

USA Softball of Nebraska

Men's Slow Pitch Open

Congratulations in participating in our Men's Slow Pitch Open USA Softball state tournament. USA Softball of Nebraska wishes you and your team a successful state tournament. Thank you for playing USA Softball the national governing body of softball.

Date/Location: July 25-27, 2025 Hastings, Nebraska Softball Complex

Entry Fee \$375 No Gate - STATE DEADLINE - JULY 15

REGISTRATION: Send \$375 and \$40.00 or \$415 USA Softball registration fee if your team is not USA Softball registered through your district commissioner. Your district commissioner will classify your team. Or send to: USA Softball of Nebraska, 4103 Osborne Drive East, Hastings 68901

Format: 3 GAME GUARANTEE BRACKET.

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Website: www.nebraskasoftball.org - 402-462-7100

Check-in: One hour before first game at complex. Players must provide ID when requested by a tournament official. Bats will be tested prior to your first game through a bat tester. All approved bats will get a hologram sticker.

Dugout: The team listed on the bottom portion of the bracket will occupy the third base dugout.

Advancing Info: ADULT TEAMS WISHING TO ADVANCE TO A NATIONAL TOURNAMENT MUST HAVE PLAYED IN A USA SOFTBALL OF NEBRASKA STATE TOURNAMENT IN THAT CLASS.

WATER COOLERS YOUR TEAM WILL BE ALLOWED TO BRING TEAM WATER COOLERS OR INDIVIDUAL PLAYER WATER COOLERS INTO THE COMPLEX. WATER WILL NOT BE PROVIDED IN THE DUGOUT DUE TO HEALTH CONCERN ISSUES.

Concessions

Complex Rules:

PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR TEAM MEMBERS AND FANS THAT FOOD OR DRINKS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE COMPLEX. TAILGATING IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE COMPLEX PARKING LOT. PETS are NOT allowed in the complex. NO SKATEBOARDS, HOVER BOARDS, SCOOTERS, MOTORIZED VEHICLES, ROLLERBLADES, BICYCLES.

Awards: For adult state tournaments sponsors shall furnish: 1st, 2nd and 3rd place team awards if 8 or more teams are in the tournament or 1st and 2nd place team awards if 7 or less teams are in the tournament. **State Championship T-shirts or championship rings will be provided for first place. THE STATE CHAMPION HAS A CHOICE OF A PAID BERTH TO NATIONALS OR STATE ENTRY FEE FOR THE 2026 STATE TOURNAMENT.**

11.02 Run Ahead Rule - Will be used in all Championship Tournaments.

Slow Pitch 10 runs after 5 innings

Slow Pitch 15 runs after 4 innings

Slow Pitch 20 runs after 3 innings

Run Rule if Equalizer Rule not being used.



11.17 Slow Pitch Home Run Rule Limits - A limit of over-the-fence home runs will be used in all Men's and Coed Slow Pitch Divisions.

5..... **Open MSP C** The batter is ruled out for any in excess

3..... **MSP D** The batter is ruled out for any in excess

Adult Slow Pitch

11.18 Softballs – All Men's and Coed teams will supply their own 12" optic yellow softball. The ball will be red stitch, 52 COR .300 compression, and be marked with the USA Softball approved stamp. All Women's slow pitch teams will supply their own 11" optic yellow softball. The ball will be red stitch, 52 COR .300 compression and be marked with the USA Softball approved stamp.

11.20 – Slow Pitch Batter Count – One (1) ball and one (1) strike count all adult slow pitch. Each batter comes to the plate with the one (1) and one (1) count.

11.24 BATS -. All bats will be tested on site prior to use in state championship play.

Player Ejection: When a player is ejected from Adult Slow Pitch or Coed game the tournament committee can use their discretion on how long a player is out of the tournament.

Protest Fee – teams or individuals wishing to protest player eligibility or playing rules will be required to provide the tournament committee \$100 cash. If the protest is upheld the fee will be refunded. If the protest is not upheld the fee will be forwarded to the tournament revenue account.

Classification - Teams achieving a .500 or better record (excluding forfeits) at a state tournament will be classified in the same class or higher the following year provided the team has four (4) or more of the players (including pickup players) that participated the preceding season.

All teams that are required to move up in classification due to their finish the previous season and are responsible to notify their district commissioner if they change the name of the team or the team manager. Failure to do so may result in their disqualification from competition.



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