

**USA Softball  
Girls' B 12-Under Northern  
National Championship**



***TOURNAMENT INFORMATION PACKET***

**July 25 – July 28, 2019  
Parkview Softball Complex  
Rapid City, SD**

*Hosted by RCJOUSA  
Rapid City Junior Olympic USA Softball  
[www.rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com](http://www.rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com)*



## WELCOME LETTER

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### Dear Team Managers:

Congratulations to you and your team for attaining the privilege to compete in the 2019 USA Softball Girls' B 12-Under Northern National Championship. The Rapid City Junior Olympic USA Softball league is privileged to host this event for you. We will work very hard to make your experience the best it can be. Our hope is that players and spectators will feel distinguished and welcome in Rapid City.

The information in this packet should answer most of your questions regarding this tournament. Everything from hotel arrangements to opening ceremonies and tentative game schedules are included. Please read this packet carefully and, if you still have questions, please give us a call or send us an email. We love hearing from you, so please don't hesitate to contact us.

Games will be held at the Parkview Softball Complex in Rapid City. The Parkview Softball Complex has six well-maintained, lighted fields. In addition, there are 2 concession stands and restroom facilities. We take pride in our softball complex and welcome you to our fields.

Please remember the deadline for entry in this tournament is July 1, 2019. Completed packets must be received by this date. We will contact you once your packet is received to confirm the information. Please include a current email address, so we can keep you updated with the most current information. Email is our preferred method of communicating. We will also be utilizing our website and Facebook page to communicate information.

We welcome you to Rapid City, SD, and look forward to making this event enjoyable for your team and fans. We encourage you and your team to come a few days early or stay a few days after the tournament to visit the iconic Mount Rushmore National Memorial, Crazy Horse Memorial, Bear Country USA, Reptile Gardens, and the many more great attractions we have in our backyard.

Good luck in the tournament and should you have further questions, please contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Aaron Davis  
Tournament Director  
Phone: (605) 381-0635  
Email: [info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com](mailto:info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com)





## FACT SHEET

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<b>TOURNAMENT</b>	Girls' B 12-Under Northern National Championship
<b>DATES</b>	July 25 – July 28, 2019
<b>PLAYING FIELDS</b>	Parkview Softball Complex 4415 Parkview Drive Rapid City, SD 57701
<b>ELIGIBLE TEAMS</b>	Teams must be registered with USA Softball and qualify through their local Association to attend this event. <b><i>Please check with your local commissioner to confirm eligibility requirements.</i></b>
<b>ENTRY FEE</b>	\$400
<b>ENTRY DEADLINE</b>	July 1, 2019
<b>ENTRY PAPERWORK</b>	<p>Entry Packet MUST be received in our office by July 1, 2019. The following information should be included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> USA Official Tournament Entry Form (Form A)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> USA Official Championship Roster <i>2 pages</i> (Form B)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> USA Official JO Championship Tournament Requirements Form (Form C)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> USA Pick-Up Player Form (Form D) <i>As needed</i></li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Entry Fee – Made payable to RCJOUA</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Hotel Report (Page 13)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Tournament Program Personal Ad Order Form (Page 12)</li></ul> <p>The following must be emailed to us by July 1, 2019:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Team Roster Form for Program – Page 11</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Digital Team Photo</li></ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	Pool play with double elimination - 4 Game Guarantee <i>Pool play games DO count for seeding purposes.</i>



## TOURNAMENT ENTRY PAPERWORK CHECK LIST

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**Tournament Entry Deadline:**

**July 1, 2019**

Make sure all forms are submitted no later than July 1, 2019 *(unless otherwise noted)*.

Use this checklist to ensure you have completed all submissions.

