

Managers, please do the following:

1. Carefully read the letter below
2. Bring a copy of **2018 Season USSSA Roster/Registration with manager signature-Make sure all your players are on your roster to be eligible on Brackets Page if playing at BLD for each Tournament**
3. Bring copies of Birth Certificates or State Issue ID Card
4. Bring a copy of Proof of Insurance with proper coverage dates
5. Print a copy of the current tournament rules (**Make sure to review Pitching Limits & Bat requirements**)
6. Get directions to the park

Dear Managers,

Team check-in is mandatory with tournament director (1 hour prior to your first game). **You MUST check-in prior to playing your first game.** We will need a copy of an updated 2017 season USSSA team roster/registration and copies of birth certificates or state issued ID cards for each player. Players do not need to be present at check-in. Teams not registered with USSSA for the 2018 season will need to do so online at www.ussa.com. Teams will NOT be able to register at the tournament and all players added or deleted must be done online prior to check-in. **Players may NOT be penciled in on your rosters.** Players will not play if a birth certificate/ID card is not available for verification at check-in. Age cut off is **May 1st, 2018.** (e.g., 12U player can't turn 13 prior to May 1st, 2018). Players may play up, but not down in age.

Check the website daily for schedule revisions. Arizona USSSA reserves the right to modify the brackets should scheduling conflicts arise. The bracket schedule displayed at check-in supersedes all other revisions. Recheck brackets online the night before tournament starts.

The Tournament hotline for **weather updates on the bracket page of the website.** Playoff seedings after pool play will be posted directly on your schedule online thru USSSA website. Pitching Tracking will be on USSSA schedule website.

Please have your team ready to play up to 15 minutes prior to the posted game time in case of a run rule in a prior game. This will help us to stay on schedule.

Steel cleats may not be worn on portable mounds at any of the parks. Make sure the pitchers have an extra pair of shoes to pitch in. The Umpires will strictly enforce this and eject managers if not followed!

**No Hitting Stations will be allowed on the grass at any park!
Gates will open 1 hour prior to first game.**

Victory Lane Sports Park is a private Park and has a daily gate charge of \$4.00 for spectators 13 & older. All Players & Spectators 12 & Under are admitted free of charge. Two manager/coaches per team will be allowed in for free each day, they will have to sign in at the front gate each day under their team name. Once

the 2 names are signed in, no other names can be added. No exceptions for the free daily entries of the 2 manager/coaches per team.

This park is a private facility that offers many amenities. Concessions will be available from three locations including a 2nd story sports grill. Hot Breakfast items are available in the mornings at the park along with many new items.

No outside food or drinks may be brought into the park (**Bags will be checked**) with the exception of the **manager** of each team may bring in one 5 gallon water cooler (barrel style) for a game. This cooler can only contain ice and water and must remain in the dugout. The baseball teams will be responsible for the water and ice in their cooler ... the park will not be selling ice or water for team water coolers. **This cooler policy is for teams only.** The park reserves the right to inspect a team cooler at anytime. Also ... individual players can bring in a 1 gallon bottle of water in lieu of the team water cooler. I'd advise to freeze the water bottle. Park has refrigerated water fountains and swamp coolers in each of the 12 field dugouts. Water fountains are also located near the concession areas. No ice chests are allowed. Steel cleats may only be worn only on the playing fields and no pets are allowed. Drinking of alcoholic beverages is not allowed in the parking lot at anytime. The park attendants will strictly enforce this.

Rio Vista Park/Pioneer Park/Snedigar Sports Park/Red Mtn & Gene Autry Parks have no gate fees. Concessions will be available at most venues. Teams must provide own water/jugs for the dugouts, Ice may be available for purchase at concession stands. No Smoking allowed in the parks. **No alcohol** allowed in these parks or parking lots. Any one caught with alcohol including parking lot will be reported to the police and thrown out of the park for the entire tournament.

Team & Individual Awards will be given out to the top two teams in each age group for Majors, AAA, AA Divisions. Additionally, the top Team in each division also qualify for a USSSA World Series Berth.

Teams will be directed to a designated awards presentation area.

It is your team's responsibility to claim their awards at the tournament. Awards will not be mailed unless the team pays for shipping and handling fees in advance.

Finally, I would like to thank the players, parents and coaches for choosing to play in this tournament. I realize there are many tournaments from which to choose. I want to make this tournament an enjoyable experience for everyone, especially the players. Please feel free to call upon the tournament staff or myself to service you in any way.

Sincerely,

Eric Bell

AZ State Director

USSSA Baseball

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