

**MASSACHUSETTS JUNIOR OLYMPIC SOFTBALL  
APPLICATION FOR NON-CHAMPIONSHIP  
TOURNAMENT SANCTION 2012 SEASON**

Name of Tournament: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsoring Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/ State/ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament City/ Park: \_\_\_\_\_

Tournament Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Age (please circle)      10U    12U    14U    16U    18U    23U

Division (please circle only one)    A        B        C        INVITATIONAL OR OPEN TO ALL

Entry Fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Maximum Number of Teams: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Assigning ASA Umpires for this Tournament: \_\_\_\_\_

(ASA Assignor MUST be approved by local ASA Commissioner for insurance to be in effect for umpires & teams)

Phone Number for Person Assigning ASA Umpires: \_\_\_\_\_

As a condition of obtaining such sanction, the above organization agrees to abide and be governed by the rules and regulations on non-championship tournaments as set forth in the ASA Code, Article 522C and by those regulations as set forth by the MASS ASA. (See page two and three for details)

Organizations can only select one division (A, B or C) per tournament weekend. Multiple divisions in one tournament weekend will NOT be allowed. Division A tournaments can accept Class B teams but NOT class C teams. Division B tournaments can accept Class C teams but NOT class A teams. Class C tournaments can ONLY accept Class C teams, no Class A or Class B teams allowed.

Only 1 Class C tournament will be allowed per age division per weekend.

Tournaments MUST have a minimum of a 1 hour 30 minute time limit, with no drop dead time. Exceptions will be allowed in cases of bad weather.

Organizations must submit a copy of their tournament rules with this form.

Please send completed form and \$50 per age division (made payable to MASS ASA) to:

Wayne Coe  
30 Morton Street  
Leominster, MA 01453

This application must be received by the MASS ASA no later than January 1, 2012 or it will be subject to an additional late fee of \$25 per age division.

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**OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Date received: \_\_\_\_\_

Date sent to local ASA: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee received: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved/ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_

To: All MASS ASA Local JO Tournament Directors

From: Wayne R. Coe, Deputy State JO Commissioner

Re: New Local Tournament Sanctioning Procedures

Beginning October 1, 2010, a new local tournament sanctioning policy will be in effect.

All Local Tournament Sanction forms must be completed and submitted with a check or money order for \$50 per age division to the Deputy State JO Commissioner by January 1. All Sanction forms submitted after this date are subject to a \$25 per age division late fee.

Local Tournament Sanction forms will be submitted by the Deputy State JO Commissioner to the appropriate local area ASA UIC for approval. The local area UIC has until January 15 to review and approve said tournaments. Approvals will be made based on the availability of ASA umpires in the area along with a review of other ASA events taking place in that area and adjacent areas. Please note that cashing of a check does not constitute approval of the tournament. If a tournament is not approved, a full refund will be issued.

Once the tournament has been approved by the local ASA UIC, a sanction certificate will be e-mailed to the tournament director. This certificate **MUST** be displayed at all times during the tournament. The tournament will also be listed on the MASS ASA JO website under local tournaments. Tournaments are encouraged to send a flyer that will be attached to this website, so teams can download it to register.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Preference will be given to those teams, leagues, or organizations that agree to host a MASS ASA JO Championship event (National Qualifier, States, or Regionals)

Class A tournaments can accept Class A or Class B teams. No Class C teams will be allowed to play in Class A events. Class B tournaments can accept Class B or Class C teams. No Class A teams allowed. Class C tournaments can accept only Class C teams. No Class A or Class B teams will be allowed.

'A' tournaments **CANNOT** be held on the same weekend as 'A' State Championships or the 'A' Regionals. They may be held on 'B' State or 'B' Regional weekend so long as the local ASA area or adjacent area is not hosting a 'B' Championship event. The local ASA Commissioner or Deputy State JO Commissioner may supercede this.

'B' tournaments **CANNOT** be held on the same weekend as the 'B' State Championships or the 'B' Regionals. They may be held on 'A' State or 'A' Regional weekend so long as the local ASA area or adjacent area is not hosting an 'A' Championship event. The local ASA Commissioner or Deputy State JO Commissioner may supercede this.

'C' tournaments **CANNOT** be held on the same weekend as the 'C' State Championships. The local ASA Commissioner or Deputy State JO Commissioner may supercede this.

Tournaments that have been approved to hold a local ASA tournament during the same weekend as an ASA Championship event MUST refund a team's entry fee in full if they give a two weeks notice to the tournament director that they are dropping out in order to play in the ASA Championship event. Teams must furnish the tournament director proof of entry and final standings from the ASA Championship event prior to receiving a refund.

In order to receive sanctioning by the MASS ASA, the tournament agrees to the following: (ASA Code Article 522C)

Only ASA-registered teams are eligible to participate. A list of currently registered teams is available on the MAJOASA.ORG website under registrations. League teams MUST also be registered as travel teams in order to participate in local ASA sanctioned tournaments. This is in order for your insurance as well as the umpire's insurance to be in effect for your tournament.

All entry forms and websites MUST display 'Sanctioned by the MASS ASA'

Teams must complete ASA rosters and have them available to the tournament director at all times. This MUST be listed on all entry forms and e-mails to the teams.

ASA registered umpires MUST be used. Tournaments must contact the local ASA Commissioner a minimum of two weeks prior to the start of the tournament in order to schedule umpires. The MASS ASA has a list of the local ASA Commissioner for your area. Two umpires are recommended for 14A, 16A, & 18U events.

Tournaments must have a website that list teams entered into this event. Once the tournament has been completed, the tournament must submit to the MASS ASA the final results of the event. This will be posted on the MASS ASA JO website.

Tournaments must have a minimum time limit of 1 hour 30 minutes. The time limit cannot be a drop dead time. Once an inning begins and time expires, the inning must be completed per ASA rules. Exceptions to this rule will be allowed in cases of inclement weather.

Tournaments must send out single elimination seeded brackets with teams' pool play schedules. Tournament directors will also inform teams how they will receive their single elimination schedules once pool play has been completed. Tournament Directors are prohibited from hosting tournament where brackets are not made available prior to the start of the tournament. Exceptions are made for weather related schedule changes.