**Mailing Address:**      **RCJOUSA – National 12B Northern Tournament**  
                                 **PO Box 247**  
                                 **Rapid City, SD 57709**

**Email:**                **Info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com**

- USA Official Tournament Entry Form (Form A) **(required)**
  - \* *Must be signed by USA Softball Commissioner*
- USA Official Championship Roster *2 pages* (Form B) **(required)**
  - \* *Must be signed by USA Softball Commissioner*
- USA Official JO Championship Tournament Requirements Form (Form C) **(required)**
- USA Pick-Up Player Form (Form D) *(As needed)*
  - \* *Must be signed by USA Softball Commissioner*
  - \* *This form can be turned in as late as Check-In at Tournament*
- \$400 Tournament Entry Fee **(required)**
  - \* *Made payable to RCJOUSA*
- Hotel Report Form (Page 13) **(required)**
  - \* *This form can be turned in as late as Check-In at Tournament*
- Team Roster Form for Program (Page 11) **(required)**
  - Digital Team Photo or Logo **(required)**
- Tournament Program Personal Ad Order Form (Page 12) *(Optional)*
  - Payment (Made payable to RCJOUSA)
  - Artwork and/or Text for Ad





## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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<b>Thursday, July 25, 2019</b>	<b>Player &amp; Bat Check-In</b> 12 pm – 4 pm Location: East Ballroom Comfort Suites Hotel & Convention Center 1333 North Elk Vale Road, Rapid City, SD 57701 <i>All players must be present to sign the Tournament Sign-In Form. Photos IDs, Birth Certificates, or USA Softball Cards for each player listed will be required.</i>  <i>All bats are required to be tested during player check-in. Only stickered bats can be used during game play.</i>
	<b>Umpire Meeting</b> 3 pm – 4 pm Location: Knight's Table Ballroom Comfort Suites Hotel & Convention Center 1333 North Elk Vale Road, Rapid City, SD 57701
	<b>Manager's Meeting</b> 4 pm – 5 pm Location: East Ballroom Comfort Suites Hotel & Convention Center 1333 North Elk Vale Road, Rapid City, SD 57701 <i>A team manager or representative must be present for the meeting. Up to 2 people from each team may attend.</i>
	<b>Opening Ceremonies</b> 6 pm – 8 pm Location: Parkview Softball Complex <i>The Opening Ceremonies will have a Patriotic Theme. Concessions will be available. More specific details will be provided at a later date.</i>
	<b>Friday, July 26, 2019</b>
<b>Pool Play Begins</b> 8 am – 8 pm Location: Parkview Softball Complex  <b>Team Gift Exchange</b> – In the spirit of good sportsmanship, teams will exchange gifts with each team member/coach of the opposing team after the end of the 1st and 2nd pool play games.	
<b>Saturday, July 27, 2019</b>	<b>Pool Play Continues</b> 8 am - TBD
	<b>Tournament Bracket Play Begins</b> After Pool Play
<b>Sunday, July 28, 2019</b>	<b>Tournament Bracket Play Concludes</b> 8 am - TBD <i>Awards and closing ceremony immediately following the Championship Game</i>



## HOUSING

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<b>HOST HOTEL</b>	<b>Comfort Suites and Convention Center</b> 1333 North Elk Vale Road, Rapid City, SD 57701 *Double Queen Suites	<b>\$137/night</b>
<b>SISTER HOTELS (OVERFLOW)</b>	<b>Quality Inn &amp; Suites</b> 1550 North Lacrosse St, Rapid City, SD 57701 *Double Queen	<b>\$130/night</b>
	<b>Days Inn Rapid City</b> 1570 North Lacrosse St, Rapid City, SD 57701 *Double Queen	<b>\$130/night</b>

All of the above hotels are within 15 minutes from the Parkview Softball Complex. Each hotel has an indoor pool, complimentary breakfast, free wi-fi, and laundry facilities.

**Room blocks are available until July 1, 2019.**

Please see the following pages for more information about each hotel and contact information for reserving your Team blocks. The Coach (or a Team Representative) should contact the desired hotel with the number of rooms your team will need. Once your Team Block has been reserved, booking instructions for individual families will be forwarded on to the team contact. Each family will need to reserve their room with a credit card.



