SOUTH CAROLINA DYB STATE TOURNAMENT HOST REQUIREMENTS

Please note these are the **MINIMUM** requirements. Any **EXTRAS** are solely at the discretion of the Host League and their volunteers.

A. Expenses

- 1. Pay to the State Director or his representative a \$100.00 site inspection fee upon his arrival to inspect the playing facilities.
- 2. Pay to the State Organization a tournament hosting fee in the amount of:

The Rookie division will be \$4,000.00 per tournament based on 12 teams; \$1,500.00 per tournament deposit will be due February 1, 2024 with the balance due July 1, 2023

The AA, AAA and "O" Zone divisions will be \$4,500.00 per tournament based on 12 teams; \$1,500.00 deposit per tournament will be due February 1, 2024 with the balance due July 1, 2024

From this fee:

In Rookie, AA, AAA, and "O" Zone, one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) will be donated to the Dixie Youth Scholarship fund.

In the AA, AAA, and "O" Zone, six hundred dollars (\$600.00) will be given to the State Tournament Champions traveling outside South Carolina to help defray cost of going to the DYB World Series. In AA, AAA, and "O" Zone from this fee, the cost of a DYB State Championship Flag, an official DYB State Host flag, official t-shirts for the State Championship team, jerseys and hats for World Series and 150 South Carolina DYB pins to trade at the World Series.

The State Organization will furnish all awards for the respective State Tournaments.

3. The host will be responsible for providing two (2) rooms per tournament at no cost to the SCDYB board to be used at their discretion, the hotels must be approved by the State Director. In the event the hotel does not meet the approval of the State Director, the State Director will procure adequate housing to be reimbursed by the host. In the event lodging is not provided (paid for) by the Host, they shall pay one hundred fifty (\$150.00) per day/per room to the Tournament Director.

B. Housing and Meals

- 1. The Host shall **NOT** be required to provide housing for any team in the tournament. The host shall contact motels in the area for availability for team housing and rates for rooms. This information shall be furnished to the State Director no later than **June 1**st in the year the tournament is to be played for distribution to tournament teams prior to their arrival at the State Tournament.
- 2. The Host shall **NOT** be required to provide meals for teams, other than the informal outing which will be scheduled during the opening weekend. The host shall provide a list of restaurants that could provide meals for the teams. This information should include types of meals served (fast foods, buffet, cafeteria, home style cooking, etc.) and approximate cost of meals.

3. The Host will assist the State Director in locating motel accommodations for all State Board Officials and other DYB Officials who may attend. These accommodations will be paid for by the individual or the State organization (except those directors listed in 4 above), not the tournament host.

C. Hospitality and Entertainment

- 1. The Host shall provide an informal outing for **ALL** tournament teams, State Director, District Directors, National Directors, Assistant State and District Directors, and State Umpire in Chief. The spouses of the listed officials will also be invited to attend. The menu should be planned for players of age 7 thru 12 such as hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, and etc. Tables with chairs are required for teams to eat. All teams will be served before any officials or guests. A guest speaker appropriate for the occasion shall be provided. This outing will be during the opening weekend.
- 2. The Host shall furnish each team with a list of entertainment available such as admission to theaters, swimming pools, bowling centers, recreation centers, mini golf, zoos, and etc.
- 3. The Host shall provide players and coaches with some type of pass for admission to games they are not participating in.
- 4. The Host shall provide all State Board members and their immediate family members some type of pass for admission to all games.
- 5. The Host shall provide a birthday cake/cupcakes for team members having a birthday during the tournament. The cake should be presented to the player on the field following his/her team's game on his/her birthday.
- 6. The Host shall arrange for photographs to be taken during opening ceremonies and tournament games. The official photographer may be asked to provide a CD with photos of the tournament and this CD will be given to the State Director to be used for official DYB publications including the DYB website.

D. Publicity and Ceremonies

- The Host shall have published an official State Tournament Program containing a picture of all competing teams and other material of interest in connection with the State Tournament. The program must also include: tournament pairings, an official letter from the State Director, and State Tournament records. The program shall also include State Hall of Fame and State DYB Scholarship winners. The State Director or his designee will be provided with 20 copies of the program at no charge. The cover of the program MUST have the official DYB logo on it.
- 1. In the AAA, Majors, and "O" Zone, the American Flag and flags of each District shall be displayed. The field used during the opening ceremonies shall have enough flag holders to display the American Flag and all District Champion flags. Proper etiquette shall be used in the display of the American Flag.
- 2. The Host shall arrange for the local news media to give tournament coverage in the local papers and/or TV.
- 4. The National Anthem must be played and an invocation given each day before the first tournament game.

5. An opening ceremony shall be provided as approved by the State Director. The team meal and opening ceremony must be in an air conditioned facility unless approved by the State Director. It is suggested that the minimum number of politicians be introduced. DYB Officials in attendance will be introduced.

