



# **2011 USSSA World Series**

***"C" World Series - 10U-18U***

***Gulf Shores, AL July 19-24<sup>th</sup>***

Congratulations on an outstanding season and welcome to the 2011 USSSA Fast Pitch C World Series Tournament. The C World Series will be held for ages 10U-18U. The World Series Tournament will be held in Gulf Shores, AL. Games will be played at the Gulf Shores Sportsplex and Orange Beach Sportsplex, July 19-24, 2011.

The USSSA Fast Pitch program will use a 5-game guarantee format in its World Series Tournament. Teams will be seeded into pools based on current USSSA ranking points and play a round robin. All teams will be seeded into a double elimination championship bracket following pool play. Seeding will be based on pool finish. The exact format of the tournament, e.g., number of games, number of teams in each pool, etc., will be set by the tournament director following USSSA Fast Pitch guidelines as approved by the USSSA Fast Pitch National Committee.

To guarantee your spot in the tournament, your team will need to complete the online entry process. All entries must be made through the [www.usssa.com](http://www.usssa.com) website. You will be required to submit your entry and payment online. At this point it will be subject to approval by your state director. Once approved, your entry will be considered complete for this World Series Event. Official entry and payment process must be completed no later than July 8, 2011. The entry fee for 2011 will be \$365.

All team rosters must be on the USSSA website and must be the one that was submitted to your state/area director when your team qualified for this tournament. Your state director must sign the roster we receive. Failure to comply with this rule will result in your team's removal from the tournament.

All players participating in USSSA Fast Pitch youth tournament play shall have proof of age in possession of their team manager at all times. Proof of age must be verified by a government issued document that identifies the player by name, gender and birth date. Failure to produce a copy of such document upon demand by and deemed non-fraudulent by a tournament official will result in the offending team losing the game, being eliminated from the tournament, being placed last in the standings and forfeiting all awards, sponsor's travel money and tournament berths that would have been awarded at the tournament.

## **NOTES:**

**USSSA - 611 Line Drive, Kissimmee, FL 34744 - 321-697-3636 - [www.usssaroadtoorlando.com](http://www.usssaroadtoorlando.com) - [www.usssa.com](http://www.usssa.com)**



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All playing rules shall be governed by the official USSSA Fastpitch softball rulebook and national by-laws. Note that the rulebook online at [www.usssa.com](http://www.usssa.com) will always supersede the latest printed version if a discrepancy exists.

## **Tournament Directors**

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## **Tournament Hosts**

Gulf Coast Sports Commission

## **Website**

The tournament website is <http://www.alabamasssa.org/cworldseries.html> Check it frequently for updates.

## **Tournament Headquarters**

Gulf Shores Sportsplex

19025 County Road 6 West

Gulf Shores Alabama 36542

## **Parks**

Gulf Shores Sportplex, Gulf Shores, AL – for directions:

<http://www.alabamasssa.org/directionsgulfshores.html>

## **Awards**

*Awards Package sizes will be based on the number of teams in the tournament. Below is the full size package that will be awarded for divisions with more than 32 teams per age division.*

1. Team trophies to the top six teams
2. Individual awards to the top six teams
3. Team Sportsmanship award
4. Outstanding Pitcher award
5. Outstanding Offensive Player award
6. Outstanding Defensive Player award
7. MVP award

## **Hotels**



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For a full list of lodging available for this event, please go to the following link:

[http://www.alabamagulfcoastsports.com/events/packages.asp?coe\\_id=16384](http://www.alabamagulfcoastsports.com/events/packages.asp?coe_id=16384)

## Check-In Materials

All teams will be required to check-in prior to the event. At this check-in, there are three mandatory pieces of information that must be turned in:

### 1. Lodging Forms

Link for Paper Copy: <http://www.alabamaussa.org/fastpitch/roomform.pdf>

OR Link to Compete Online: <http://www.alabamagulfcoastsports.com/accommodation/>

2. Proof of Team Insurance. Each team will be required to show a valid certificate of insurance at check-in.

3. Printout of your online USSSA official roster

4. Birth Certificate for each player

## Gift Exchange

There will be a non-mandatory team gift exchange during one of your pool play games. Teams wishing to participate should bring something that is representative of their home area, the value of which is not important. It is recommended that teams bring a minimum of 16 gifts to exchange.

## Admission

Spectator Admission is as follows: \$10 per adult per day or \$25 per adult for a tournament pass. For children ages 6-12 it is \$5 per day or \$12 for a tournament pass. Children 5 and under are free. This charge includes everyone except players and team coaches. A maximum of 3 coach passes and 20 player passes will be issued. Player passes will only be issued to those listed on the submitted roster, and only players in uniform will be allowed to enter on a player pass.

## Tentative Schedule

Tue July 19 Coaches Meeting (Lunch) – Location/Time - TBA  
Opening Ceremonies – Location/Time – TBA  
Wed July 20 Pool Play Begins  
Fri July 22 Tournament Play Begins

Bracket schedules will not be mailed out in advance. The pool play and double elimination brackets will be given to coaches during the team check-in. Player, coach and other pre-tournament items will also be distributed at the team check-in.



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Note that all times are subject to change. Please verify itinerary during team check-in. Once the tournament begins, managers must check the main bracket board for any changes in game times, field assignments or other items related to tournament play or functions.

## **Tournament Program Book**

We are planning a tournament program with lots of information, including all the brackets, directions and maps to parks and other important facilities, valuable coupons for local businesses, and team rosters and pictures. USSSA has created a new format for us to get this data. On your USSSA.com Official Roster, you will select a feature called "Advanced Roster." This feature will allow you to put all of the information onto the ISTS that will be used for Tournament Program, including name, number, batting hand, throwing hand, and positions played.

## **Good Luck Program Ads**

Family, friends and team supporters can use the form included in this packet to submit a Good Luck Ad to be included in the tournament program book. Ads are \$20 for a 15-word mention, \$30 for a 1/8 page ad with 20 words and \$60 for a 1/4 page ad with either 15 words and a picture/logo (JPEG format or similar) or \$30 words with no picture/logo. Deadline for submission of Good Luck Ads is July 11th, 2011. Email:

[alusssa@gmail.com](mailto:alusssa@gmail.com)

## **World Series Merchandise**

USSSA World Series apparel and souvenirs, such as t-shirts, pins and program books will be sold at the Opening Ceremonies and at each park throughout the tournament.