## HOUSING: HOST HOTEL



1333 North Elk Vale Road  
Rapid City, SD 57701

### *The Comfort Suites Hotel and Convention Center Welcomes:*

*12U B Northern National Softball  
7/25 - 7/28, 2019*

Welcome to the **Comfort Suites Hotel & Convention Center** in Rapid City, SD.  
We're glad to have you with us!

Please reserve your Team block for this event at the new **Comfort Suites Hotel & Convention Center** in Rapid City, by calling **1-605-791-5087 during business hours** or emailing **triplecrownhotels@gmail.com**. Refer to the **12 UB Northern National Softball** when making your arrangements. This will ensure you get the special rate of **\$137.00 for Double Queen Suites** (plus \$2.00 per night city tax & 9% tax) for 1 to 4 people in a standard suite with 2 queen beds. **This rate is available a few days before and after event date, based on availability.**

**Once team blocks have been set, booking instructions for families will be forwarded on to the team's point of contact for disbursement.** Each family will need to reserve their room with a credit card.

The hotel has a very nice **indoor pool, hot tub & fitness room** with 2 treadmills, an elliptical machine & weights. We also have guest **laundry facilities**, as well as a **business center** that has two computers with free high-speed internet and a printer. A variety of **beer and wine** is available for purchase at the front desk.

Conveniently located at Exit 61 off I-90 on Elk Vale Road, the new restaurant, **Dakotah Steakhouse**, is located directly in front of the hotel. There is also an **Arby's, Perkins, Marco's Pizza, and McDonalds** just across the street. You are just minutes away from many restaurants and shopping – either in historic downtown Rapid City, the Rushmore Mall or at Rushmore Crossing. The Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, and many other area attractions and parks are within easy driving distance as well.

#### **All rooms are Suites & every suite has:**

- ★ Roomy sitting area with comfortable sofa bed & flat screen TV
- ★ Refrigerator & microwave
- ★ Coffee maker, hairdryer, bath amenities
- ★ Upgraded linens & pillow-top beds
- ★ Iron & ironing board
- ★ Free High-speed, wireless & hard-wired, internet
- ★ Free deluxe hot breakfast!

Check out our hotel at: [www.comfortsuitesrapidcity.com](http://www.comfortsuitesrapidcity.com)

**Please call by July 1, 2019 as these rooms will only be held until then!**





## HOUSING: SISTER HOTELS



1550 North Lacrosse St  
Rapid City, SD 57701

*Quality Inn & Suites  
Welcomes:*

*12U B Northern National Softball  
7/25 - 7/28, 2019*

Welcome to the **Quality Inn & Suites** in Rapid City, SD.  
We're glad to have you with us!

Please reserve your Team block for this event, by calling **1-605-791-5087 during business hours or emailing [triplecrownhotels@gmail.com](mailto:triplecrownhotels@gmail.com)**. Refer to the **12U B Northern National Softball** when making your arrangements. This will ensure you get the special rate of **\$130.00 (plus \$2.00 per night city tax & 9% tax)** for a 2 Queen room. **This rate is available a few days before and after event date, based on availability.**

**Once team blocks have been set, booking instructions for families will be forwarded on to the team's point of contact for disbursement.** Each family will need to reserve their room with a credit card.

The hotel is nicely appointed with an **indoor pool, hot tub & fitness room** with treadmills, an elliptical machine & weights. We also have guest **laundry facilities**, as well as a **business center**, including two computers with free high-speed internet and a printer. No pets are allowed.

We are conveniently located off I-90 at Exit 58, on North Lacrosse St. The fabulous restaurant, **Dakotah Steakhouse**, is located a short distance away. There is also a **Burger King and Philly Ted's** just across the street, as well as **Walmart** and **Millstone** next door. You are just minutes away from many additional restaurants and shopping – in historic downtown Rapid City, the Rushmore Mall or Rushmore Crossing. The Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, and many other area attractions and parks are within easy driving distance as well.

