



Northern Regional Softball 2014

General Information

1. Format: The winner and runner-up from each area will be placed in a pre drawn, eight team bracket for a double elimination tournament in each class.
2. Coaches Responsibilities: Area winner and runner-up email roster and area game results to Ralph.stone@huntsvilleal.gov immediately upon completion of final area game.
3. Coaches Meeting: Each coach must attend a pre-game meeting one hour prior to each team's first game in the tournament. The meeting will be held in the pavilion between the two, three field complexes.
4. Pass Gate: All players and coaches will enter through the pass gate on the southwest side of the complex. Prior to your first game check in at the Pass Gate to receive your team credentials. **Team credentials are for the players, managers and coaches. Do not share credentials with parents or others as they will not be allowed to enter.**
5. Warm Up Area: limited area between the two three field complexes or in right or left field behind the fences of each outfield. No batting cages are on site. If any teams need a practice field during the tournament contact Ralph Stone 256-603-1939. I will make every effort to locate a field for you to use close to the complex.
6. Lodging: Lodging for May 9-10th will be at a premium in Huntsville. The Huntsville Sports Commission is holding rooms for this event. If you need lodging contact Gina Conard at 256-427-6749, **as soon as you qualify**, for reservations. Only teams that have qualified will be eligible for these rooms.
7. Bus Parking: All buses will park in the back of the parking area beyond the pass gate, in the grass field in front of the complex, or in a single file along the entrance/ exit. We ask that bus drivers stay with their bus or give us a cell phone number so that we can communicate with them if needed. A parking attendant will get information from the driver. Additional bus parking may be required at an off site location and drivers will be shuttled back to the complex.
8. **Player Parking: Carpool or busing players is highly recommended. Parking is very limited and we need you to limit the number of vehicles as much as possible.**

9. **Spectator Parking: Parking is limited and off site parking will be located at Milton Frank Stadium (3251 Ivy Avenue SW, Huntsville, AL 35805). Shuttle will transport to and from Milton Frank Stadium on a continuous loop. Please enter Milton Frank Parking Lot from the South Gate Entrance.**
Parking will be \$3.00 per car.

10. **Schedule:** Games are on a one hour and thirty minute schedule. With as many games as we will play, it is critical to get teams on and off the field as quickly as possible. Please help us to stay on schedule. The area winner on the top of the bracket is the home team for the first game, thereafter; a coin toss will determine the home team. Each area winner may choose to be the visitors in the first-round game. Home teams occupy the first base dugout and visitors in the third base dugout.