

Invitation / Official Zero Bulletin of IFA 2018 FISTBALL U18 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS USA

Summary To-dos Member Federations

INFO	DEADLINE	TO BE SENT TO
Team registration (Please note a team registration without a payment of the deposit is not valid!)	As soon as possible Latest: 30 November 2017	office@ifa-fistball.com
Payment of the deposit of € 200 per team (each € 200 per women and men team)	One week after team registra- tion	IFA bank account IBAN: AT41 2032 0321 0039 5106 BIC: ASPKAT2LXXX Sparkasse Oberösterreich

1. Invitation

International Fistball Association (IFA) and the United States Fistball Association (USFA) have the honor to invite all IFA members around the world to participate in the

IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA

which will take place in Roxbury, New Jersey, USA, from

11 - 15 July 2018

2. Organizers

The Organizer of the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA are the International Fistball Association (IFA) and the United States Fistball Association (USFA).

3. Participation, Teams and Quota

The IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA is open to all Federations affiliated to IFA as members, each of which can nominate one team. The players have to be born in year 2000 or later.

The maximum quota is 16 teams in each competition. If more than 16 teams register for the event qualifiers according to quota for the Regional Associations have to be played.







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Only Member federations that have fulfilled their financial liabilities to IFA will be admitted to the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA.

Each team has to consist of up to ten players and up to 3 officials. Additionally, every Federation is allowed to nominate 1 Head of Delegation, who may also be one of the team officials.

4. Regulations

The IFA Competition Rules (IFCR) and the IFA Regulations World Championships form the basis for the event.

5. Match days and final banquet

The matches take place from Wednesday 11 July 2018 to Sunday 15 July 2018.

The World Championship finishes with the final banquet dated Sunday 15 July 2018

6. Accommodation, board and Lodging for players and team officials

The competing teams will have to bear their own travelling expenses, accommodation and full board for all team members. Breakfast will be provided in the official team hotels, lunch will be provided at the playing fields and dinner will be provided at the Swim and Sport Club. The Organizers will arrange a per day cost for meals at cheap conditions. Teams can pay that arrangement at their arrival.

The organization committee arranged the following offer with **Quality Inn** and **Holiday Inn Hotel** in Roxbury, NJ, which will be the official team hotels during the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA:

- Rooms with a king sized bed for 2 people
- Rooms with 2 Queen sized beds for 2 to 4 people
- Including breakfast at the hotel

Price for accommodation and breakfast per day (prices plus 15% tax):

Double Rooms

Quality Inn: \$55 per person (\$110 per room)

Holiday Inn: \$ 60 per person (King room) (\$ 120 per room)

Holiday Inn: \$ 65 per person (2 Queen beds) (\$ 130 per room)

3 people per room

Quality Inn: \$ 40 per person (\$ 120 per room)

Holiday Inn: \$ 46 per person (\$ 138 per room)

4 people per room

Quality Inn: \$ 33 per person (\$ 132 per room)

Holiday Inn: \$ 37 per person (\$ 148 per room)

Please note, that currently special prices are available from time to time on hotel booking platforms like booking.com. Please feel free to book directly if you wish. As the rooms are limited in each hotel, the rooms are allocated on a 'first come first served' basis.

For reservation please contact the head of the organizing team Bob Feid with your room needs. Bob Feid will take care of the booking for each delegation.

Contact Details Mr. Bob Feid: bobf2@optonline.net

Hotel information:

Quality Inn:

Located in Ledgewood, New Jersey, opposite Morris Canal Park, this hotel features an on-site bar, seasonal outdoor pool and spacious rooms with a refrigerator and free Wi-Fi. A microwave, cable TV and work desk come furnished in all rooms at the Quality Inn Ledgewood. Each room is decorated with bright colors and carpeted floors and includes air conditioning.

Location: The hotel is only 3,2 miles from the venue (approx. 10 min by car)

http://tiny.cc/QualityInn

Holiday Inn:

The Holiday Inn Express Mount Arlington provides a number of thoughtful amenities, including free highspeed internet access and in-room coffeemakers, microwaves and mini-refrigerators. Guests can also enjoy the on-site whirlpool and fitness equipment.