### **All rooms have:**

- ★ Free deluxe, hot breakfast buffet served from 6a-10a every day!
- ★ Refrigerator & microwave (most rooms)
- ★ Coffee maker, hairdryer, bath amenities
- ★ Upgraded linens & pillow-top beds
- ★ Iron & ironing board
- ★ Free High-speed, wireless & hard-wired, internet

Check out our hotel at: [www.rapidcityqualityinnandsuites.com](http://www.rapidcityqualityinnandsuites.com)

**Please call by July 1, 2019 as these rooms will only be held until then!**



## HOUSING: SISTER HOTELS



1570 N Lacrosse St  
Rapid City, SD 57701

*Days Inn  
Welcomes:*

*12 UB Northern National Softball  
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*Welcome to the Days Inn in Rapid City, SD.  
We're glad to have you with us!*

*Please reserve your Team block for this event at the new Days Inn in Rapid City, by calling **1-605-791-5087** or emailing **triplecrownhotels@gmail.com**. Refer to the **12UB Northern National Softball** when making your arrangements. This will ensure you get the special rate of **\$130.00** (plus \$2.00 per night city tax & 9% tax) for 1 to 4 people in a standard room with 2 queen beds. **This rate is available a few days before and after event date, based on availability.***

**Once team blocks have been set, booking instructions for families will be forwarded on to the team's point of contact for disbursement.** Each family will need to reserve their room with a credit card.

*The hotel has a very nice **indoor pool, hot tub & fitness room** with a treadmill, an elliptical machine & universal weight machine. We also have guest **laundry facilities**, as well as a **business center** with two computers with free high-speed internet and a printer.*

*Conveniently located at Exit 58 off I-90, on North Lacrosse. The **Millstone Restaurant** is located directly in front of the hotel. There is also **Burger King, Philly Ted's, Golden Corral, and Subway** within a couple blocks. You are just minutes away from many restaurants and shopping – either in historic downtown Rapid City, the Rushmore Mall or at Rushmore Crossing. The Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, and many other area attractions and parks are within easy driving distance as well.*

**All rooms come with:**

- ★ Coffee maker, hairdryer, bath amenities
- ★ Upgraded linens & pillow-top beds
- ★ Iron & ironing board
- ★ Free High-speed, wireless & hard-wired, internet
- ★ Flat screen TV
- ★ Free deluxe hot breakfast!

Check out our hotel at: [www.rapidcitydaysinn.com](http://www.rapidcitydaysinn.com)

**Please call by July 1, 2019 as these rooms will only be held until then!**



# TEAM ROSTER FORM FOR PROGRAM

**INSTRUCTIONS: All fields are required.** Please type or print the names, uniform numbers, and positions of all team members. Include the names and titles of all coaches and managers. Include one team picture or logo with submission of this form. The digital photo or logo must be at least 3.5 inches (tall) by 5 inches (wide) at a minimum resolution of 300 dpi in JPEG format. It may be submitted on CD or via email attachment or download link. *Teams that do not have a team photo may send a team logo or a clear photo of their team's uniform jersey instead. The digital picture must be at least 3.5 inches tall by 5 inches wide and at a minimum resolution of 300 dpi in JPEG format. Please do not send a printed photo. Submit no later than July 1, 2019. Submissions received after July 1, may not be included in the program.*

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Team Picture:     CD Enclosed             Email Attachment             Email Download Link

Staff Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

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# TOURNAMENT PROGRAM PERSONAL AD ORDER FORM

**INSTRUCTIONS: All fields are required, except as marked.** Ad space in the official tournament program is available for purchase by parents, teams, or others who wish to include a personal message. **Please share with your team.** Please complete this form and submit with payment and ad content **no later than July 1, 2019.**

