



2023 Super Series Program Guidelines

Guidelines appearing in RED are new for the 2023 season.

Member Registration & Fees

- All SPO Members are required to pay an annual individual Membership Fee (\$16.95) that provides, among other things, liability insurance and secondary sport accident insurance coverage.
- *All participants (Team Contacts, Players and Coaches) in the Super Series Program are subject to an additional Program Fee of \$10 that is used in the administration and organization of the Program. Only Active Members registered as Super Series Players are eligible to participate in the Super Series.*
- Returning participants should add the Super Series Program Fee upon their first log in of the season, or it can be added once a Member is already registered and Active.
- Returning Players should not create a new Profile if they have difficulty logging in. Any duplicate Profiles created will be deleted and may affect a Player's eligibility to compete in an Event.

Team Contacts

All Teams will be restricted to having a maximum of ONE Team Contact and ONE Secondary Team Contact. We will deal with the designated Team Contact only and, in the event that we cannot get in touch with them, we will attempt to reach the Secondary Team Contact. In the past, we have had multiple individuals calling or emailing about the same matters.

Event Entry & Fees

- Entry Fee for each regular Miken Super Series Event for all Mens divisions will be \$440 (plus HST).
- Entry Fee for each regular Miken Super Series Event for all Womens divisions will be \$410 (plus HST).
- Tournament Entries and payment for all Events must be received by SPO no later than 3:00 pm on the Friday of the week before an Event.
- Teams may be accepted after the deadline only if it is convenient to the schedule, and a \$100 late fee will apply.

Travel Expenses

- A total of \$125 from each team's Entry Fee will be designated for travel expense prize money.
- \$100 of this will be distributed to the top teams of each Event, and \$25 will be used for travel expense prize money for the top finishers of the Super Series Championship.

Tournament Format

- For Events with 6 or More Teams: SPO modified double-knockout (3-game guarantee).
- For Events with 5 Teams or Less: Round-Robin, 4-game guarantee, page playoff format.
- Any Team, after competing in an Event, that subsequently forfeits the start of a game during that Event, may be suspended from the remainder of the Event and receive no Points.

Event Schedules

Schedules will be posted on the website no later than the Wednesday prior to the Event, and will be available through Game On Mobile's app and website.

Umpiring

Two (2) Umpires will be scheduled for each game in all divisions, subject to availability.

Roster Restrictions

Roster Sizes

Mens A – 17

Mens B – 20

Mens C – Pool of 25; Maximum 20 per Event.

Womens A – 20

Womens B/C – Pool of 25; Maximum 20 per Event.

Roster Dates

Rosters in Mens A and Womens A will be frozen at 3:00 pm on the Wednesday after the 1st Event.

In all other divisions, Rosters will be frozen at 3:00 pm on the Wednesday after the 3rd Event.

The Final Roster Lock Date for all divisions is 3:00 pm on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 at which time all Rosters will become Official and will be locked for the remainder of the season and no further changes will be allowed.

Division	2023 Roster Freeze Date	2023 ROSTER LOCK DATE
Womens A	Wednesday, May 10 – 3:00 pm	JULY 5, 2023 AT 3:00 PM
Womens B/C	Wednesday, June 28 – 3:00 pm	
Mens A	Wednesday, May 10 – 3:00 pm	
Mens B	Wednesday, June 14 – 3:00 pm	
Mens C	Wednesday, June 28 – 3:00 pm	

Roster Changes

- All Rosters must comply with the Super Series Team Classification Policy.
- All player movement must be approved by the Super Series Committee.
- After a Roster is frozen as outlined above, any changes made must be requested through the Super Series Committee by completing the on-line form that will be available and a \$10 Roster Change Fee will apply to each Player approved to be added to a Roster.

Player Releases

- Players may sign only with one (1) Super Series team in a season, unless a Release is obtained as outlined herein. **
- **** From the applicable Roster Freeze Date noted above and up to the Roster Lock Date, a Player may request a Release from their Team. If the Player is released by the Team Contact, he/she may sign with another Team, provided that Team has a Roster place available and all eligibility requirements are met.**
- A request for a Player Release must be submitted by the Player (or by the Team Contact) to superseries@slopitch.org for approval.
- Players may not play for a new Super Series Team until their Release has been received and approved by the Super Series Committee.
- **A Player will be allowed only one (1) Release per year.**

Player Restrictions

Players that move to a Canadian Championship-Qualified team after the 1st Event will lose the opportunity to be added as a pickup for the Canadian Championships for the current year. Players that move to another Canadian Championship-Qualified team will have to sit out two (2) Events prior to being eligible for the new team. (The intent of these Guidelines is to prevent teams from using the Canadian Championships as a recruiting tool and hopefully prevent some of the poaching of players.)

Out of Province Players

After discussions with players, teams, other Provinces, Softball Canada and our Executive, it has been decided that Slo-Pitch Ontario will enforce our residency rule that a player is required to be an Ontario resident

as of May 1st of the current season. No out of Province players will be permitted to participate in our Super Series Program and all participants may be required to provide satisfactory proof of residency.

If an OOP Player (or any other Ineligible Player) is used, the team may be subject to any or all of the following sanctions:

- (1) loss of all Super Series points;*
- (2) suspension of all Players, Managers and Coaches for the remainder of the season; and*
- (3) further review by the SPO Disciplinary Committee.*

Use of Coaches

If a Team has less than 12 Players in attendance at an Event, they may use up to two (2) of their registered Coaches as Emergency Players. This must be declared prior to the start of the game. If a Coach participates in more than two (2) Events, he/she must be added as a Super Series Player to the Team's Official Roster.

Folding of a Team

If a Team folds prior to July 1st, any rostered Players wishing to continue participating in Super Series Events may request to be made available through a dispersal draft involving any appropriate level teams that have a Roster place available.

Point Structure

The following Points will be awarded in all divisions:

Divisions with 1-16 Teams

1 st	...	15
2 nd	...	13
3 rd	...	11
4 th	...	9
5 th /6 th	...	6

All other teams will receive 5 Points.

Divisions with 17+ Teams

1 st	...	19
2 nd	...	17
3 rd	...	15
4 th	...	13
5 th /6 th	...	10
7 th /8 th	...	6

All other teams will receive 5 Points.

Championship Eligibility Requirement

- The Miken Super Series Standings will be used for seeding of the top Teams at the Eliminations and the Ontario Championships.

- Teams must compete in 3 Events (one must be the Ontario Championships) to be eligible for the Miken Super Series Championship in their respective division.

Questions

Any questions regarding Rosters, Roster Changes or Releases should be sent to superseries@slopitch.org.