Location: The hotel is only 3,6 miles from the venue (approx. 10 min by car)

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At the team registration, the transfer to the account of the International Fistball Association (IFA) of a deposit of EUR 200 per team (each EUR 200 per women and men team) is required. The deposit is not revocable. At the final invoice and full payment of the accommodation after the end of the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships the deposit will be handed over in cash to the head of delegation of each federation which took part at the IFA 2018 U18 Men's and Women's World Championships.

7. Transportation

Teams have to organize their transport to and from the airport (recommended is Newark Airport) or train station to the hotel and to and from the hotel to the venue on their own. The Organizers organized a special price for mini vans at 4 different companies:

Avis: Avis Discount for the US Fistball-Meeting-07/18 (Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) No: G976114)

These rates are good throughout the continental US and for 7 days prior to the start of the World Championship through 7 days after the end. **Discounts can be up to 30% off**. The discounts are driven by the days of the rentals. For the person renting from Thursday evening and returning on Sunday morning they may only see a discount of 10% due to the fact those days already have the weekend discount attached to them. Someone flying in and picking up a rental on Wednesday and returning it the following Monday or Tuesday will see the larger discount.

Reminder: All rentals are subject to a driver's license check and all drivers should be 25 or older with a major credit card. Any drivers between the age of 21-24 will incur an underage fee of \$27 a day.

Enterprise: https://www.enterprise.com, use the promotion code OSMB24A

Please note that drivers who are younger than 25 years are not allowed to rent minivans.

Hertz: www.hertz.com, use the promotion code (called CDP) 2136225

8. Visa Information

Generally, a citizen of a foreign country who wishes to enter the United States must first obtain a visa, either a nonimmigrant visa for temporary stay, or an immigrant visa for permanent residence. Visitor

visas are nonimmigrant visas for persons who want to enter the United States temporarily for business (visa category B-1), tourism, pleasure or visiting (visa category B-2), or a combination of both purposes (B-1/B-2).

How to Apply

There are several steps to apply for a visa. The order of these steps and how you complete them may vary at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate where you apply. Please consult the instructions available on the <u>U.S.</u> <u>Embassy or Consulate website</u> where you will apply.

Complete the Online Visa Application: https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/visit/visitor.html

- Online Nonimmigrant Visa Application, Form DS-160 Learn more about completing the DS-160. You must:
 - 1) complete the online visa application and
 - 2) print the application form confirmation page to bring to your interview.
- **Photo** You will upload your photo while completing the online Form DS-160. Your photo must be in the format explained in the Photograph Requirements.

Schedule an Interview

While interviews are generally not required for applicants of certain ages, consular officers have the discretion to require an interview of any applicant, regardless of age.

You must schedule an appointment for your visa interview, generally, at the <u>U.S. Embassy or Consulate</u> in the country where you live. You may schedule your interview at any U.S. Embassy or Consulate, but be aware that it may be difficult to qualify for a visa outside of your place of permanent residence.

Participants being in need for Visa are requested to register online as mentioned above prior to the deadlines given.

The Organizing Committee will **upon request** send invitation letters to the respective Federation.

The Organizers would like to underline that Visa procedures are the responsibility of the applying person/s. In any case but in particular in the case of late registration or failing respective procedures the Organizers are not responsible for the participant's visas. The Organizers however will be glad to assist when questions on Visa procedures should apply.

9. IFA Fistball Academy

Within the framework of the IFA 2018 Fistball U18 Men's and Women's World Championships USA IFA will organize an IFA Fistball Academy for teachers and trainers as full day training program on Saturday 14 July 2018. The aim is to provide every participant a basis knowledge of training and the Rules of the Game.

The number of participants is limited. The participants have to bear a small attendance fee, travel costs to Roxbury and hosting.

Details will be provided as soon as possible.

10. IFA Youth Congress

The IFA Youth and Sports Commission is planning to organize the 2. IFA Youth Congress within the framework of the World Championships. The aim of the IFA Youth Congress is to discuss and share the ideas of youth concepts from the IFA member federation to increase the youth appeal of fistball. Details are provided in due time.

Appendix 01 Overview Economic Conditions IFA Fistball World Championships (excerpt)

ITEM	QUANTITY	DESCRPITION	COST HOST	COST IFA	COST TEAMS
Participating teams	12 - 16	Travelling Expenses			Х
		Accommodation & Full Board			Х
		Transfer to/from airport			Х
		Transfer to/from venue			Х
IFA Reception	100 - 130	2 per team, IFA, host, media	Х		
Final dinner (Banquet)	~ 300	All players, IFA, host, media	Х		