

# REQUIREMENTS TO BE MET BY THE HOST OF A: JUNIOR BOYS/ BOYS / PRE-MAJORS/MAJORS WORLD SERIES

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#### A SERIES HOST MUST:

## **PAY BID FEE**

- 1. A host, within thirty (30) days following approval of its bid by the Board of Directors, will submit an initial payment of \$2,500 as a non-refundable bid security. Remaining non-refundable payment of \$5,000 will be due by March 1 of the year following the initial bid acceptance.
- 2. Host is no longer responsible for providing daily meals for the teams. World Series Host will realize a substantial cost savings as result of the policy change enacted at the 2011 biennial board meeting.
- 3. Total bid cost to be paid to Dixie Boys Baseball (DBB) is \$7,500.

## **PROVIDE HOUSING**

- 1. A host will provide each participating team \$350 per day to help offset their team housing cost. **Note:** A participating team must be located seventy-five (75) or more miles from the playing facilities in order to receive the per diem allowance.
- 2. Assist in arranging for motel/hotel space near all Series activity to be used for housing officials and their families. Suitable meeting rooms are to be reserved at this headquarters motel/hotel for all meetings specified by the Tournament Director.
- 3. The host will furnish complimentary lodging for seven (7) officials/members of the organization. The Commissioner or his designee is responsible for assigning the rooms to members of the Board. If number of rooms needed by the organization exceeds the complimentary seven (7), DBB will be responsible for the payment of lodging for excess rooms.
- 4. The host will secure "room block" adequate housing (five double rooms) for the umpires that will work the series. The National Umpire program will be responsible for the payment of all umpires lodging. The lodging rates should be secured at a comparable rate to those that the Host receives for the complimentary housing of the DBB officials and the Tournament UIC.
- 5. The host will furnish complimentary lodging for the Tournament UIC of each World Series.

#### **HOSPITALITY/ENTERTAINMENT**

- 1. Provide informal outing for all teams, directors their families and any local officials the Host wishes to invite on the evening preceding the first series game. The menu should be planned for the likes of 13-19 age (hamburgers, barbecue chicken). All teams served before any officials or other guest.
- 2. Provide players, umpires, officials' families and host committee members with proper identification badges printed with the official emblem of Junior Boys, Boys, Pre-Majors and Majors Baseball. Proper designation should be made as to "Player", "Official", "Host", Etc.
- 3. Maintain a tournament headquarters manned by adult personnel acquainted with all Series playing and entertainment schedules. Such headquarters is to be manned throughout the Series.

- 4. If a "Hospitality Room" is provided for DBB board officials, its' use must be offered to their spouses/immediate families. Room can be combined with the tournament headquarters requirements. No alcoholic beverages of any kind are permitted at any function of DBB.
- 5. Provide a Host committee member to be assigned to each participating team. The guide will be available to the team from the time the team arrives at the Series location until the team departs. Members of this committee are to be thoroughly familiar with all Series information and schedules. A Host Committee member should be on call at all times. Each team should be provided with the names/numbers of physicians/hospitals with which arrangements have been made for treatment. Host should assist the manager in obtaining any needed medical assistance.
- 6. Furnish each team with a schedule of entertainment available, such as (free) admission to local theaters, swimming pools, bowling centers, recreation centers, mini-golf courses, etc. Teams are encouraged to visit, but not required to attend. Should planned events, such as special activities; etc., be provided, teams will be required to register at check-in if they plan to participate.
- 7. Provide a schedule of events, attractions & entertainment available in the area to each DBB Official, Director and family members.
- 8. Provide the location/s for the voluntary attendance at a church service/s for team/s, officials of DBB, parents, etc. on Sunday morning.
- 9. Issue Series passes to the following (to be controlled by the Tournament Director):
  - a.DBB Boys/Majors Officers & State & District Directors and members of their immediate families.
  - b.Coaches/Manager of participating teams and members of their immediate families.
  - c. Two (2) (max) representatives and members of their immediate families from groups interested in bidding to host a future Series, provided that prior arrangements have been made.
  - d.Members of the working press who will be covering the Series.

