

NSA CANADA CO-ED AND CO-ED SENIOR WORLD SERIES INFORMATION PACKAGE

**SEPT 1 to SEPT 5, 2022,
KAMLOOPS, BRITISH COLUMBIA**



TOURNAMENT CAPITAL RANCH

Welcome to the 2022 COED World Series!

NSA Canada is proud to continue host this event at what we consider one of the best facilities in the country, Tournament Capital Ranch Sports Complex

Come out and watch the \$10,000 Open Championship Game again this year. The Game is Canada's Single largest Payout in any National Championship Game in Canada!

Kamloops has a great ball facility, with lots of Hotels and Camping in and around the City, and is serviced from both Westjet and Air Canada.

NSA Canada looks forward to the Co-ed World Series in Kamloops and to another very successful World Series. The following facilities will be in use for the event.

Tournament Capital Ranch (TCR) - 5375 Yellowhead Highway

Exhibition Park - 10th Avenue and River Road

Pacific Way Elementary - 2330 Pacific Way

Albert McGowan Park - 2025 Summit Dr.



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1. NSA Canada Co-ed "World Series" begins FRIDAY 8:00 a.m. TEAMS MUST BE PREPARED TO PLAY AT THIS TIME.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Registration will be confirmed upon payment received at NSA Canada Head Office. Entry fee is \$625.00 plus GST. You may register online at www.nsacanada.ca or mail your entry form to the above address. Payment methods are cash, cheques, EMT, debit or credit card.

B. Teams must have qualified through a qualifying tournament or a sanctioned league. If your team failed to qualify, some director's berths are available. Please contact your local NSA Canada director for more information.

C. Your original roster from NSA Canada will be in your package. Rosters are required to put online by August 21, 2022. You are allowed 5 changes from this roster, at a cost of \$5.00 per change. Please note the Player Classification System is in place and all players must be registered in order to play in the World Series. It takes only a few moments to register and the information can be found on our homepage at www.nsacanada.ca •

D. 6 and 4 format.

E. 5-game guarantee.

F. Open teams will play in their own division. We will also have A, B, Intermediate and Recreational divisions at the event.

G. NSA Canada would like to showcase some of Canada's best co-ed slopitch teams by scheduling the open division finals, under the lights, on Sunday evening. This will allow all players the opportunity to see the open division finals. All other division finals will take place on Monday, allowing their own division finals to not be overshadowed by the open final.

3. SCHEDULES

Game times will be posted on www.nsacanada.ca on Aug 28, 2022 in the evening; also all teams will be notified by email when schedule is posted. Please note, schedules are not confirmed and are subject to change up until the coach's meeting on the Thursday of the event.

4. ACCOMODATIONS

NSA Canada has integrated the industry's leading tournament management system, Tournkey. One of the many things this technology manages, is all the overnight accommodations for travelling teams. Our pre-negotiated tournament hotels will ensure that all participants are receiving our best rates, amenities, cancellation protections and service. We ask that all hotel activity takes place on this network, which will provide the best experience possible.

If needed, the Tournkey team can be contacted at 1-800-304-6346



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5. COACH'S MEETING and REGISTRATION

Thursday Sept 1, 2022 @ 9:00pm

Location: Tournament Capital Ranch

Package pickup and rules discussion will occur at this time.

6. CAMPING

There are several local campgrounds. To receive a list of these please go to www.Tourismkamloops.com. Please keep in mind when camping at these public facilities that all regular camping rules apply.

7. CHAMPIONSHIP WORLD SERIES RINGS

We will be OFFERING "World Series" ring NSA Canada and Josten's Canada, makers of some of the finest rings in the world, will have a representative on site to fit you for your personalized "World Series" rings. Please note: The rings are an OPTION TO PURCHASE and are available to championship teams only

8. WORLD SERIES PRIZING

Champions - World Series Prizing Plus Prize Money

Finalists - World Series Prizing Plus Entry Fee

3rd Place - World Series Prizing (If Applicable)

9. BAT TESTING

Once again, bat testing is Mandatory. All Softball bats must be tested prior to your first game. Bat testing will begin at 12:00pm on Thursday Sept 1/22. Teams will be sent a bat testing schedule to book scheduled times

10. GENERAL INFORMATION

If you have any other general inquiries, please contact NSA Canada directly at 877-250-9655



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COED WORLD SERIES 6 & 4 RULES



IMPORTANT NOTE:

NSA Canada's player classification is in place for all participants during this World Series Event. Each player must be registered in order to participate. Players not registered will be considered ineligible players if a roster protest is filed.