Ads may be submitted as text, a picture, or both. Submit photos or ad artwork at **actual size** in **JPG, TIF, or PDF** format at a minimum resolution of **300 dpi**. Artwork may be submitted on CD or via email attachment (2.5 MB limit) or download link. *Any orders received after the submission deadline will not be included in the program.*

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Player Name (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Text (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

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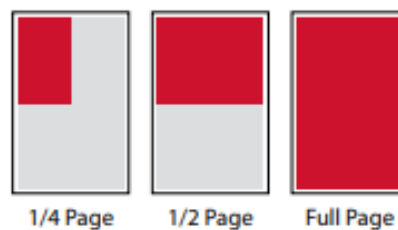
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**Choose an ad size.** *(We cannot guarantee specific placement.)*

- Full-Page Ad \$250  
8" wide x 10.5" tall
- Half-Page Ad \$125  
8" wide x 5.25" tall
- Quarter-Page Ad \$75  
4" wide x 5.25" tall
- Business Card \$35



**Are you sending a photo or artwork for inclusion in this ad?**

- Yes     CD Enclosed     Email Attachment     Email Download Link
- No (Text Only)

**Send form, payment (checks payable to RCJOUA) and digital artwork to:**

RCJOUA – National 12B Northern Tournament  
PO Box 247  
Rapid City, SD 57709  
Info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com



# HOTEL REPORT

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Each team manager should turn in one (1) hotel report form on behalf of the entire team. The numbers should be based on what your team booked. To ensure accuracy, please check with all members of your team if you are staying in separate hotels.

**This form is due no later than July 25 at Team Check-In.**

**Team Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Manager / Coach Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Day Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Evening Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Hotel Name</b>	<b># of Rooms</b>	<b># of Nights</b>	<b># of People</b>
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OR

We are a local team and none of our team members stayed in a hotel.



## GIFT EXCHANGE

As is tradition at many National sporting events, there will be a **gift exchange** at the conclusion of each team's **first and second pool games**. Please be prepared with a small gift to exchange with each member of the opposing team (approx. 18 gifts per team).

Please remember the Gift Exchange is a fun, memorable part of the tournament. Gift items should be inexpensive, but thoughtful. The gift should be a team decision, based on items the girls themselves would like to receive. It is a fun idea to have them put together gift bags or boxes as a team which creates some fun team bonding experiences.

### Gift Ideas

- Something representing the tournament, your team or your team's home area.
- Team Pins / Magnets / Stickers / Key Chain
- Gift Bag with useful items such as chap stick, hair ties, sunblock, eye-black, etc.
- Personally-decorated softball ornaments
- Team craft projects of necklaces or headbands or hair bows in team colors.
- A custom CD with songs picked out by the girls on your team.
- T-Shirts representing your team or hometown.
- Healthy and yummy snacks.



If you are at a loss of what to do – ask your kids what they would want.  
You can also check websites like Pinterest or Etsy for inspiration.





## GENERAL INFORMATION – A TO Z

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<b>ADMISSION</b>	Tournament Pass (3-Day) (10 and up) <i>* Available at Check-In or at the Gate</i> Daily Admission (10 and up) <i>* Children under 10 are Free</i>	\$15  \$7
<b>AWARDS</b>	USA Softball code 607 dictates the awards based on the number of teams entered. The minimum awards are team awards to the top three teams; individual awards to the first and second place teams.	
<b>BAT TESTING</b>	All bats are required to be tested as a part of player check-in. Please make sure players bring any and all bats they will be using during game play. A crew will perform a visual inspection of the bats, conduct a compression test and then sticker bats that pass all tests. <u>Only stickered bats can be used during game play.</u>	
<b>BENCH AREA</b>	Players, coaches and a bat person are the only individuals allowed in the dugout. ALL individuals in the dugout must be USA Softball registered and have their cards (including the bat person). Please clean out your dugout at the conclusion of your game.	
<b>BRACKET DRAW PROCESS</b>	Teams will turn in their tournament evaluations form at the completion of their last pool game. Coaches are asked to bring their forms to the tournament headquarters at Parkview Complex within 60 minutes from the conclusion of their last pool play game to draw for bracket placement. The bracket is already labeled with a number. Each team will draw a game number according to how they placed within their pool.	
<b>COACH &amp; PLAYER PASSES</b>	Each team will be given up to three (3) coach passes and (1) pass for each rostered player attending the tournament. Passes must be shown each time entering the facility, even when in uniform. Lost passes will be replaced at the tournament price. Additional coach passes can be purchased at check-in.	
<b>COIN TOSS</b>	A Coin flip will determine Home/Away in all games. It will take place on the field before each game.	
<b>CONCESSIONS</b>	A variety of concessions will be available. Parkview Complex does not sell alcoholic beverages and you are not allowed to bring your own alcoholic beverages into the complex. You are allowed to tailgate in the parking lot, but no alcoholic beverages, per city code.	



