



Dear Manager,

Congratulations on your invitation to participate in the 2023 Tyger River Park Invitational.

This inaugural event will be hosted at Spartanburg County's National award-winning facility, Tyger River Park. The 13-field softball complex is the premier youth sports park in the Southeast. Everyone involved from our County Council to Park Assistants, welcome you to Spartanburg. We believe that you will find our team hospitable and willing to assist you as needed during your time with us.

Spartanburg County Parks Department will partner with OneSpartanburg and local partners to bring you this exclusive event. We are committed to creating a unique and pleasurable experience that you and your team will remember for years to come.

Inside this tournament packet you will find important information regarding team registration, submission deadlines, schedule of events, hotels and accommodations, and rules and regulations governing the tournament and use of the park. This packet should answer most of your questions about the tournament and your visit, therefore please read the packet thoroughly. If you should have any questions following your review, please email or call us at your earliest convenience.

Good luck to you and your team as we look forward to greeting you in Spartanburg.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trey Glover", written over a horizontal line.

Trey Glover

Tournament Director

Park Operations Manager

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Greetings,

On behalf of Spartanburg County, OneSpartanburg, Inc and our county's tourism industry, I'm excited to welcome the 2023 Tyger River Invitational to our community.

We invite you, your attendees and guests to experience everything that makes Spartanburg a wonderful place to visit during your stay. From our unique attractions to our first-class restaurants to our local entertainment scene, we're certain you'll enjoy your time in Spartanburg.

Take in our **Downtown Cultural District**, full of public art and opportunities to enjoy live music. Get outdoors and explore a wide variety of **trails, waterways and other recreational offerings**. Discover unique **Made in Spartanburg flavors and products**, and even take some pieces of the Hub City home with you.

Our community hopes you enjoy your stay, and we look forward to welcoming you back after a successful Tyger River Invitational.

Thank you for making us part of your schedule.

Sincerely,

Billy Dunlap

Chief Tourism Development Officer

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Special **Spartan Bucks** incentive for teams lodging in hotel properties residing in Spartanburg County.

Traveling to Spartanburg?

Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport (GSP) is conveniently located near Spartanburg, SC and is only minutes away from Tyger River Park and hotels.

Visit www.gspairport.com for more information.

Deadlines

Tournament Entry Form	Monday, July 3 rd	Email: Ktaylor@spartanburgcounty.org Csgaglio@spartanburgcounty.org
Signed Team Roster/Waiver	Monday, July 3 rd	Email: Ktaylor@spartanburgcounty.org Csgaglio@spartanburgcounty.org
Tournament Entry Fee	Monday, July 3 rd	Mail to: Tyger River Park ATTN: Tyger River Park Invitational 179 Dillard Rd. Duncan, SC 29334 (make payable to Spartanburg County Parks) Or Call 864.804.5814 for online invoice
Team Information Sheet	Monday, July 3 rd	Email to: Ktaylor@spartanburgcounty.org Csgaglio@spartanburgcounty.org
Certificate of Insurance	Monday, July 3 rd	Email to: Ktaylor@spartanburgcounty.org Csgaglio@spartanburgcounty.org

Tournament Events Timeline

Monday, July 3	Documents Deadline: 5:00 PM, EST DEADLINE to turn-in: Tournament Entry Form, Team Information Sheet, Signed Team Roster/Waiver, Certificate of Insurance, and Tournament Entry Fee.
Wednesday, July 26	Team Check-In: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Tyger River Park - Clubhouse, 451 Slider Ave. Duncan, SC 29334
Wednesday, July 26	Blind Bracket Draw: Will take place during Team Check-In
Wednesday, July 26	Team Social: 6:00PM - 9:30PM Great Lawn area will be blocked off at Tyger River Park (in front of the Clubhouse). Food and entertainment will be provided. Players and Coaches will need their provided wristbands to receive access to the activities and supplied meal. Wristbands will be given out at check-in.
Wednesday, July 26	Firework Show: 9:00 PM (approximately) Tyger River Park
Thursday, July 27	Pool Play: Games begin at 9:00 AM
Friday, July 28	Pool Play Continued & Bracket Play: Double Elimination
Saturday, July 29	Bracket Play Continued
Sunday, July 30	Championship Games
Monday, July 31	Make up Rain Date

Tournament Entry/Form

Team must be [registered](#) and have remitted an entry fee of \$1500.00 (made payable to Spartanburg County Parks) in order to participate. Deadline to enter and remit payment is July 3rd at 5:00 pm.

2023 Tyger River Park Invitational Refund Policy:

Cancellation/Refund Policy: Cancellations that occur between 30-60 days of event will receive a full refund. Cancellations less than 30 days of event will not be refunded unless due to inclement weather or other compelling circumstances which are defined as external occurrences that are unforeseeable by either party such as strikes, industry wide material shortages, riots, insurrection, fires, flood, storm, explosions, earthquakes, pandemic flu, acts of God, war, governmental action and labor conditions, other public health related concerns or a state of emergency.

All requests for refunds must be in writing from the team manager and issued to the Tournament Director.

Additionally,

Full refunds will be offered, if:

- An age group doesn't have enough teams

50% of the entry fee will be refunded, if:

- Team played one game or less and no longer can participate due to coronavirus exposure or related illnesses.

Team Roster/Waiver

Please complete and provide this form prior to or at check in. Any pick-up players MUST have the appropriate identification and parent waiver (if necessary) signed prior to or at check-in.