REC DIVISION: Up to 2 players with D classification or 1 player with C classification. Zero with a higher player classification.

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION: Up to 2 players with B classification or 1 player with A classification.

ELITE DIVISION: Up to 2 players with A classification

1. In your event package will be your World Series Roster you submitted online before the event. You are allowed up to five (5) Roster changes at the event. You will only be able to add people to your Roster who are in the NSA PCS system (Player Classification System) and this will be done at the Registration area at a cost of \$5.00 per change.
2. The umpire's line up card is to be retrieved by the winning team and handed in immediately following each game. Please ensure the umpire has signed it and verified the score (only umpire signed line up cards will be deemed to be official). If line up cards with umpire signatures and scores are not handed in, the game will be deemed as a loss for both teams.
3. Home team will be decided by a double coin toss, until the first game of each divisional championship, at which time the undefeated team will have the choice of home or visitor status. If a second game in the championship is required, a double coin toss will determine home and visitor status. Numbered or matching uniform shirts are not mandatory, however teams without one or the other will forfeit home team status to the team with matching or numbered uniform shirts. Matching font is considered a matching uniform shirt.
4. Each game has been allocated 90 minute time limits on the schedule. No new inning to start with less than 10 minutes remaining in scheduled time. Time limits will be enforced as per the umpire and/or the World Series Committee's judgement.
5. **IT IS MANDATORY FOR TEAMS TO BE AT DIAMONDS 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO THEIR ASSIGNED START TIMES, READY TO PLAY. **THERE WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NO GRACE PERIODS FOR ANY GAME.****
This means if your scheduled start time is 10:00AM, you must be at the diamond by 9:30AM and ready to play. If your team is not there and ready to play 30 minutes early, you may be considered as late and at risk of defaulting game!
6. Males must hit a 12" softball and females must hit an 11" softball. It is the defensive team's responsibility to ensure that the right ball has been pitched and only the offensive team will be allowed to appeal to the umpire in this regard.
7. A scoring line or scoring plate and commitment line will be used at home in the Intermediate and Recreational Divisions. The Open Division will use a live plate.
8. **Each team must have a male/female pitcher/catcher combination, or male/male.**
9. No form of warm up on the infield after the first inning is allowed. Infractions of this rule could result in that team's first batter in the following at bat being declared out (at the umpire's discretion).
10. A maximum of ten (10) players are allowed on the **field, four (4)** of which must be female. Games may NOT begin or end with less than ten (10) players, unless approved by the Tournament Committee.

11. The batting order must consist of four (4) females and six (6) males. If teams wish to utilize EPs in their batting order, they must have both a male and female EP, bringing the batting order to twelve (12) batters, seven (7) males and five (5) females. Teams that start a game with EPs must finish the game with them or be penalized as follows: If no **legal** substitute remains to replace any player or EP who is removed, injured, or ejected from a game, an out will be declared each time that vacated spot comes up to bat.

12. If a male batter is walked (regardless of intention) when followed by a female batter, the male batter will be awarded second base and the female will have the option of taking first base or to bat.

13. If at the end of the 7th inning or last inning a game is tied, it shall be resolved by playing an additional open inning. This will be repeated as necessary until one team scores more runs in their half of the inning than the other and a winner can be declared.

14. The one up home run rule is in effect. Once both teams have reached their respective home run limits (5) five per game, either team may hit an additional home run. However, teams may not go more than one home run ahead of the other team. The home team in the bottom of the final inning may not hit a home run to go one up. A home run over and above one up will be declared an out. **Teams must retrieve their foul or home run balls before their next offensive inning or their first batter of that inning will be declared out.**

15. Bunting is allowed by females only.

16. **The four (4) female batting positions must be designated with an "X" on the umpire's line up card (five (5) if a team is utilizing EPs).**

17. Third strike foul is an out. Runners may not tag up and advance bases on a third strike foul.

18. **Mercy Rule: 20 after the 3rd, 15 after the 4th, 10 after the 5th.** If a team is 20 or more runs ahead after the third complete inning, 15 or more after the fourth complete inning, or 10 or more runs ahead after the fifth complete inning, that team will be declared the winner and the game deemed complete.

19. **The home team will not take their last at bat if they are leading at the bottom of the last inning.**

20. In the event an accident to a runner during the course of a game prevents him/her from proceeding to a base to which he/she is entitled, a legal substitution must be made. Courtesy runners are NOT allowed.

