



Entry Fee/Deadline:
\$550, payment must be received by July 16, 2013

Dates of play:
Tues., July 30-Thur., Aug 1 Men's 65, 70, 75, 80
Fri., Aug 2-Sun., Aug 4 Men's 50, 55, 60
Fri., Aug 2-Sun., Aug 4 Women's 50 - 70
Sat., Aug 3-Sun., Aug 4 40-Masters

Please Note: SSWC reserves the right to combine divisions of 3 or fewer teams within one age level and/or skill level. SSWC will make every effort to notify managers when divisions have to be combined.

Tournament Format:
This is a ring option tournament. 5 scheduled games, pool play into D.E. or 3-Game-Guarantee elimination brackets.

Field:
Walnut Creek Softball Complex
1201 Sunnybrook Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27610

Headquarters Hotel:
Holiday Inn North Capital Boulevard
2805 Highwoods Blvd.
Raleigh, NC 27604
Phone: (919) 872-3500

For more information regarding additional hotel properties, tentative field assignments and special events for this tournament, please visit our tournament page at www.seniorsoftball.com. Click on "Tournaments" and then "EASTERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS".



INVOICE

2013 EASTERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. TEAM NAME _____
2. CITY/STATE _____
3. QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT _____
PLEASE NOTE: LIST ONLY ONE QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT
4. MANAGER'S NAME _____
5. SUBMITTED BY _____
6. STREET _____
7. CITY/STATE/ZIP _____
8. TELEPHONE _____
9. E-MAIL _____

(Circle One)

AGE DIVISION:	MEN	40+	50+	55+	60+	65+	70+	75+	80+
	WOMEN	40+	50+	55+	60+	65+	70+		

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Make Check Payable To: SSWC

Return check and invoice To:
**Eastern National Championships
2701 K Street, Suite 101A
Sacramento, CA 95816**

*or pay by Visa/MasterCard/Discover Card
by calling (916) 326-5303
(There is a 3% bank charge for all credit card payments)*

DEADLINE: Your entry must be received by July 16, 2013.

Please see Roster Restrictions included in this packet.

Note: By returning this invoice and payment, teams agree to play in the skill level determined by Senior Softball-USA that are posted on the website www.seniorsoftball.com

National & World Championships 2013 • Roster Considerations

The Eastern/Western Nationals and World Masters Championships are the premier events on the SSUSA Tournament calendar. Teams participating in these events must designate a "Qualifying Roster" from a prior SSUSA event to be used as the starting point for their roster.

The SSUSA believes that –

- a. Participating teams should play at the Nationals and World Masters with the same roster, or as close as reasonably possible, to the roster they used in their designated Qualifying tournament. There is a 'level playing field' only with continuity in roster composition from the Qualifying roster to the Nationals and World Masters rosters;
- b. Due to a variety of legitimate circumstances, some teams may not be able to bring the exact same players to the Nationals and World Masters that were on their Qualifying roster;
- c. There be provisions in the rules to fairly address the roster issues facing some teams; and
- d. Any team participating in the Nationals and World Masters with 'roster exemption players' should have up to five reserves available on their roster. Thus, teams that add players, and normally play with ten defensive players, will have a roster limit of 15 players, and teams that normally play with 11 defensive players will have a roster limit of 16 players. **NOTE:** An invited team may have more than 15/16 players on its Nationals or World Masters roster if that team is not adding 'roster exemption players' for the National or World Masters.

"Special Roster Rules" For All Men's and Women's Divisions –

- e. If a participating team has at least 15 (or 16, depending on the number of defensive players normally used) from the original Qualifying roster planning on attending the Nationals or World Masters, that team is prohibited from adding 'roster exemption players';
- f. If a participating team has less than six players remaining from the original Qualifying roster, that team is considered a 'new team' and is not eligible to participate in the 2013 Nationals or World Masters;
- g. Managers may request to add players who are regular members of the team, but were not able to attend the Qualifying tournament. Managers must APPLY to SSUSA for approval of these players in writing thirty (30) days before the start of the event. These players are approved or denied on an individual basis;
- h. If a participating team's roster falls below 12/13 players, the team MAY APPLY TO ADD players until it reaches the 12/13 player level. These players must be from the SAME age group in the SAME or LOWER skill level. Managers must APPLY to SSUSA for approval of these players in writing thirty (30) days before the start of the event. These players are approved or denied on an individual basis.
- i. If a participating team's roster falls below the 15/16 limit, the team will be able to add players until it reaches the 15/16 player level. These players must be from the next OLDER age group in the SAME or LOWER skill level. Managers must notify SSUSA in writing thirty (30) days before the start of the event, of the players the team is adding;
- j. Any player from the original Qualifying roster not planning to attend the Nationals or World Masters and who's spot on the Nationals or World Masters roster was filled by a 'roster exemption player' is considered removed from the Qualifying roster. That player is not eligible to participate in the Nationals or World Masters unless a recently added 'roster exemption player' is removed from the Nationals or World Masters roster and the original player is reinstated to both rosters, thereby maintaining the 15/16 player roster limit; and
- k. Women's Senior teams and Men's 80+ teams are generally exempt from these Qualifying roster provisions and may add otherwise eligible (as to age and residency) players to their Nationals or World Masters roster, up to a maximum of 20 players.

'**Roster Exemption Player**' requests may be sent to SSUSA by e-mail to george@seniorsoftball.com or by fax to (916) 326.5304. Congratulations to the invited teams and Good Luck!

Inquiries are always welcome in the SSUSA offices at (916) 326.5303.