



AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS  
BASEBALL TOURNAMENT



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THIS AGREEMENT between The American Legion, Department of Texas, 3401 Ed Bluestein Blvd., Austin, TX 78721-2902 (hereinafter "DEPARTMENT") and \_\_\_\_\_ Post No. \_\_\_\_\_, located in \_\_\_\_\_ Texas, Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter "HOST POST") provides for the terms, conditions and services under which the DEPARTMENT and the HOST POST will provide funding and services for The American Legion, Department of Texas Baseball Tournament (hereinafter "STATE TOURNAMENT") for the 2008 season. A payment of \$2,500 will be made by the Host Post to The Department of Texas, within fourteen (14) days after the close the Department Tournament.

In consideration of the declarations and the mutual covenants and agreements of the parties herein, it is hereby agreed as follows:

- I. HOST POST will act as agent for and on behalf of DEPARTMENT and will **assist** in the planning, development, and servicing of the STATE TOURNAMENT. HOST POST will appoint a **LOCAL STATE TOURNAMENT** Chairman and Committee to act as a **local** representative, and who will act only on **behalf of and under the authority** of THE DEPARTMENT of TEXAS, the Department Commander, the Department Baseball Official, the Department Baseball Committee, and the HOST POST.
- II. DEPARTMENT of TEXAS will appoint a Department Baseball Committee, which will, **with prior approval of the DEPARTMENT of TEXAS Headquarters**, make all decisions concerning the schedule and operation of the STATE TOURNAMENT, to include dates of the STATE TOURNAMENT, game times, game brackets, price of admission, time and agenda of welcome banquet, opening ceremonies, review motel or hotel accommodations, and any other functions relating to the ceremonies or baseball games of the STATE TOURNAMENT.
- III. LOCAL STATE COMMITTEE; in close coordination with the Department Baseball Committee, will make initial arrangements for motel or hotel accommodations. The accommodations must be sufficient in number to house the Department Commander, Department Baseball Chairman and Director, Department Official, a meeting room for daily use by the STATE TOURNAMENT officials, and seven (7) rooms per team for up to seven (7) twenty-one (21) member teams, with four (4) players to a room, plus the Manager and Coaches, with a late check out of at least 1:00 PM for the losing team in the first game and 3:00 PM for the losing team in the second game of the loser brackets on Thursday and Friday. After initial arrangements are made THE DEPARTMENT of TEXAS HEADQUARTERS will have final approval **and all changes must be approved and made by Department of Texas Headquarters** on any agreement made with the hotel / motel. All agreements, and/or contracts, **must**, be approved by The Department of Texas, and **signed by the Department Adjutant**
- IV. DEPARTMENT will pay: 1.) all hotel expenses (daily room costs only, incidentals excluded) for authorized Department Officials and invited Baseball Teams, 2.) per diem for the invited Teams at the rate provided for and approved in the current Department Rule Book, per day per manager, coach, and players on the National Form #1, 3.) mileage for invited Baseball Teams at a rate provided for and approved in the current Department Rule Book per team from the Base School to the STATE TOURNAMENT site and return to Base School.
- V. HOST POST will be responsible for all expenses relating to the STATE TOURNAMENT. Host Post will furnish, an adequate supply of Official American Legion, game quality baseballs (Approved at least 60 days prior to the State Tournament by Department of Texas Headquarters), and team and individual trophies for the champions, runner-ups, and Most Valuable Player (MVP will be chosen by the Department Baseball Chairman, Department Baseball Director, and Department Baseball Official) {Type and size of awards must be approved at least 60 days prior to the State Tournament by Department of Texas Headquarters}, The only exceptions to this will be by prior written approval of the DEPARTMENT of TEXAS.

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- VI. The Department Baseball Committee (or others as designated by the Department Official at the tournament) will be the Grievance Committee and will be available for every game of the STATE TOURNAMENT.
- VII. HOST POST should have the support and backing of the local Chamber of Commerce and local news media.
- VIII. HOST POST will maintain the playing field and furnish all working personnel, such as ticket sellers and takers, official scorekeeper, public address announcers, grounds keepers, ball shaggers, or any other personnel that may be deemed necessary for the betterment of the Tournament. (HOST POST will pay all expenses for field and personnel).
- IX. HOST POST will provide at least two umpires for each game played (Three in the Championship Game(s)). Only association umpires will be used. Umpires should be local or reasonably close to the site of the STATE TOURNAMENT. No mileage, rooms or per diem will be paid to the umpires. (HOST POST will pay all expenses for umpires).
- X. HOST POST will provide a playing field of proper size for playing American Legion Baseball, adequately lighted, with a minimum of four hundred (400) spectator seats and available rest rooms for men and women. (HOST POST will pay all expenses for the playing field).
- XI. HOST POST will publish a Tournament Program. (HOST POST will pay for Tournament Program)
- XIII. HOST POST will host a banquet as scheduled in the current Department Baseball rule book, before the STATE TOURNAMENT for a maximum of 21 people for each team entered, plus all DEPARTMENT Officials, and any other individuals that the HOST POST wishes to include. Additional guests may be charged (HOST POST will pay all expenses for the Tournament Banquet.)
- XIV. HOST POST will be permitted to enter one team in the STATE TOURNAMENT to be known as the Host Team. . The Host Team must be within 50 miles of Host City and will not receive mileage. The Host Team will still have to take part of the coin flip to determine Home or Visitor, and will have to sit in the dugout designated for Home or Visitor the same as all the teams..
- XV. Posts desiring to host the STATE TOURNAMENT for 2008 must submit this contract postmarked by September 10, 2006, signed, along with a Resolution of Invitation approved by the Post, signed by the Post Commander and attested thereto by the Post Adjutant, to the Department of Texas, 3401 Ed Bluestein Blvd, Austin, TX 78721-2902.

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Department Adjutant

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Post Commander

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