Sheer Madness
ASA/USA National Qualifier
June 17-19, 2016

REGISTRATION:

All teams must register at least 1 hour before the start of their first pool play game. Teams are encouraged to register electronically if at all possible! Copies of “proof of insurance”, an “official ASA roster”, Concussion Certificates, and ACE certification must be provided at this time, birth certificates should be able to be produced if necessary.

GAME RULES:

ALL GAME BALLS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE UMPIRES AT THE END OF THE GAME

1. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to change the tournament format at any time due to weather or any other unforeseen circumstances. In the case of rain, managers are responsible for contacting the committee to confirm game times and any rescheduling.

2. Format: 2 pool play games into Double Elimination.

3. The tournament will be played with standard ASA/USA rules in bracket play. In Pool play teams will be allowed to roster bat if they choose to do so.

4. Each team must turn in their official lineup to the home plate umpire and the opposing team, including substitutes, before the start of each game.

5. All teams must be at the field and ready to play 30 minutes prior to their scheduled game time. Games will start early if possible. There is no grace period on scheduled game time (forfeit may be called if teams are not ready at scheduled game time). Coaches are responsible for knowing their team's schedule and any changes.

6. There will be no more than 5 pitches thrown at the beginning of the game and 1 pitch between innings. This includes the throw down to second base. This rule is in effect for the entire tournament.

7. No infield warm-ups are permitted on the field between games.

8. The home book will be the official scorekeeper of the game. However, teams are expected to communicate during the course of the game to ensure correct scores.

9. Home team will be decided by a coin toss during all play for the tournament.

10. No new inning will start after 80 minutes for Pool Play. No new inning will start after 100 minutes in Bracket Play. Winners must be declared in Pool and Elimination play. The first new inning after time has expired will be played with an ITB until a winner is declared. The official game clock will start when ground rules are concluded. If the home team is ahead and batting when the 80 minute "no new inning" time limit expires the game will end when the current batter at the plate finishes her AB.

12. The team At-Bat is responsible for returning foul balls to the bucket designated for each field.

13. Each team must submit the score to ALL of the tournament directors below via text message. Please do so as promptly as possible so that we can keep the website updated with all updates. Please state both the winning
and losing teams' names and scores in the text message as well as the age group.

15. Should weather cause a need for seeding bracket play with tie-breakers, they are in order:
   Team record
   Head to Head
   Runs allowed
   Run differential
   Runs scored
   Coin toss

17. The mercy rule for all games will be 15 runs after 3 innings, 12 after 4, and 8 after 5 innings.

18. All coaches are expected to exhibit professionalism at all times and will be responsible for the behavior of the
   parents and players of their respective teams. Sportsmanship will be of the highest standard at all times.

19. All protests are to be directed to the tournament officials Mark Skapin, Lauren Sabolik, Shay Adams and
   Carmen Rodriguez. There will be a $100 protest fee, which will be refunded if the team filing the protest wins the
   protest. Rulings will be determined by the “umpire-in-chief” and are FINAL.

20. All teams must be able to provide proof of insurance, be sanctioned with ASA, produce an official ASA roster,
    provide approved concussion certificates, and provide a coach with the proper and current ACE certifications.

RAIN OUT REFUND: Total rainout (no games played on Friday, Saturday or Sunday), the refund will be $375. If a
partial tournament is played, the refund will be prorated as to number of games played. A game started is considered a
full game for refund purposes. There is no rain out date available.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS MAIN SITES:

Mark Skapin: 440-454-0267
Lauren Piechowiak 440-897-4455
Carmen Rodriguez: 440-823-7954
Shay Adams 419-733-5706

Park Rules at ALL locations
1. No pets
2. No alcohol
3. No grills
Main Field Sites

Shady Lane Complex - 37077 Shady Ln. North Ridgeville, OH 44039

Elyria West Park - 1200 Foster Ave. Elyria, OH 44035
Columbia Township Park - 25540 Royalton Rd. Columbia Station, OH 44028

Palmer Field – 33900 Dodge Ave. North Ridgeville, OH 44039
Durkee Rd. Fields - 11600 Durkee Rd. Grafton, OH 44044

Victory Park 7777 Victory Ln. North Ridgeville, OH 44039