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Manager,

Welcome to the 2009 season. Please take the time to review these new rule changes.

At the NCSSA General Membership meeting this past December, it was voted by the membership to use the SS-USA rulebook, with NCSSA exceptions.

The General Membership voted to register all NCSSA teams with SS-USA. An additional fee of \$20.00 will be assessed for registering your team with SS-USA. This will consist of you receiving a rulebook, registration for any SS-USA tournament, and a subscription to the Senior Softball Magazine for each player on your roster. By having all NCSSA teams registered with SS-USA, the NCSSA Tournament Directors will have insurance available for a reasonable price from SS-USA.

Registration fee for NCSSA will still be \$10.00. The total fee for 2009 is \$30.00 payable when you submit your 2009 roster.

Listed are some of the rule changes 2009. Please consult the SS-USA rulebook and the sheet of NCSSA rules for exact wording.

1. No run through at second or third. Sliding permitted.
2. Home team may go one up in homeruns in the bottom of the last inning.
3. Flip flop rule is after 10 run differential, but must be approved by both managers.
4. SS-USA's rule on hitting the pitcher will not be enacted by NCSSA.
5. NCSSA roster limited to 20 players.
6. Mat and plate dimensions are 19x34½. The plate does not need to be identified within the mat. The defensive player need only touch any part of the mat to record an out.
7. Touching the plate and first base are no longer appeal plays, but should be called by the umpire.
8. Five Team Bracket – All games will be played as regulation games and teams who are scheduled to play each other twice will receive either ½ of a win, or ½ of a loss for each game played. The home and visitor roles will be switched for the second game played between the two teams.
9. Players are restricted to one roster with the exception that a 75+ player can be on two rosters of different age groups.

Be sure to read the tournament flyers closely. Some tournaments may have additional rules or changes to the rules of the NCSSA and SS-USA. You should be aware of these before you enter the tournament.

Managers, please assist us in getting all players up to speed concerning these rule changes. Some of these rule changes were prompted by safety concerns, and others were determined to be what the majority of players wanted. It is our job together to make this a smooth transition.

Good Luck in 2009

Gary Tryhorn, President