21. **PROTEST:** Protests will not be considered if the sole issue in contention is a judgement decision made by the umpire. Protests will be received and considered under the following circumstances:

- Misinterpretation of a rule in the given situation;
- Failure by an umpire to apply the correct rule in the given situation; or
- Failure by an umpire to impose the correct penalty for a violation in the given situation.

Notification of intent to protest must be made prior to the next pitch after the given situation. There is a protest fee of \$175.00 cash to be paid at the time of protest to the NSA Canada tournament Director and/or the umpire for that game. For additional information on proper procedures for protest, refer to Rule 11, NSA Canada Rule Book.

EXCEPTION: Player eligibility may be ruled upon, subsequent to the completion of a game.

22. Forfeited games during round robin play may result in disqualification from the playoff round at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.

23. The World Series Committee reserves the right to change game times and tournament format without notice to ensure the safety of the participants and the completion of the tournament.

24. If it is discovered that a team has thrown a game for any reason, but especially for the purpose of placing in a lower division in the round robin, that team will be awarded the win by either the plate umpire or the Tournament Committee.

25. **Absolutely NO profanity...use of profanity will result in automatic ejection.**

26. **All other NSA Canada rules apply.**

NSA CANADA CO-ED SENIOR WORLD SERIES

Tournament Capital Ranch, Kamloops BC
CO-ED 50+ Division and CO-ED 55+ Division

The World Series starts Friday and ends Monday. There are 5 games guaranteed.

Finals will be played Monday.

Senior Softball Canada will follow NSA Canada rules with the exception of the following:

Equalizer Rule – Seniors divisions

The following equalizer rule will be in effect when the 50+ and 55+ play each other in round robin play.

The 55+ team will be awarded runs in the following format:

Inning	Runs Awarded
1	2
2	2
3	2
4	1
5	1
6	0
7	0

This rule will be in effect only for the round robin portion of the tournament.

Rules:

- 7 & 3 Male / Female Ratio
- Three (3) game seeding rounds to seed elimination bracket
- Elimination bracket is a Double Knock-out format
- Home Runs - Five (5) per team per game. All home runs beyond 5 will be an out.
- Run Rules - Five (5) runs per inning maximum exception for the open inning
- Mercy Rule - 15 runs after the 3rd or 4th inning and 10 runs after the 5th or 6th
- Time Limits
 - Round Robin – 90 minutes
 - Bracket Games – 90 minutes
 - Championship Games – 7 full innings
- Tie-breakers – Head to head (in full RR only), lowest runs allowed, true plus minus, coin toss
- 4-foot commitment line going home
- Safety line (scoring line) will be used for ALL senior games
- Courtesy running – every player is allowed to run once per inning with no carry over (see Rule 8, Note 1, SENIOR)
- No bunting or stealing
- For a player to be considered a 55-year old they must be 55 years of age as of December 31 of the current year
- In the 55+ division each team is permitted 2 players under 55 but over 53 as of December 31 of the current year
- Prize money depends on the number of teams entered in each division.
- If you have questions or trouble you may contact Darlene Bowman at 905-546-0501 or Mike Colistro at 250-318-3927





Coach's Message

Things to Remember



It is the coach's responsibility to know and understand the rules AND to make sure your players are aware of the rules. Do your homework; make sure you are aware of schedule changes, field changes and whatever else may happen. Regularly check the draw boards for announcements. It is your responsibility to know **WHEN + WHERE** your games are. The "World Series" committee **WILL NOT** be taking down cell numbers or hotel numbers to call you and tell you when you play - **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.**

SCORECARDS

Before the start of each game the UMPIRE will give you a scorecard for you to fill your line up on. You will fill out one side and the other team will fill out the other side. At the end of the game, the WINNING TEAM is responsible for turning in the scorecard - NOT THE UMPIRE. Make sure the card is right, the score is right, the home/visitor team is marked properly, both sides are filled out and the umpire has SIGNED the card.

ROSTERS

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MOVEMENT BETWEEN FIELDS

In the playoffs, the situation may happen that you will have to play back-to-back games. If you have to move from one diamond to another for your games, you need to make all efforts to get there ASAP. Umpires will be aware of when teams are in this situation but you need to hustle, your team does not have time to go to a store and pick something up on the way.

ADULT BEVERAGES

NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL, COOLERS OR FOOD, AT ANY PARK OR IN THEIR PARKING LOTS. THERE WILL BE ZERO TOLERANCE FOR THIS. DON'T RISK EXPULSION FROM THE "WORLD SERIES" FOR SOMETHING STUPID.

IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS

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