



Top 9 Reasons to Play SOFTBALL

- 1. Meet and mingle with 10,000 athletes and artists at the world's largest sporting event open to all**
- 2. Be one of 800-plus softball players expected**
- 3. Play in Ohio's historic professional softball venue - Firestone Stadium - & nearby fields**
- 4. Compete at the last Gay Games in North America until at least 2022**
- 5. Get ready for NAGAAA World Series in September '14**
- 6. Rock out the Closing Ceremony at Rock and Roll Hall of Fame**
- 7. Dive into the National Hamburger Festival**
- 8. Join the biggest LGBT sports party held every 4 years**
- 9. Teach the sports world a lesson in inclusion - on welcoming fields!**

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Softball FAQ

When?

Gay Games Week: 9-16 August 2014

Softball: 11-15 August 2014 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Where?

Softball's center field will be the historic, professional softball venue, Firestone Stadium in Akron, where the women's professional fast-pitch team, Akron Racers, plays. More than a dozen fields in the area within a 15-minute drive also will be used.

What about transportation?

Transportation will be provided from a central location in Akron to Firestone Stadium and other venues. Shuttle service between Cleveland and Akron will be available too.

How many on a team?

Each team consists of 9 to 18 participants, and up to 3 non-player participant coaches/managers.

How will the tournament be run?

The tournament is divided in two rounds: pool play and then double-elimination medal round. (Division-segregated pool play seeds double-elimination medal round.) Each game must be a minimum of 7 innings or 70 minutes, whichever happens first.

What are the rules?

All tournament play must follow the rules of the Amateur Softball Association, in coordination with the rules of the International Softball Federation, as well as the rules of NAGAAA and ASANA.

How does a team register?

The team captain registers the team through GG9CLE.com/registration by creating a Team Code that can be shared with all prospective teammates. A team member must use that code when he or she completes the general and softball registration process or return to the site later to add the team code.

General registration is \$195 per participant before 31 May 2014.

Upon completion, each participant can register for a specific sport. The fee for softball is \$60 before 15 January 2014 and increases to \$70 on 15 January.

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Softball Divisions

OPEN (Men/Mixed)

Slow-pitch, 12-inch

- Division A/B
- Division C
- Division D
- Senior 50+

WOMEN

Slow-pitch, 11-inch

- Division A/B
- Division C
- Division D
- Senior 50+

WOMEN

Fast-pitch, 12-inch

- Division A/B
- Division C
- Division D

Parameters: If a Division has fewer than four teams, the Division may be consolidated into another.

Players in the Senior 50+ Divisions must be at least 50 by 9 August 2014.

Both genders may participate in the Open Division. Only women can compete in Women Division. Players may participate in multiple Divisions but only one team per Division. The tournament schedule will not take into consideration any conflicts in a player's schedule.