E. Playing Fields and Facilities

- 1. The Host shall provide a minimum of two (2) playing fields for each age division participating in the State Tournament(s). These fields must meet DYB requirements as described in the DYB rulebook. Dugouts with gates, sideline fencing, electronic scoreboard and communication capabilities from the dugouts to the press box must be provided.
- 2. The minimum distance from the nearest outfield fence shall be:
 - Rookie & AA Division- 180 feet with a maximum of 200 feet.
 - AAA & Majors Division 200 feet with a maximum of 225 and a minimum outfield fence height of 6 feet.
 - "O Zone" division 225 feet with a maximum of 250 and a minimum outfield fence height of 6 feet.
- 3. The press box facilities shall be large enough to accommodate the official scorer, public address announcer, scoreboard operator, and other officials as approved by the State Director. ONLY THOSE PEOPLE APPROVED BY THE STATE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PRESS BOX.
- 4. The host must provide a competent scorekeeper, score board operator, announcer, and pitch count keeper (AAA and "O" Zone only) for each game.
- **5.** The Host shall provide an adequate public address system that can be heard in all areas of the playing field. An adequate back up system shall be available if needed.
- **6.** The host shall provide working communication from the dugout to the press box for teams to make substitutions.
- 7. Adequate seating accommodations must be provided for spectators at the field(s).
- **8.** Public restrooms must be available with at least four (4) units available for both men and ladies.
- **9.** Adequate parking must be provided near the fields and this parking will be at no charge.
- **10.** It is recommended that the Host shall provide a first aid station with trained medical personnel on duty during all tournament games.
- **11.** It is recommended that the Host shall provide the availability of security personnel during all tournament games.
- **12.** In the AA, AAA, and "O" Zone, the Host will provide sleeves or holders and 8' poles to attach the flags on the outfield fences for the flags of the District Champions. These flags shall be flown during the Opening Ceremonies and throughout the tournament, until all teams are eliminated.
- 13. It is recommended that lightning detectors be in each press box at each complex.
- **14.** All fields that are used must have foul poles attached to the proper fences.

15. The host must provide game balls and only baseballs stamped "Official DYB®" and bearing the Commissioner's signature shall be used in any tournament.

F. Miscellaneous Requirements

- 1. Homerun balls are to be retrieved and presented to the hitter preferably in a plastic protective case. This will be done on the field following the game. **The case will be provided by SCDYB.**
- 2. Admission fees can be set by the host league, but must be approved by the State Director. The maximum fee for a two session day is \$10, leagues may charge \$1 extra for the first **two days** for the scholarship fund.
- 3. A game ball preferably in a plastic protective case will be presented to any pitcher for a no hit game. This will be done on the field following the game. **The case will be provided by SCDYB**.
- 4. The Host shall provide a birthday cake/cupcakes for any player who celebrates his/her birthday occurs while their team is still in the tournament.
- 5. The Host shall provide a large tournament bracket showing the pairings and game results. This tournament bracket must be displayed in a prominent place at the playing field(s). **The bracket MUST have the official DYB logo in a prominent place.**
- 6. A tournament package with welcome from host, detailing motel locations, directions to fields, admission fees, and general information must be sent to the State Director for distribution to all State Board members and teams by June 1st.
- 7. The Host shall provide a meeting room for the meeting. This room should be large enough to accommodate two coaches from each team and DYB Officials.
- 8. The host will provide a program with the team pictures of each district and host, bracket(s), welcome letter from the State Director, State Board, tournament records, SCDYB State Champions, SCDYB Hall of Fame, and present year SCDYB Scholarship winners. The host will provide to the State Director at no cost 20 copies of the program. On the program cover, the official DYB logo MUST be in a prominent place.
- 9. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED AT ANY FUNCTION OF DYB.

G. Umpires

- 1. All State Tournament umpires shall be approved by the State Director, State Umpire in Chief, and Host District Umpire in Chief. These umpires must be competent umpires for State Tournament play. The umpires will be selected from those umpires who completed a SC State Tournament Umpire's application and submitted such application on time. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- **2.** All umpires must be certified SCDYB Umpires and must wear the current official certified patch as provided by the SCDYB Umpires Association.
- **3.** There must be three (3) umpires for each AAA, Majors, and "O" Zone tournament game and two (2) for AA and Rookie League.

- **4.** The host must provide bottled water and it is readily available to the umpires on the field.
- 5. The Host shall be responsible for the game fees for all tournament umpires. The host will be billed as follows one month prior to the tournament or may elect to pay after each game, if this choice is chosen cash is to be used.

Rookie League (per division) \$40 X 2 umpires X 23 games = \$1,840.00 AA (per division) \$45 X 2 umpires X 23 games = \$2,070.00 AAA (per division) \$50 X 3 umpires X 23 games = \$3,450.00 "O" Zone (per division) \$55 X 3 umpires X 23 games = \$3,795.00

- **6.** The Host shall provide an adequate dressing room for umpires to change into and out of uniforms. If the dressing facility is located in an area far removed from the playing fields, adequate transportation to and from the playing fields shall be provided (i.e. golf cart(s) and communication (i.e. phone or radios) from the fields to the dressing area.
- 7. The Host shall provide a meeting room adequate for umpires and DYB officials for the pre-tournament umpire meeting and meal. The meeting time and date shall be set by the State Director and State Umpire in Chief.

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