

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

www.alabamaamericanlegionbaseball.com

www.legion.org/baseball

How to form a team

Coaches who want to start a team should contact Frank Hannah, the department baseball chairman, at 205-454-4230, or fhannah@tcss.net. All teams will register online at www.legion.org/baseball.

Age Divisions

- Senior Div 1 - 19 & under – Players cannot turn 19 before January 1, 2011
- Senior Div 2 (High School Eligible) – Players who are eligible to participate in High School Baseball in the AHSAA or AISA are eligible to participate regardless of age. This allows a high school coach to keep his team together for the upcoming season.
- Junior Div - 15 & under – Players cannot turn 16 before July 15, 2012. This league is specifically for the 13-15 year old players.

Registration & Insurance Costs

Senior Div 1 & 2: Registration - \$150/team Insurance - \$305/team

Junior Div - 15 & under: Registration - \$125/team Insurance - \$250/team

Accidental & Liability Insurance is provided by S.A. Van Dyk, and is required for all legion teams.

Coaches Scheduling Meetings

Senior Div 1 - 19 & under: March 4, 2012 @ Birmingham Post 171, 1 PM

Senior Div 2 –HS eligible: April 29, 2012

- Northern Division – Athens, Post 49, 2:30 pm (124 Cloverleaf Dr, Athens, AL 35611)
- Central Division – Tuscaloosa Academy, 1:00 pm
- Southern Division – Eagle Stadium, Ozark, AL, 1:00 pm

Junior Div – 15 & under : March 11, 2012

- Northern Meeting – Athens, Post 49 at 2:30 pm
- Central and Southern Meeting – Guesthouse Hotel, exit 208 I 65, Clanton, AL at 2:00 pm

Check the website (www.alabamaamericanlegionbaseball.com) for updates.

State Tournament Dates & Locations

- Senior Div 1 (19 & under):
 - *Sub State Tournament: July 27-29, 2012 @ Birmingham Southern College)*
 - *State Tournament: August 3-5, 2012 @ Troy University*
- Senior Div 2 (HS Eligible): July 19-22, 2012 @ Troy University
- Junior Div (15 & under): July 19-22, 2012 @ Eagle Stadium, Ozark, AL

Who will we play?

Teams are spread throughout the State of Alabama. Last year eight teams participated in the 19 & under program. Those teams were: Bessemer Post 149; Centreville Post 128; Decatur Post 11; Dothan Post 11; Florence Post 11; Columbiana Post 131; Tuscaloosa Post 34; & West Alabama Post 29. In the 17 & under division, there were 35 teams that participated in 2011, and 15 teams in the 15U division. Neighboring states also have American Legion teams for those teams near state lines.

Although it is strongly encouraged, it is not necessary to only play American Legion teams. Many of our teams participate in games and tournaments with teams from other leagues.

When does the season begin?

You can determine the start of your season. Some teams begin in the month of May while others wait until June. ***A coach may choose to coach his high school team for seven dates then turn his team over to someone else to begin the American Legion season. This allows players to play more games together as a team. Also the 15 & under and the Senior Div 2 High School eligible leagues ends in time for players to participate in the beginning of Football Season.***

What is the deadline to register a team?

By May 15, teams must register online at www.legion.org/baseball.

Where can I get more information?

You can find more information about American Legion Baseball in the State of Alabama by visiting our website www.alabamaamericanlegionbaseball.com. You can also reach the State Chairman of the Alabama Baseball Commission, Frank Hannah, by phone at 205-454-4230, or email at fhannah@tcss.net. Other information can be found at the National website, www.legion.org/baseball.