

Softball – Slow Pitch



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GENERAL INFORMATION

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DATE:

Men/Women – July 13-14, 2019
Coed – July 20-21, 2019

SITES/SCHEDULES:

Coed Games will be played at Mahoney Park Fields located at 70th & Fremont St., Lincoln

Men's & Women's games will be played at Fleming Fields located on Leighton Ave & N. 31st Street, Lincoln, NE 68504

AWARDS: Custom Cornhusker State Games gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to all members of the top three teams in each division.

ADMISSION: Admission will be charged daily at Fleming Fields venue.

Adults: \$5

Students (6-18 Years): \$2

Children (5 & Younger): FREE

Admission with Super Pass: FREE

All registered athletes receive a complimentary Super Pass in the athlete packet. Additional Super Passes for spectators and family members can be purchased for \$15 at CornhuskerStateGames.com. The Super Pass gains free admission to all 2019 Cornhusker State Games events and venues, including the Opening Ceremonies.

EVENTS

Event Name	Event Code
Men Comp.	1
Men Rec.	2
Women	3
Coed	4

RULES

All teams must provide umpires with approved ball prior to the start of each game. All divisions will play with the USA Softball approved 12" yellow optic red stitched ball with core of .52 and compression of .300 lbs. USA Softball rules will apply with the following home run limits:

Men Competitive: 4 home runs

Men Rec: 4 home runs

Women: 4 home runs

Coed: 2 home runs

COMPETITION FORMAT

Teams will play a round robin tournament with the top team from each bracket playing a single or double elimination tournament, depending on the number of teams in each division. Teams may play Saturday, Sunday, or both days. **All teams guaranteed four games.** Depending on # of teams in tournament - the format could be either of the following options. 3 game guarantee bracketed tournament. Otherwise teams will be put into a pool where they will play a round robin format. Top teams in each pool will move to Gold division while remaining pool teams will move to Silver division - all divisions will then be bracketed out for a single elimination tournament

The director reserves the right to reclassify teams as needed and may combine events depending on the number of entries. All teams will be notified if changes are made.

ROSTER INFO

ROSTER UPDATES:

Teams can make roster updates online at CornhuskerStateGames.com/Roster_Updates.

The deadline to make Men/Women roster updates is 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, JULY 9. Rosters are considered FINAL after that date.

The deadline to make COED roster updates is 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, JULY 16. Rosters are considered FINAL after that date.

Roster additions after July 8 will include the per-player entry fee, plus a \$10 late fee PER PLAYER.

MINIMUM ROSTER SIZE: Nine players. If registering online, the minimum roster size must be entered to advance to check-out.

MAXIMUM ROSTER SIZE: 15 players.

NOTE: Rosters WILL be checked during tournament. Please make sure your roster is current prior to the July 9 & 16 deadline.

TEAM WAIVER: The team waiver form must be signed by each team member, or by parent/guardian if the participant is 18 years or younger. If the team is registered online, and the online waiver for each player is clicked as 'Accepted', no printed/signed waiver is needed. **All team waivers must be clicked as 'Accepted' or submitted to the Cornhusker State Games office by TUESDAY, JULY 9 & 16 to be eligible for competition.** Printable waiver forms and further instructions at CornhuskerStateGames.com/Waivers.

ATHLETE PACKETS & TEAM BOXES

Choose the Shipping Option and get a Free Arby's Sandwich!

Save time, avoid hassles and receive your CSG gear more than a week before the Opening Ceremonies by shipping your athlete packet (\$10) or team box (\$15). Athlete packets contain the athlete shirt and Super Pass. Athlete packets will begin to ship in June. The packet shipping option will only be available for those registered by the final entry deadline. If you don't choose the shipping option, you will need to pick up your athlete packet or team box.

JOIN US AT SPORTFEST AND OPENING CEREMONIES ON JULY 19!

Make plans to join us on Friday, July 19 at Lincoln East High and Seacrest Field for SportFest and the Opening Ceremonies!

SportFest | 4:30 – 7 p.m. | Lincoln East High School

SportFest is the pre-Opening Ceremonies party for Athletes and their families and includes a free meal for anyone with a Super Pass. Meal is provided by Arby's, Pepsi, Frito-Lay and Hiland Dairy.

Opening Ceremonies | 8 p.m. | Seacrest Field

Program includes: Parade of Athletes, Skydivers (Lincoln Sport Parachute Club), Introductions, Presentation of Colors (Nebraska National Guard), National Anthem, Oath of Athletes, Mascot Showcase/Shirt Cannons, Featured Entertainment, Torch Lighting Ceremony (Mystery Torchlighter), Fireworks, Photos/Autographs and more.

REGISTRATION FEES & DEADLINES

For pricing and dates, please check the Slow Pitch Softball web page.

ENTRY FEE INCLUDES: Competition in the 2019 Cornhusker State Games; White cotton athlete shirt (micro-fiber or soft cotton lightweight tri-blend upgrade available); Pass for free admission to SportFest, the Opening Ceremonies, and all competition venues; Sponsor gifts and coupons.

UMPIRE FEES: Each team must bring \$10 in cash to the coin-flip of each game played for the umpire fees. This makes it fair for all teams and assures that the teams who get eliminated early don't have to pay as much for the umpire fees as the teams who continue to advance. **Per player entry fees have been discounted to account for this charge.**

TEAM ONLINE REGISTRATION NOTE: When registering your team online, please note that the system will ask you to enter your team name and roster *prior* to selecting your sport and division. In the INDIVIDUAL Shipping dropdown menu, be sure to select "TEAM" for each team member. **If you wish to have your team packet shipped, you will select that in the TEAM Shipping dropdown menu.**

PAPER ENTRY FORMS: Paper entry forms will be accepted with a \$10 processing fee per team. Registering online at CornhuskerStateGames.com saves time, money and trees. If registering via the paper entry form, please rate your team as being Above Average, Average or Below Average. List this information in the Additional Details/Special Instructions section of the entry form.

SCHEDULING NOTE: It is Nebraska Sports Council policy to not release team or divisional information until after the entry deadline. With teams waiting until on or near the deadline to enter, releasing data prior to that day does not provide an accurate picture of the tournament field and serves only to discourage those taking a wait-and-see approach.

All teams are encouraged to take advantage of the early entry discount and enter prior to that deadline, which in turn generates additional interest as teams attract one another. In the rare event that a division does not supply enough teams to warrant a viable tournament, teams will be given the option to move to another division, or be issued a refund. We appreciate the understanding of coaches and parents on this matter and would encourage teams to enter early and trust that there will be adequate competition in all divisions.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Sport Specific Questions: Softball Director Luke Derowitsch at (402)314-4052, or lukederowitsch@gmail.com

Online Registration/Website Questions: Contact the Cornhusker State Games office at 402-471-2544 or info@nebraskasportscouncil.com.