

# 2019 MEN'S 5X5X5 STATE TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORM

September 14-15, 2019 | Fargo (East) and Bismarck (West)

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The 5x5x5 State Tournaments have a [special roster form](#) that must also be submitted no less than 48 hour prior to the tournament. Both rosters are available on the [Forms](#) page of [USASoftballND.com](#). **Each player's highest classified team and, if applicable, national player database classification must be listed in the appropriate location.** Please notify the tournament director if any changes need to be made to a roster after it has been submitted.

The entry fee for all 5x5x5 state tournaments is \$175.

Please check the appropriate tier in either the East or West below and send the entry form, roster(s), and entry fee to the address that follows.

5X5X5 EAST – FARGO			5X5X5 WEST – BISMARCK		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 D & above. No more than 3 B players allowed/team.	<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 Rec 1-2. No D or above players allowed.	<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3 Rec 3-4. No Rec 2 or above players allowed.	<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 1 D & above. No more than 3 B players allowed/team	<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 Rec 1-2. No D or above players allowed.	<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 3 Rec 3-4. No Rec 2 or above players allowed.
<b>Submit forms &amp; fees to....</b> Mike Peterson, Tournament Director Fargo USA Softball 4113 Arthur Dr Fargo ND 58104  <u>Additional contact information</u> 701-238-7384 <a href="mailto:mikepeterson23@hotmail.com">mikepeterson23@hotmail.com</a>			<b>Submit forms &amp; fees to....</b> Scott Kinnischtzke, Tournament Director Bismarck Slowpitch Softball Association 4250 Calahan Pl Bismarck ND 58504  <u>Additional contact information</u> 701-527-5538 <a href="mailto:kinnischtzke@hotmail.com">kinnischtzke@hotmail.com</a>		

Players & managers may also contact the State Office for more information about these tournaments. Email is preferred ([StateOffice@USASoftballND.com](mailto:StateOffice@USASoftballND.com)). Alternately, calls or texts to 701-952-4448 or messages through our Facebook page ([Facebook.com/USASoftballOfNorthDakota/](https://www.facebook.com/USASoftballOfNorthDakota/)).



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# 5x5x5 Playing Rules

**ROSTER** Each game features 3 teams with rosters of 10 players.

**BATTING ORDER** A team may bat as many players as are on the roster, any player who bats must play defense as well. In other words, there is no EH position in 5x5x5 play.

**GAMEPLAY** Each game is scheduled for 5 innings. There is no run rule.

Unless a predetermined order is provided, toss coin or similar procedure will be used to determine in which order the teams will bat in the game.

One team starts the inning with the 4 outfielders and the pitcher. Another starts with the 4 infielders and the pitcher. The third team bats. **EXCEPTION:** Instead of utilizing 4 outfielders, a team may choose to utilize 3 and the middle infielder (as part of an infield with another team's 4 infielders). However, that player may not play any other infield position during that "one-third inning" than middle infield.

Teams rotate each inning from OF/P to OF/P, batting, and batting to OF/P.

**COURTESY RUNNER:** A courtesy runner is allowed for one batter each inning and may run for that batter each time he reaches base in that inning.

If a runner is on base when his time at bat comes up, the team will utilize the runner. The runner will take his turn at bat, the player who made the last out moves to the occupied base furthest from each other, and the runner will move up to the next occupied base.

**HOME RUN RULE:** Following are the home run rules for each division of play. Excess home runs are outs.

- Tier 1 (D & above players) no more than 4 per game
- Tier 2 (Rec 2 players) = 2 per game
- Tier 3 (Rec 4 players) = 1 per game

**TOURNAMENT FORMAT** In pool play, the team that scores the most runs is 2 wins. The team that scores the second most runs receives 1 win. Ties will stand in pool play and the appropriate points divided amongst the tied. Therefore....

- If the top 2 teams tie, they both receive 1 win.
- If the bottom 2 teams tie, they both receive 1 win.
- If all 3 teams tie, they each receive 1 win.

**TIEBREAKERS:** In pool play ties in the standings will be broken as follows..

1. Head-to-head record (all teams involved in the tie must have played the same number of games)
2. Outright wins (games in which the team was awarded 2 points)
3. Run differential (maximum of 10 runs per opponent per game)
4. Coin toss/card draw

In ties involving more than 3 or more teams, if a team or teams are eliminated in any step, the tiebreaker reverts back to step 1 with the remaining teams until only one team remains. For example, if 3 teams reach step 2 and two of them have 2 outright wins and the other just one, the latter team is eliminated and the two teams with 2 outright wins go back to step 1, head-to-head record.

In an advancing bracket and/or championship game, "one tie, all tie" applies, meaning all teams will advance to extra innings if the top 2 teams (or all 3 teams) are tied at the end of 5 innings. Each team will have a chance to bat in extra innings, even if a team was hit at the beginning of the inning. The same rule applies in each extra inning and the game continues until an inning ends with one team having outscored both of their opponents.