

THE NATIONAL SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION



PRESENTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH
DAZZLERS SOFTBALL and NSA of NEW YORK STATE

23rd Annual 2021 GREATER BUFFALO NSA NATIONAL QUALIFIERS

HELD IN
HAMBURG, NEW YORK

12u, 16u, 18u

FRIDAY JULY 9th SATURDAY JULY 10th and SUNDAY JULY 11th, 2021
Some teams will play first round games starting in the afternoon Friday

10u and 14u

FRIDAY JULY 16th SATURDAY JULY 17th and SUNDAY JULY 18th, 2021
Some teams will play first round games starting in the afternoon Friday

*****THIS IS OPEN TO ALL UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN TEAMS*****
All teams must be NSA sanctioned and have a valid 2021 number

\$595.00 Entry Fee

or receive a **\$25.00** discount and pay **\$570.00**
if your entry is received by January 1st 2021

4 Game Guarantee (Weather Permitting)

and we use 2 NSA Sanctioned umpires per game... all age groups

Note: Full Refund if out of state and area teams cannot participate do to any Covid-19 restrictions

ENTRY DEADLINE IS JUNE 10th 2021

Direct all inquires to Tournament Director:

ED WARHOL (716)480-9698 email: amished@roadrunner.com or ewarhol@playnsa.com

10u, 12u, 14u, 16u, and 18u
**GREATER BUFFALO NSA
QUALIFIERS**

2021 TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

TEAM NAME _____

AGE DIVISION _____ NSA 2021 SANCTION NUMBER _____

2021 TEAM INSURANCE POLICY # _____ CARRIER _____

Please send copy along with your registration form. Note: Receive an additional \$20.00 discount off of your entry fee if you carry NSA Westpoint Insurance.

COACHES / MANAGERS INFORMATION

NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY or TOWN _____ STATE _____

COUNTRY _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ CELL _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

PLEASE RETURN TO:

EDWARD WARHOL
56 SHERBURN DR
HAMBURG, NY 14075

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: NSA OF WESTERN NEW YORK

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OR

receive a \$25.00 discount and pay \$570.00us *if received by January 1st 2021*

23rd ANNUAL GREATER BUFFALO NSA WORLD SERIES NATIONAL QUALIFIERS

SOFTBALL ENTHUSIAST,

We are very proud to announce the 23rd annual "GREATER BUFFALO" NSA WORLD SERIES NATIONAL QUALIFIERS. Every year our tournament teams representing the Northeast vie for our prestigious championships and a berth to the NSA Nationals for the following year. Past years have brought teams in from CANADA, MAINE, MARYLAND, MICHIGAN, NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, OHIO and PENNSYLVANIA

If you think your team has what it takes- come on and enter our tournament. We would love hosting your team and having them leave with a great softball experience that they will never forget.

This tournament is also required for all New York State Teams and Canada teams that have earned World Series berths from tournament play or want a World Series directors berths for the 2021 year.

ARTICLE XVII CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY TOURNAMENTS (State, National Qualifiers and World Series)

All sanctioned tournaments conducted by a State or Area Director shall be conducted in accordance within the Rules and Regulations of the Association. That director must ensure that proper administration is being conducted at all times.

~ **Tournament entry fees: \$595.00us or receive a \$25.00us discount and pay \$570.00us** if entry fee is received by January 1st 2021 Make check payable to: **NSA of Western New York**

Forward to: EDWARD WARHOL,
56 SHERBURN DR.
HAMBURG, NY 14075

ANY QUESTIONS OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT

Ed Warhol (716) 480-9698

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(tournament director)

ABOUT OUR COMPLEXES

We have 12 diamonds with 5 lighted between 4 complexes, all within a 5 mile area. We are located in Hamburg, N.Y., which is a suburb 10 miles south of Buffalo. Buffalo is located in the Western portion of New York State. Hamburg has many hotels and restaurants for out of town teams. Many area attractions are close by. Buffalo waterfront, Niagara Falls, 6 Flags Darien Lake Theme Park / Resort

LODGING INFORMATION and DIAMOND LOCATIONS

You can get all your hotel or motel information and diamond locations by going to our NSA Tournament website. This site list all the latest information. You can book your rooms right online. This list contains many choices and price ranges.

WEBSITE: www.playnsa.com/tournamentsearch.aspx Click on youth and then click New York State on the map.

Select and click on which tournament and age group you are entering. Click on Hotel tab. Note: You can also sign up for this tournament with a valid 2021 NSA Sanction number.