These are the only passes that the Host will be responsible for providing unless arrangements are made through the Tournament Director. The Host shall provide the Tournament Director with a supply of passes to be used at his discretion with an accounting to be given to the Host.

### **PUBLICITY/CEREMONIES**

- 1. Publish a Series program containing pictures of competing teams and other material of interest in connection with the event. It must also include pictures of the Officers/Directors of DBB with the tournament pairings and playing schedule. The Commissioner must approve the contents of the program. DBB Officials are to be provided with a copy of the program. Copies should also be provided to the Commissioner for promotional purposes.
- 2. Arrange to display the American flag and the flags of each state competing in the Series. All state flags will be displayed on the championship field or at a prominent location in the complex for the duration of a tournament. The Tournament Director is responsible for providing flags!
- 3. Provide adequate decorations in town, as well as the playing field(s), beginning at least two days prior to opening of the Series with street banners and posters advertising the event in store windows and merchants encouraged to display flags and promote the event during the Series week. The specific words "DBB World Series" should be placed on all displays. The Official Dixie logo may be obtained by contacting the Commissioner.
- 4. Make arrangements with local news media to provide Series with full coverage. A meeting with representatives of the media must be arranged to allow the Tournament Director to review plans for wire services coverage and other details in order for the working media to make known their needs to cover the event. Stories on each game must be filed with wires services immediately after each session of play. Credits must include DBB Boys/Majors Baseball.
- 5. The National Anthem must be played and an invocation given at the beginning of each session. Proper patriotic and spiritual emphasis must be given during all activities of the Series week.
- 6. Specific instructions in regard to the opening ceremony are provided by DBB. Included in these ceremonies will be a parade of teams, in uniform, into the park. The DBB Tournament Director with prior approval may grant an exception to a location. No local awards of any type are to be made and

it is urged that only the "necessary" officials/politicians be recognized. DBB Officials and Directors will be introduced. National Anthem shall be played. Opening ceremony shall be reviewed/approved by the Tournament Director.

- 7. Provide all participants, including coaches, with a souvenir package upon the team's arrival. These packages should contain any type of inexpensive gift or souvenir from the area or any other item that the Host wishes to provide. DBB will also provide and present a souvenir to all participants upon arrival or no later than prior to the opening banquet.
- 8. Make available copies of local newspapers at Series Headquarters and other sites.
- 9. Arrange for photographs to be displayed and sold at the tournament headquarters and/or at the playing field(s). Photographers are required to provide DBB with a championship team photo as well as action photos for program promotional purposes.
- 10. Assist DBB with securing advertising/sponsorship of the video/audio broadcast.

### PLAYING FIELDS(S)/FACILITIES

- 1. Provide playing fields(s), preferably at least two, meeting DBB Boys/Majors specifications as illustrated in the DBB Boys/Majors Rule Guide. In Boys, the outfield fence must be a minimum of 275' and a maximum of 300' from home plate. Dugouts, sideline fencing and an electrical scoreboard must be provided. In Pre-Majors/15U/Majors, the outfield fence must be a minimum of 315' and a maximum of 330' from home plate down the left and right field lines and a minimum of 350' and a maximum of 400' to center field.
- 2. The actual field lighting levels must be approved and are subject to inspection by the Tournament Director. Verification may include: (1) visit to the facility to include the actual viewing of the lights or: (2) Host submission of a letter that the requirements for Class I Baseball are being met.
- 3. Provide press box facilities large enough to accommodate the official scorer, press representative, radio and/or television personnel, live computer coverage, public address announcer. A dedicated line with high- speed internet capabilities should be provided to allow live internet broadcast. These facilities will be available to ONLY those having "official" business. *Broadcast coverage information along with the necessary requirements will be provided prior to the event.*
- 4. Provide space away from all other persons with an unobstructed view of all areas of the playing surface for the Protest Committee. This space to be approved by the Tournament Director.
- 5. Provide a comfortable room away from the public where umpires and Series officials may relax.
- 6. Furnish a public address system that will give complete audio coverage to every part of the stadium including all service areas, any temporary seating or standing areas and all approach areas.
- 7. Provide adequate seating accommodations for a minimum of 1000 spectators at each field with a section reserved for Officials and Directors of DBB and their families.
- 8. Public restrooms must be near the field(s) and there must be a minimum of four (4) available units, at least two for male and two for females.
- 9. Provide ample parking space near the park at no charge for all in attendance with a reserved area for all team transportation and for Series Officials and Directors.
- 10. Provide a first aid station with a medical doctor, registered nurse, certified trainer or other trained medical technicians on duty during all sessions.

