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### 2012 League Play

Madison Heights Tuesday: Men's Lower Rec

Madison Heights Thursday: Men's Upper Rec

Madison Heights Sunday: Co-Ed Open

### 2012 Special Events

April 14 – Madison Hgts, Rosies Park, Men's lower, 4 game guarantee - \$100

May 12 - Novi, Men's Lower, 5 game guarantee - \$250

May 19 - Lansing, Bobby Chapp Memorial Tournament, 50+, 55+, 60+.  
4 game guarantee - \$350

May 26 - Tags, Men's Memorial Day Bash - \$100

June 2 – Novi, Women's and Co-Ed - \$200

June 9 - Potterville, Men's Upper and Lower, June 10 - Mixed Rec - \$200

June 16 - Madison Hts, D-E - \$100

June 23 - Flat Rock, Men's Open NIT - \$250

July 7 - Mixed Scramble, Relay For Life, Madison Hts

July 14 – Tags, Seniors; 50+, 55+. 4 game guarantee - \$350

July 21 - Novi, Men's Lower - \$200

July 21 – Curtis, Swamper's Festival - \$180

July 28 – The Anderson, Wayne. Men's Upper and Lower - \$200

Aug 4 – Madison Hgts, Women's - \$100

Sept 8 - Novi, Swings for Rings, Men's - \$200

Sept 15 – Flat Rock, Swings for Rings, Men's C&D - \$200

Sept 22 – Madison Hgts, Men's Lower, Tri-County Championship - \$200

Oct 13 - Oktoberfest, Novi, Men's Upper & Lower - \$200

Oct 20 - Evil Ball, Madison Hts, Men's Upper and Lower - \$200

Oct 27 – Year End Swings - \$50

## USSSA FESTIVAL RULES

The purpose of USSSA festival play is to encourage new teams to play, and allow all teams to play in a more relaxed atmosphere. These events are not designed to be qualifiers, but points will be awarded.

### THE GAME

1. Men's upper will be played with a 3 home run rule. No team will be allowed to go more than 3 home runs over their opponent. You can go ahead in the bottom of the inning. If you go more than 3, it becomes an inning ending out.
2. Men's lower will be played with a 1 more home run rule. You can never go more than 1 home run ahead of your opponent's total. You can go ahead in the bottom of an inning. If you go more than one ahead of your opponent, it becomes an inning ending out.
3. There will be a 15 after 4, 10 after 5 mercy rule.
4. International tie-breaker will be used after 7 innings.
5. Teams can bat up to 14 players.

## BASE ADVANCEMENT

1. Runner may advance once pitched ball hits or crosses home plate. No advancement if balls hits in front of home plate.
2. Pitched ball hitting batter is dead ball. Umpire is live.
3. Runner must immediately return to their base or advance to next base, after ball is returned to pitcher.

## FESTIVAL ROSTER RULES

1. In an effort to promote play over points, teams with frozen roster will be allowed to play in festival events. The rules governing which players will be allowed to play, on non-frozen rosters, will be identical to the USSSA player move up rules.
2. Upper division will consist of B and C, or higher teams.
3. Lower division shall consist of D, E and rec players.
4. Player can only play on one roster in men's play.
5. All teams must have a roster filled out.
6. Upper level teams shall be allowed to make a roster of their choice. If they have a frozen roster and wish to qualify for points, they must keep roster intact. If roster is not frozen, they cannot have any more than 2 players from another level or team to qualify for points. If you have a frozen team and wish to add players, you become new team, no points. You can still play for any awards.
7. Lower level, non-frozen, teams can pick up players from their class or lower and still get points. They must adhere to the USSSA move up rules. Any more than 3 pickups will eliminate any team from point awards. Picking up any players from a C or above team will also eliminate them from points. If you have a frozen roster and wish to pick up players, you become a new team, no points. You can still play for any awards.
8. Any legal USSSA rostered team will be awarded points based on their finish among other legal rostered teams. Teams are advised they may play a team with a frozen roster or teams without. This may affect their finish.
9. All festival events are subject to blind draw for starting times.
10. All players and teams are subject to verification from tournament officials, Umpires and or USSSA officials. The verification shall require a state photo ID. If player in question cannot present one, team will forfeit all point awards.