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<b>CONDUCT</b>	Managers are expected to have complete control over their team, including coaches, players and spectators, both on the field and off the field. Spectators that become abusive or generally vulgar to umpires, opposing players or fans will be handled in a three-step process: 1. Notification to the coach at a breaking point in the game; 2. Direct warning to the violators; 3. Suspension of the game, ejection of the individual from the facility within a two-minute time period.
<b>DRESS CODE</b>	Players on a team shall properly wear uniforms that are alike in color, trim, and style (USA Rule 3, Section 6, A–G). Coaches must be neatly attired and dressed alike or in a team uniform in accordance with the color code of the team.
<b>DUGOUT ASSIGNMENTS</b>	The team at the top of the bracket will occupy the 1st base dugout unless the team is playing back-to-back. The team at the bottom of the bracket will use the 3rd base dugout. During pool play, the tournament committee is asking the team in the 3 <sup>rd</sup> base dugout to provide a volunteer to operate the scoreboard.
<b>EQUIPMENT CONFISCATION</b>	Any piece of equipment found during a game to be unsafe, or not meeting USA Softball standards will be confiscated by the umpire or tournament official and held safely until the team is eliminated from the tournament. The owner of the equipment will receive a ticket to be used for collection of the equipment at the end of the tournament.
<b>FIELDS</b>	Parkview Softball Complex 4415 Parkview Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701
<b>FORMAT</b>	Pool Play with Double Elimination. 4 Game Minimum. Pool Play Games DO Count for Seeding.
<b>GAME BALLS</b>	Official game balls will be provided in accordance with USA Softball regulations.
<b>GAME SCHEDULE</b>	Pool Play games will be posted online no later than Monday, July 15th. Teams are protected from playing someone from their same association (where possible) per the USA Code.
<b>GAME TIMES</b>	Game times listed are only a guideline. Teams should be prepared to start a game once the preceding game is concluded and fields are prepared. Game time is forfeit time.





