL MONEY
1 st Place	\$20	\$25
2 nd Place	\$10	\$15
Top Gold/Silver	\$20	Top Gold \$10
2 nd Gold/Silver	\$10	Top Silver \$10
	If no Gold/Silver it goes to 1st	
	1 st in each pool \$50	

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

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

Any "Equalizer" Tournaments the awards payout will be posted 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.

2018 Men's "OVERALL" GRAND SLAM NEW 1st – 3rd Travel Money

Based on teams participating in Grand Slam, NIT, State & Super State a % listed below will be given in each division. Men's Elite, Gold, Silver and Bronze.

1st Place: 50% of each classification totals

2nd Place: 35% of each classification totals

3rd Place: 15% of each classification totals

TRAVEL MONEY IS GIVEN AT SUPER WORLDS!!!

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

AWARDS given at the 2018 Michigan NSA/BPA State Awards & Hall of Fame Banquet 12/1/18 in Lansing, MI.

2018 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
Bonus Points below are for ALL Gold, Silver & Bronze Teams towards Overall Grand Slam	
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	<u>Double</u> State Points for playing up in Michigan Grand Slams, Michigan Equalizers, NIT's, State & 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 "ELITE" 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 <u>2X</u> FINISH POINTS
Participate in World Series - (Must Qualify)	500 State Bonus Points * PLUS <u>3X</u> FINISH POINTS

2018 Michigan Grand Slam Schedule & Validations

All Tournament Listings are posted at www.PlayNSA.com Click on: Tournament Search - Select: Current Year, Michigan & Adult

SEE Link for Park Contacts & Addresses on left

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.

ALL TEAMS MUST PARTICIPATE IN EITHER 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 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 be on the Approved Equipment - Bat List for NSA sanctioned events - Available online 24/7 at www.PlayNSA.com click on: Approved Equipment Select: Approved BAT LIST.

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>
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
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
COED – GOLD	3 with one up
COED – SILVER	2 with one up
COED - BRONZE	1 home run / all HR's after first will be an out
COED Combined Upper/Lower	1 with one up
Women's GOLD	3 with one up
Women's SILVER	2 with one up
Women's BRONZE	1 then an out
Women's Combined Upper/Lower	1 with one up