

## Tournament Directors-

The USSSA Director's Website continues to be updated. The process will continue making updates and improvements. The Help Site continues to update and show different features that have been added. That link is available below.

Tournament Directors- must list Tournaments on <http://dc.ussa.com> **This was new last year.** Tournament Directors will list tournaments, post rules that are tournament specific, update pool play scores, bracket scores, update pitching game by game and update order of finish. This will award USSSA Points.

Director Help Site <http://help.ussa.com>

Director Information and Resource Center. Built to provide training materials and other resources need for directors.

- Centralized Location for Program Resources, Forms, etc.
  - Forms
  - Images & Marketing Materials
- Training Materials for USSSA Programs and Websites.
  - Articles
  - Videos
- Communication
  - Sport Communication from Vice Presidents
  - Association Updates and News
  - Announcements and Offers

## Tournaments-

If they are on the [National Website](#), they have been or will be approved. If they are not on the National Website, they are not USSSA Sanctioned Events.

## National Convention Meeting

No Major Rule changes for 2018, but those that have been changed are posted and in **yellow**.  
[CLICK HERE](#)

[USSSA Tournament Point System](#)

## Sanction-

If you haven't updated your Team/Coach Information on the State Website, [CLICK HERE](#)

If you haven't registered/sanctioned your team for 2018 on the National Web Site, [CLICK HERE](#)

If you need Team Name Change, birthday edits, start with me. [Click Here](#) to e-mail. I'll work with the National Office if need be.

Insurance, Registrations, Rosters, Questions in general, best you work through me individually on topic. I'll do whatever I can to help you or get the answers you need. [Click Here](#) to e-mail.

## **Classifications-**

**“A” teams must register “AA” first and then have entire roster online to request a move to “A” by contacting [State Director](#).**

Teams need to start where they finished last year. Some teams were moved up for the start of 2018.

ANY TEAM THAT WON THE 2017 STATE TOURNAMENT OR FINISHED THE 2017 SEASON WITH 1100 POWER POINTS WERE MOVED UP..

**Nebraska USSSA highly recommends if you find your team in the 1000 to 1100 range during the season that you make sure to play tournament games in the higher classification to provide us information in making classification decisions. Otherwise expect a move up.**

8u Classifications, only “AAA” this year. For the State Tournament, the 8u age group will remain as “AAA” but we will split into 2 or 3 skill levels using USSSA Points plus Power Points. The splits may or may not be equal numbers depending on the complexes that we have to play and the numbers we have at the 8u level. After we split into skill levels we will seed each using USSSA Points plus USSSA Power Points. All others age groups are “A,” “AA,” “AAA” & Major.

## **MISC-**

All Tournaments that have been approved will show on the National Website. Teams that would like to play in a USSSA WS or a Global WS must play in a USSSA Qualifier or Global Qualifier and their State Tournament. [Click Here](#) to e-mail if you have questions about playing Post Season.

Tournament REQUIREMENTS- **All in Nebraska must Track Pitching** online. NIT's and Global NIT's must use two umpires for 11-14. We have lifted the requirement of two umpires for 8-10 age groups. Please let me know if anyone uses one at age above for USSSA sanctioned events.

Teams looking for games link will become available April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Teams seeking players link is already active and has been for quite a while.

8<sup>th</sup> Annual Nebraska All State Showcase- **JULY 21** We need volunteer coaches. If you would like to coach a team in this event, [Click Here](#) to e-mail.

Battle of the Borders- The 1<sup>st</sup>- 4<sup>th</sup> place teams from each age and classification received the first opportunity to represent. If an age group had Gold/Silver, the Gold teams had the first opportunity.

Nebraska Double Point Weekends- April 6-8 & June 1-3..

**4<sup>th</sup> year: Global State. Global State is now worth 400 pts.** Major/AAA Global State will be May 19-20 AA/A Global State will be May 26-27. **8u AAA Global State will be held May 26-27 weekend.**

## **Nebraska USSSA State Tournament Sites & Dates- [Click Here](#)** **Sites & Dates are subject to change.**

Will be posted on the State Website. Locations on some have to wait. Many times it depends on how many enter and who is hosting.

Entry Deadline, Seeding date, Gold Silver split date will be posted on the State Website.

**AGAIN THIS YEAR-** If a classification and age group needs to be split Gold/Silver, we will use USSSA Points plus Power Points to make that split. That split may not always be equal numbers. Sometimes the complexes we use and the number of teams we have dictate the numbers we need when making a split. There is an outside chance that we may have to go to a Gold/Silver/Bronze split in some age and classifications. After the split, we will seed using criteria listed below.

Seeding for State will use USSSA Points plus USSSA Power Points.

State locations are tough, but we will announce as soon as we can on some. Others sometimes have to wait until after the Gold/Silver split takes place. We can't commit to a location early and then find out that team that is going to host is not in that classification split, thus we have to wait. Gold/Silver/Bronze is always a possibility in some age groups.

If a team is dropped in classification, they must play in Gold. A Silver team may not request to play up, or vice versa.

Post Season Play has been announced on [www.usssabaseball.org](http://www.usssabaseball.org) Make sure to double check dates if you are interested in one.

**9AA, 11AA, 12AA, 13AA World Series & 14AAA 60/90 World Series will be held in the Omaha / Council Bluffs Metro. [Click Here](#)** to e-mail and let me know if you plan to attend. I encourage you to enter now or as early as possible. It will encourage others from a distance to see the interest in these events. If it ends up not working out, we will give you a full refund.