NSA of NEW YORK ENTRY AND WEATHER REFUND POLICY

We in NSA of NEW YORK STATE would like to take this opportunity to convey to all teams some new policies that we have been forced to implement that began with the Spring 2020 tournament season. The past few years have seen more and more teams "shopping for tournaments". We understand most of the rationale behind this but also need to be sensitive to the impact this has on other teams and tournaments as a whole. When teams sign up for tournaments. Payments must be received, in order to secure your spot. We can no longer hold your spot and list you as a team entered without payment. It gives a false pretense to other teams as to who is playing and how many teams. Also, cutoff dates are established in part, to not only know who is playing but also this is the point where fields, umpires etc are committed to that date and fees paid that are not refundable. Therefore the following policies are being implemented within NSA of NEW YORK STATE.

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- 1- If a team registers for an NSA tournament and we have received payment, they are committed to NSA that weekend and we then can inform other teams that the particular team is definitely in our tournament by listing them as a team entered.
- 2- Any team dropping before the cutoff date will be free to do so but will be charged an administration fee as follows: Before 3 months **\$25.00 fee**. 2-3 months **\$50.00 fee** will be charged. 1-2 months **\$75.00 fee**. Less than 1 month **\$100 fee**. If a team drops after the cutoff date and schedules and times have been published, there will be **NO REFUND** of the entry fee.

RAIN.WEATHER POLICY—even though a tournament may not play due to a total rain out, there are costs associated with setting up the event that must be paid. Directors do not intend to make up all the fees they are obligated for in a rain out but administrative fees are necessary to defray some costs.

- a. If a tournament is totally rained out. Your entry fee will be refunded minus \$75.
- b. **No refund** if tournament has been completed and awards given out. Tournament is considered completed when at least **75%** of the games are played, winners determined, and awards presented. In a 4 game format if a team plays only 1 game prior to cancellation the refund will be **70%** of the entry fee, 2 games played **45%** and 3 games played **20%**.

We believe that this policy is very fair as it compares to other associations policies on this subject such as ASA, USSSA etc.

Thank you for playing NSA
Edward Warhol
NSA of New York State Director.

GREATER BUFFALONSA NATIONAL QUALIFIERS TOURNAMENT RULES

1. All teams must be NSA registered. All Teams must have team insurance No exceptions. A weekend NSA Westpoint insurance policy is included in your tournament fee. Your NSA official roster including your team sanction number, is the only acceptable means of registration verification, and must be with the team at all times. Parents and players signatures must be on the printed roster. Proof of insurance and birth certificates must be available upon request. **YOU MUST REGISTER YOUR TEAM ONLINE.**
2. NSA official rules will apply. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** The notification of intent to protest must be made immediately before the next pitch. (exception: Player eligibility, this must be filed before the end of the game.) All protests require a fee of seventy-five dollars (see rule 11 sec 4 in the NSA rule book)
3. **Ages:** as of December 31st 2020
4. **Roster:** Only the NSA official roster will be accepted, and a copy must be handed in to the tournament director or field supervisor before the start of your first game. It must be signed by all players and parents if under 18. A copy of your Westpoint insurance must be available. If you are purchasing a weekend policy, the director will have it on hand. Registration tables will be available at all complexes. All team rosters are limited to twenty (20) players.
5. **Tournament format:** shall be round robin on Fri/ Sat, into single elimination play game on Sunday. There is a four game guarantee. Should there be inclement weather. The tournament director reserves the right to change the tournament format and guaranteed number of games. See rain out refund policy.
6. Teams must be available to play 15 minutes before game time.
7. Home team in all round robin games, is to be determined by the flip of the coin. Teams must have their own official scorer. Home team is the higher seed in all elimination games.
8. No infield or batting practice on game diamonds.
9. Games will be seven (7) innings except: **(a)** No new inning will start after 1:30 mins. of play.
(b) International tiebreaker after seven (7) innings if time is still remaining , **however pool games can end in a tie.** The NSA will use the 12, 10, and 8 run rule in all tournament play. If one team is 12, 10 or 8 runs ahead after 3, 4 or 5 innings, or after 2 ½, 3 ½, or 4 ½ innings if the home team is ahead by 12, 10 or 8 or more runs respectively, the team with the 12, 10 or 8 run lead shall be the winner.
10. Championship games will have no time limit. The run rule will be in effect as stated in no. 9
11. Seeds for Sundays elimination round will be determined after the last games are completed from Saturdays round robin format. This will be determined by: (a) best over-all record
(b) least amount of runs allowed. (c) runs scored (d) coin flip
Note: Forfeits are recorded as a 7 - 0 score
12. Players may play for only one team and one age group during the weekend, even if their team is eliminated.
13. The Greater Buffalo NSA tournament director, reserves the right to change the rules as required. **FOR OFFICIAL NSA RULES. Check out the NSA National website: www.playnsa.com**