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2024-2025 League Participation Agreement – New Teams (EARLY Registration NLT April 15, 2024)

This League Participation Agreement ("Agreement") is by and between the Undersigned College or University Club Softball Team ("Team") and the National Club Softball Association ("NCSA").

The undersigned Team hereby agrees to participate in the NCSA's 2024/2025 season upon the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement. The Team agrees that it will adhere to all NCSA rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, the payment of the NCSA 2024/2025 annual dues in the amount of \$1,440.00, which shall be due and payable no later than February 28, 2025. Annual dues for the 2024/2025 season shall be discounted to \$1,340.00 if paid in full by the Team on or before December 1, 2024. The Team also understands that there is a one-time membership fee of \$400.00 (discounted to \$300.00 if registration paperwork and new team fee is received by April 15, 2024) and agrees to make this payment to the NCSA simultaneous with the submission of this signed Agreement to the NCSA. The Team understands that the annual dues and the membership fee are non-refundable. Payment of the annual dues and the membership fee shall be made payable to "NCSA." The Team further understands and agrees that all accounts or monies due to NCSA shall be paid in accordance with the credit terms stated above, and agrees to pay all reasonable cost of collection, in addition to any court cost and/or attorney fees incurred in collection.

The team also agrees that it will submit a \$150.00 performance bond to the NCSA prior to September 15, 2024. This performance bond will be returned to the team in full at the conclusion of the 2024/2025 season or rolled over to the next season, provided the team has not forfeited any of its NCSA conference games. (See NCSA Rule 17.03.0)

The Team further understands that it is responsible for ensuring that all team players individually complete the online NCSA Player Registration, and agrees to submit a signed academic eligibility letter for all team players to the NCSA prior to participating in any NCSA sanctioned softball games.

In consideration of the Team's agreement to be bound by the terms of this League Participation Agreement and the NCSA rules and regulations, the NCSA hereby agrees to provide the following benefits and services to the Team throughout the term of the NCSA 2024/2025 season:

- 1) Official recognition as a member of the National Club Softball Association;
- 2) Scheduling of a regular season conference schedule of games;
- 3) Opportunity to compete for the right to participate in National Postseason play;
- 4) Full access to the Official NCSA website (<u>www.clubsoftball.org</u>) for the purpose of tracking rosters, player stats, player bios, team records, conference standings, team website access and team contact information;
- 5) Participation in the Official NCSA Fundraising Programs;
- 6) Pre-paid delivery of two dozen Official NCSA game balls;
- 7) Pre-paid yearly membership in the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) [NEW];
- 8) Team coverage under an NCSA premium pre-paid general liability insurance policy;
- 9) Participation in the benefits of all Official NCSA Sponsorship programs; and
- 10) Opportunity to obtain Official NCSA Consultation on club softball program management issues.

AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED BY:

Team/School Name (Please Print)		
Team President Name (Please Print)	Team President (Signature)	Dated
School Representative Name (Please Print)	School Representative (Signature)	Dated
	EIN: 52-2270910	
NCSA President (Signature) Date		