Insurance

All teams must submit a certificate of insurance listing Spartanburg County as additionally insured.

Team Information Sheet and Team Picture

We will be acknowledging all teams in the online tournament program. Please complete the Team Contact Information Form which can be found [online](#). Once the Team Information Form is completed and submitted, please confirm by email with [Karli Taylor](#) & [Cord Sgaglio](#). Both items need to be received no later than July 3. Photos and team information received after this date cannot be guaranteed to be included in program.

Team Check-In

Wednesday, July 26

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Tyger River Park - Clubhouse

451 Slider Ave.

Duncan, SC 29334

All coaches will show proof of background check/ACE certification along with all players who are 18 years or older. **Only late player check-in will be available following team check in and must be prior to player's first game.** Late player check-in will be available at Tyger River Park Clubhouse (upstairs)

Team Check-In Procedures

- Player and coach passes for the team social, and activities will be available in the team packet and provided at check-in.
- Bat testing will take place during the check in process.
- All coaches must produce proof of ACE certified and background check at team check-in.
- ALL coaches and personnel on the field or in the dugout during play must produce proof of a cleared background check prior to entering the field. This must be submitted at team check-in.

Team Social and Fireworks

The team social will take place on Wednesday, July 26th from 6:00 PM – 10:00PM in designated area at Tyger River Park (in front of the Clubhouse). Coaches and players will need their tournament pass to get their meal (given out at check-in). Free parking will be available at Tyger River Park in designated areas.

Following the team social and meal, a firework show will take place at approximately 9:00 PM. All teams are recommended to participate and be dressed in matching or coordinated attire; however, the attire does not have to be the team uniform. Please feel free to bring state, city, and team banners or flags.

Weather

The tournament organizers will make all effort to complete the event within the scheduled timeframe but in the event the tournament cannot be completed within the scheduled timeframe, the procedures found in ASA Code Article 510 H. 02 will be used to determine the official order of finish. Monday July 31st will be used as a rain date if needed.

It is the responsibility of the team manager to obtain inclement weather information. This information will be sent out via Tourney Machine messenger. You may also visit Tyger River Park for rescheduling information.

Thor Guard

Thor Guard is a lightening detection system that is located around Tyger River Park. If lightening is detected in the area, you will hear a loud horn sound. Once you hear this, we ask that everyone clears the fields and seek shelter in your cars. This system works based on a radius (not based on when the last strike was seen)

Once there is no more lightening detected in the area, you will hear the "All Clear" signal (three loud horns) Once we have an all clear, staff will assess the field conditions and we will continue play as soon as fields are playable.

Tournament Format

Format is three pool play games followed by double elimination. Pool play will be held on Thursday, July 27th and Friday, July 28th. Double elimination bracket play will begin on Friday, July 28th with the championship games taking place on Sunday, July 30th.

Pool Games will be 1 hour & 5 minutes finish the batter. Bracket games will be 1hr 20 minutes finish the inning.

Tournament Draw

Pool play will be based on random draw by the scheduling software.

Bracket blind draw will be held on Wednesday, July 26th at Team Check-In. Each coach will draw for your bracket game during the check-in process.

Game Times

Follow the times listed on the official tournament bracket posted at each field. Teams should be prepared to play ½ hour prior to their game time. Teams not present at game time may be considered a forfeit.

USA Rules and Regulations

All playing rules and regulations will be governed by the 2023 Official Rules of Softball USA Softball

Run Ahead Rule

A run rule of 15 after three innings, 12 after four innings, or eight after five innings will apply (ASA Rule 5, Section 9).

Protests

This is a NO protest tournament.

Uniforms

Players on a team shall properly wear uniforms that are alike in color, trim and style (USA Official Playing Rules, Rule 3 Sections 6 and 7). Coaches must be neatly attired, dressed alike or in a team uniform, and in accordance with the color code of the team.

Awards

Awards will be given to first and second place teams in each age group.

Dugouts

The team at the top of the bracket will use the first base dugout. The team at the bottom of the bracket will use the third base dugout. If a team plays "back to back" games, they can stay in the same dugout.

Home Team

A coin toss prior to the start of each game shall determine the home team. This will be handled by the umpire at home plate before the game begins.

Trainers

Athletic trainers will be provided onsite throughout the tournament.

Concessions

Concessions will be available at all the pods and will run from start to finish. Team picnics are welcomed but grills are not allowed due to safety concerns related to potential fire hazards. Teams are requested to leave areas clean and free of debris.

Game Field Location

Tyger River Park
179 Dillard Rd.
Duncan, SC 29334

Practice Fields

Field reservations for team practices will be scheduled by reaching csgaglio@spartanburgcounty.org. Each scheduled practice will be for 1 hour and 30 minutes. There will be NO practice times scheduled during team check in or team social.

Practice Field Location

North Spartanburg Park
1160 Old Furnace Rd.
Boiling Springs, SC 29316

Practice Field Location

295 Park
2100 Southport Rd.
Spartanburg, SC 29306

Gate Admissions

There will be no gate fees for this event.

Live Streaming and On-demand Video

Sign up for live streaming and on-demand video at Tyger River Park
[HiCast Sports Network - Tyger River Park](#)

Park Rules

We are honored to have you as our guest at Spartanburg County's parks. To promote visitor safety and enjoyment of the park, please comply with these [Spartanburg County Park Rules](#).