



## REC WORLD SERIES

May 30 – June 1, 2025

For Immediate Distribution:

**SHARE with your Recreational Coaches, thanks!**

We are very excited to host the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual KC&BO – Rec World Series!

We are super happy to hear the positive feedback from last year's event! We greatly appreciate your support for the Recreational Player and their opportunity to experience a World Series Event!

Now is the time to start confirming participation from our various Interlock and TEBA partner associations!

**WE HAVE A NEW MUCH EASIER WAY TO PRE-REGISTER YOUR TEAM**

**(See below under Pre-Registration)**

The KC&BO – Rec World Series will feature:

- Opening Day Skill Challenges and an Opening Day Parade of Teams at Bakersfield Park
- The Tournament is being Powered by: Dick's Sporting Goods and D-BAT Lewisville!
- We will have prizes/awards for the Opening Day Competitions and well as many fun Challenges for ALL PLAYERS to enjoy! HERE ARE THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES:

<b>FASTEST PLAYER CHALLENGE</b>	<b>FASTEST PITCH COMPETITION</b>
<b>AROUND THE HORN</b>	<b>EXIT VELO CHALLENGE</b>

- This is a Multiple Day Tournament with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Rings Awarded to each Age Group
  - Opening Day Ceremonies & Activities: Friday Evening, May 30<sup>th</sup>!

- A FUN ATMOSPHERE FOR THE RECREATIONAL PLAYER TO ENJOY A WORLD SERIES EXPERIENCE

## KC&BO REC WORLD SERIES PROTOCOLS:

Eligibility Requirements | Tournament Details | Team Formation | Registration | Payment | Roster Building | Communication | Rules

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- **Clarifying Eligibility Statement:**  
*The KC&BO Rec World Series is NOT accepting ANY ALL STAR TEAMS; ANY PREMIER/ADVANCED REC TEAMS, or ANY SELECT TEAMS. Newly formed All Star Teams, and Premier/Advanced Rec Teams, should be encouraged by their leagues to play in the All Star Tournaments being hosted in Colleyville, Grapevine, Flower Mound, etc., and those teams are NOT eligible to compete in this event.*
- **The eligible player pool is from the Spring 2025 Season recreational teams. No players that played on Premier/Advanced Rec teams during the spring recreational interlock season are eligible for the Rec WS. (i.e., Premier players may not play in the Rec WS.)**
- Home Associations will be responsible to ensure the rosters of the recreational teams entering the Rec World Series are comprised only of eligible players from their Spring 2025 Recreational Season. The Rec World Series is ONLY OPEN to associations participating either in TEBA / DFW INTERLOCK or other teams/leagues VETTED and APPROVED by the KC&BO Rec World Series COMMITTEE – we do this to ensure a level playing field for the recreational teams. We respectfully REQUIRE each league have board level sign-off on team rosters for the Rec World Series.

### TOURNAMENT DETAILS:

- Tournament Dates: May 30<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup> (3-days, including Opening Day which is Friday, the 30<sup>th</sup>)
- Age Groups:
  - 6U, 7U, 8U, 9/10U, 11/12U, 13/14U
- Costs:
  - Team Entry Fee is \$400 (paid at time of Registration)
  - Rostered Play Fee is \$25 per player (paid at Coaches Check-In on Opening Day)
- Average cost per player to participate in the KC&BO Rec World Series is roughly \$60

### TEAM FORMATION:

We realize that some recreational parents may not wish to extend the season and play in a World Series, so we have made allowances for that. **What is unique about the KC&BO Rec World Series is that we allow Associations the ability to combine players from Rec Teams in order to make a full team for the Rec World Series.** *EXAMPLE: the 7U Cubs (with 4 players) may join with the 7U Marlins (who have 5 players) and the 7U Rangers (who have 3 players), etc. The Home Association simply verifies the roster is comprised of eligible recreational players. In this example, **the teams do NOT have to buy a special jersey**, they can simply wear their regular recreational jerseys. **WE ACTUALLY ENCOURAGE wearing your leagues recreational teams' uniforms!***

Again, these are NOT the Leagues ALL STAR TEAMS! We simply want to reach as many recreational players as possible! **So, whether it is a full team or some teams that have combined to create a full team, come one, come all (eligible recreational players) to play in the KEEP CALM & BASEBALL ON - REC WORLD SERIES!**

#### **REGISTRATION:**

Team Registration and roster submissions will be handled through the use of Google Forms (not the NCS platform). We will have a publicly viewable schedule and bracket available online during the event.

**TEAM REGISTRATION FORM:** <https://forms.gle/QLmduFphkvhEzutB7>

- WE WILL HAVE ABOUT A 3-4 WEEK WINDOW FOR TEAMS TO REGISTER AND PAY THE ENTRY FEE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE KC&BO – REC WORLD SERIES.
- **A hard registration completion deadline of Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

#### **PAYMENT:**

- Since this is basically an “**invitation only/private event**” we are creating a NON-PUBLIC tournament using the KC&BO website to house most of our information, etc. It becomes public for participating teams ONLY after the official registration is completed.
- Once this information is collected, we will create a master **WHO’S COMING LIST**
- **WE WILL PROVIDE PAYMENT OPTIONS SOON.** The ENTRY FEE is \$400, and is DUE PRIOR TO FRIDAY, MAY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 *{The Rostered Play Fee (\$25 per player) is not due until Team Check-In on Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.}*

**ALL TEAMS WANTING TO PARTICIPATE MUST BE REGISTERED AND PAID NO LATER THAN MAY 16<sup>th</sup> (Don’t delay, Pre-Register EARLY)**

#### **ROSTER BUILDING:**

- The coach also adds/builds his team ROSTER via a provided document (*all rosters MUST be approved by your home league, as per guidelines provided, prior to submitting to KC&BO*).
  - Rosters need to be approved by each league (*double sign-off*) before they are sent to us. This is incumbent on the Head Coach and the Home League Representative.
  - Approved Rosters are then submitted to KC&BO.
- Once rosters are approved/submitted, and the entry fee is paid, the team is officially “IN” and is now eligible to be scheduled!
- There are STRICT deadlines: Registration, Building and Submitting the Team Rosters, and Payment of the Entry Fee. (*WE MUST FULLY CLOSE REGISTRATION BY MAY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 in order to be able to schedule the event*).

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

- Email will be our primary form of Communication (field status, sponsor info, etc.)
- The KC&BO Website will house all tournament information

- Once all teams are officially accepted to the KC&BO – Rec World Series, we will be using email for all tournament communication to Coaches.
  - Coaches will in turn communicate with their families!

**RULES:**

- We worked hard again last year with all leagues to come up with a standard set of rules. That worked out pretty well (thank you to all involved with rule creation)!
- **Jeff Nelson**, UIC, and owner Over The Plate Umpires will handle rules questions: [otpumpires@gmail.com](mailto:otpumpires@gmail.com)
- Rules can be found on the KC&BO website: <https://keepcalmandbaseballon.com/rules>

Lastly, if any association/league is interested in **HOSTING any games for the Rec WS**, **please let me know ASAP**.... otherwise, all KC&BO – Rec World Series games will be played in Flower Mound.

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