## **MISCELLANEOUS REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Registered DBB umpires meeting established criteria of Dixie Boys Baseball, Inc. will be provided for all games. **Nine umpires** will be assigned to a series. Umpires will be selected by the NUIC and the DBB Tournament Director. Umpires will include umpires that reside out of the state, in-state umpires, and local umpires. Three umpires will be assigned to work each game. The umpire fee (paid by the host) per umpire is set at a minimum of \$75.00 per game.
- 2. Provide official scorekeeper. He/she should have considerable experience in working DBB Boys/Majors or high school games and, if possible, previous tournament experience. The official

- scorekeeper must attend a meeting with the Tournament Director on the night preceding the Series at a time and place set by the Tournament Director. The official scorer is responsible for the recording of the pitching affidavit; as provided by DBB.
- 3. Approved baseballs with the Commissioner's signature will be provided by DBB. The organization requests that the Host provide a complimentary program ad in return.
- 4. Any organization bidding for the right to host a future DBB Boys/Majors Series will be required to pay the expenses of the DBB Commissioner and/or Tournament Director(s) or their designated representative, (as the potential host city) for an initial inspection meeting with all tournament committees to go over plans for the Series and to inspect proposed facilities, etc. (Cost not to exceed \$1,000). Inspection to be completed prior to bid meeting.
- 5. Representatives of the local press, the city government, service clubs and committees should be at the inspection meeting. Failure of the full committee to be present will show a lack of interest and may result in the Series being awarded to another bidder. Within two months preceding the Series, the Tournament Director and Host State Director, will visit the Host site and perform a final inspection. Expenses of the final inspection will be the responsibility of DBB. If the inspection report does not meet the requirements as listed, the Commissioner will recommend an alternate site. Copies of the inspection report will be made available to each Official in attendance at the Series bidding meeting; prior to the meeting.
- 6. Mail a schedule of events, list all points of interest in the area and suggested eating places to each Officer and Director prior to leaving their homes to come to the Series.
- 7. Submit to the Commissioner and/or Tournament Director a detailed financial report on a standard form provided by DBB within (30) thirty days from completion of the Series. The final report must include a scrapbook of newspaper clippings, pictures, etc., of the Series. Report should also contain information such as the number of programs printed and sold, amounts of souvenirs purchased and sold and any other information that may be helpful to a future host.
- 8. Home run balls are to be retrieved if possible and presented to the hitter on the field following the game. A game ball will likewise be presented to any pitcher who pitches a no-hit game.
- 9. DBB will negotiate Director's room rates. <u>The Host shall assist DBB in acquiring room rates that are comparable to rates that the Host pays.</u>
- 10. The Host will be allowed to collect up to \$10.00 per day as a gate admission. \$1.00 of each ticket is to be set aside sold for the purpose of assisting with the funding of the DBB Scholarship program. The Host has the option to charge less than the maximum amount as long as the \$1.00 is collected and submitted to DBB, Inc. in support of the National scholarship program. Within thirty days after the conclusion of the tournament the host will submit the \$1.00 per ticket rebate to DBB.
- 11. Tournament Host and Team Insurance for the World Series events requires that all participating teams and host provide evidence of Accident and General Liability meeting certain minimum standards. *The Office of the Commissioner of DBB, Inc. will provide requirements.*
- 12. The host must meet the requirements of the Safe Sport Act Federal Law.
- 13. Host will be required to provide a performance bond. The bond will entail the details found in this document. *The Office of the Commissioner of DBB will provide the requirements*.
- 14. The Host along with DBB agrees to enter into a contractual agreement based on the requirements as found in this document. Bid payment is discussed is SECTION 1.