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<b>GIFT EXCHANGE</b>	<p>In the spirit of good sportsmanship, teams will exchange gifts with each team member of the opposing team after the end of their first and second pool play games (approximately 18 gifts per team). Gifts should be inexpensive, thoughtful, and based on the kind of gifts the girls themselves would like to receive.</p> <p>See the Gift Exchange section in this packet for more ideas.</p>
<b>HOUSING</b>	<p>Please see the Housing section of this packet for a list of area hotels. If you already know how many rooms you have, please take time to fill out the Hotel Report (attached) and email it back to <a href="mailto:info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com">info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com</a>, so it can be put in your file. It is one less thing to worry about at Check-In.</p>
<b>INFIELD PRACTICE</b>	<p>Infield practice is not allowed. Teams are permitted to warm-up in the outfields while the infields are being prepared.</p>
<b>INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY</b>	<p>In the event of rain, or any cause which interrupts a game, the game must be resumed at the exact point where it was stopped. It is the coach's responsibility to report to tournament headquarters for rescheduled game information. Games postponed will be made up as determined by the Tournament Director and staff. Games time limit may be shortened, depending on when a rainout occurs – in order to get all games played. Rainout information will be posted on the tournament website – <a href="http://www.rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com">www.rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com</a> and available via Facebook (Rapid City Girls Junior Olympic USA Fastpitch Softball).</p>
<b>LINE-UP CARDS</b>	<p>Line-up cards will be supplied for you and in your welcome bag, which you will receive at check-in. Managers must use full first and last names with jersey numbers when filling out the forms. An official line-up card must be submitted to the scorekeeper at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the game.</p>
<b>MERCHANDISE</b>	<p>Tournament shirts and other souvenirs will be available.</p>
<b>OPENING CEREMONIES</b>	<p>The theme for the opening ceremonies is Patriotic. More details will be provided closer to the event.</p>
<b>PARKING</b>	<p>There is no fee for parking at the Parkview Complex.</p>
<b>PETS</b>	<p>No pets are allowed inside the Parkview Complex, except for Certified Service Animals.</p>



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<b>PHOTOGRAPHER</b>	There will be an Official Photographer at the Tournament.
<b>PICK-UP PLAYER FORMS</b>	If you are picking-up players, you must have the pick-up player form filled out and signed by your Commissioner PRIOR to arriving at the tournament. As soon as you complete the form, email it to <a href="mailto:info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com">info@rapidcitygirlsfastpitch.com</a> , so it can be put in your file. It is one less thing to worry about at check-in.
<b>PIN EXCHANGE</b>	Team members may bring pins of their team's logo or state to trade with players from other teams before or after opening ceremonies or during the tournament weekend.
<b>POOL PLAY DRAW</b>	Pool Play draw will take place before the tournament. Pools will be posted on our website by Monday, July 15, 2019.
<b>PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE</b>	If you are interested in scheduling a pre-tournament practice, please contact Mike Deming at <a href="mailto:michael.deming@k12.sd.us">michael.deming@k12.sd.us</a> or 605-939-5060. You are welcome to arrange non-umpired friendlies if you want to contact other teams.
<b>PROGRAM ADS</b>	Personal Messages or Ads for the Tournament Program may be ordered by July 1, 2019. These are a great way to wish your player or team good luck during the tournament and will make a great keepsake. See Order Form in this packet for more information.
<b>PROHIBITED ITEMS</b>	The following are prohibited in the Parkview Softball Complex: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No outside food or beverages</li><li>• No alcohol</li><li>• No smoking or vaping</li><li>• No heeies, skateboards, rollerblades, large riding toys</li><li>• No pets, except for certified service animals</li></ul>
<b>PROTESTS</b>	If at any time during the tournament, you feel that a rule was misapplied, you should tell the umpire you are placing the game under protest. The scorekeeper should then contact the UIC to come to the field. UIC decisions are final. Protests cannot be made on judgement calls.
<b>RULES</b>	All playing rules and regulations for the tournament will be in accordance with the 2019 USA Softball Official Rule Book.



## GENERAL INFORMATION – A TO Z

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<b>RUN RULE</b>	A “run rule” of 15 after three innings, 12 after four innings, or 8 after five innings shall be in effect (USA Rule 5, Section 9).
<b>TIME LIMIT</b>	In all pool play and elimination play, games are 1 hour 20 minutes, finish that inning, then one additional inning will be played. If the game is still tied after the time limit has expired, the tiebreaker shall be in effect at the start of the next inning. Championship and “IF” games will be 7 innings.
<b>UMPIRES</b>	All the umpires have been selected by their local Umpire-In-Chief to work this event. Please treat them with respect and if there is an issue on the field, please discuss with the Tournament UIC.
<b>WARM-UP AREAS</b>	No infield practice will be permitted. Warm-up is allowed in designated areas only, this includes green space around the complex. Teams may warm-up in the outfield grass.