

2009



CHAMPIONSHIP Manual

May 14-17
Jackie Robinson Stadium
Daytona Beach, FL

2009 MEAC Baseball Championship

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Pre/Post Championship Teleconference

A teleconference will be held prior to the Championships on April 28, 2009 to give an overview on championship procedures, rules, and policies. The post championship teleconference will be held on June 2, 2009. Participation by each head coach is mandatory.

Coaches Meeting

A meeting of the coaches will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 to review championship procedures, rules and policies. Attendance by each head coach is mandatory.

Social

The Championship Social will take place on Wednesday, May 13, 2009. It is required that all teams attend the reception. Dress for the reception is business casual.

Format

The MEAC Baseball Championship is a six (6) team championship. The championship is double elimination.

Protocol

Thursday-May 14, 2009 (FIRST DAY OF PLAY)

9:10AM-9:20AM	In-Field Practice (Home Team)
9:20AM-9:30AM	In-Field Practice (Visiting Team)
9:40AM-9:50AM	Introduction of teams/coaches
9:50AM-9:55AM	National Anthem
9:55AM-10:00AM	Ground Rules
10:00AM	Game #1

* There will be 25-minute intervals between each game for the purpose of the in-field practice (both teams) and ground rules.

Friday-May 15, 2009

9:25AM-9:35AM	In-Field Practice (Home Team)
9:35AM-9:45AM	In-Field Practice (Visiting Team)
9:55AM-10:00AM	Ground Rules
10:00AM	Game #4

* There will be 25-minute intervals between each game for the purpose of the in-field practice (both teams) and ground rules.

Saturday-May 17, 2008

9:25AM-9:35AM	In-Field Practice (Home Team)
9:35AM-9:45AM	In-Field Practice (Visiting Team)
9:55AM-10:00AM	Ground Rules
10:00AM	Game #7

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* There will be 25-minute intervals between each game for the purpose of the in-field practice (both teams) and ground rules.

Sunday-May 18, 2008 (CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY)

1:10PM-1:20PM	In-Field Practice (Home Team)
1:20PM-1:30PM	In-Field Practice (Visiting Team)
1:40PM-1:50PM	Introduction of teams/coaches
1:50PM-1:55PM	National Anthem
1:55PM-2:00PM	Ground Rules
2:00PM	Game #10

Practice

Practice times will be assigned from 9:00am – 3:00pm on May 13 in one hour increments based on distance from Daytona Beach, FL. (Institution closest to Daytona Beach, FL will have earliest time, while institution furthest from Daytona Beach will have latest time.)

Entries

Championship entry forms should be submitted to the MEAC Office by an institutional compliance officer not later than April 20, 2009.

Squad Size

The squad size shall be a maximum of twenty-five (25) participants.

Uniforms

Uniforms must comply with the NCAA Baseball Rules.

Participant Gifts

Championship gifts will be provided to the individuals listed on each team's Official Travel Party list. The championship gifts will be distributed to head coaches at the coaches' meeting on Wednesday, May 13.

Awards

Regular season awards for All-Conference First Team, Coach-of-the-Year, Rookie of the Year, Pitcher of the Year and Player of the Year will be presented at the Baseball Championship Social.

Awards for the Baseball Championship are awarded to the champion and runner-up teams and individual awards will be provided for Outstanding Player, Outstanding Coach and All-Tournament Team at the conclusion of championship play.

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Games Committee

The games committee consists of Co-Chair Wheeler Brown, Athletics Director, NC A&T State University, Co-Chair Dr. Deborah Calloway, Senior Woman Administrator, NC A&T State University, and Raynoid Dedeaux, Director of Championships, MEAC.

Media

Credentials: To request media credentials or to receive information, contact Sahar Abdur-Rashid, Assistant Director of Media Relations at 757-416-7100 (office) or rashids@themeac.com. Credential applications will also be available online at www.MEACsports.com. Approved credential requests will be available for pick up each day one hour prior to competition at the baseball championship.

Results: Results will be updated on the conference web site immediately following each day's competitions. Results will also be e-mailed to all MEAC SIDs, head coaches and media outlets at the conclusion of each day.

Post-Championship Interviews: Post championship interviews will take place in a designated media area immediately following the championship photos and all-tournament team announcements.

Sportsmanship

The MEAC proposes to promote mutual trust and friendly relations among its members by controlling athletic competition and keeping such competition within the bounds of sound educational activity; by promoting clean sportsmanship; and by developing public appreciation for the educational values that accrue from participation in intercollegiate athletics.

The officers and administrators of the MEAC place a high premium on professionalism, sportsmanship, and ethical conduct. As such, there are significant penalties for any breach of conduct during the course of regular season competition and to an even greater extent during the conduct of MEAC Championships.

For the purposes of general definition, misconduct in a MEAC Championship is any act of dishonesty, unsportsmanlike conduct, unprofessional behavior or breach of law on the part of any recognized University representative, occurring incident to, en route to, from or at the locale of the competition or practice that discredits the event or intercollegiate athletics.

Misconduct Incident to Competition

If the act of misconduct occurs during the competition, under normal circumstances, the individual shall be allowed to complete the competition in which he or she is participating at the time of the incident. An administrative

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hearing shall be held at the conclusion of the day's competition, during a break in the continuity of the championship when no competition is being conducted, or at the conclusion of the championship. However, if the act of misconduct is so flagrant that it obviously violates the principles of fair play and sportsmanship, the games committee may immediately withdraw the student-athlete or institutional representative from the competition, and conduct the hearing after this action. Other acts of misconduct may be dealt with at the sports committee's convenience.

Penalty for Misconduct

The sports committee (or games committee authorized to act for it) may at its sole discretion impose any one (1) or a combination of the following penalties on an institution or any student-athlete or representative of any institution, guilty of misconduct occurring incident to, en route to, from, or the locale of the competition or practice.

- (A) Public or private reprimand to the individual;
- (B) Disqualification of the individual from further participation in the Conference Championship (s) involved;
- (C) Banishment of the individual from participating in one (1) or more subsequent championships of the sport involved;
- (D) Withholding all or a portion of the institution's share of revenue distribution;
- (E) Banishment of the institution from participation in one (1) or more subsequent championships in which its team in the sport otherwise would be eligible to participate;
- (F) Financial or other penalties in addition to Nos. one (1) through six (6), but only if they have prior approval of the Delegate Assembly (DA) and the Council of Chief Executive Officer's (CCEO's).

Ban from Subsequent Championship

When a student-athlete or institutional representative is banned from participation in a subsequent championship, such penalty shall be applied to the next Conference Championship events in which the individual's team is involved and the individual otherwise is eligible to participate. In the case of an individual event, the penalty shall be applied to the next Conference Championship event(s), meet(s), or tournament(s) for which the individual qualifies and otherwise is eligible to participate.

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Schedule of Events

Wednesday- May 13

9:00 AM – 3:00PM	Practices Jackie Robinson Stadium
5:00 PM	Coaches Meeting (Mandatory Attendance)
6:30 PM	Team Banquet (Mandatory Attendance)

Thursday- May 14

10AM	Game 1
2PM	Game 2
6PM	Game 3

Friday- May 15

10AM	Game 4
2PM	Game 5
6PM	Game 6

Saturday- May 16

10AM	Game 7
2PM	Game 8
6PM	Game 9

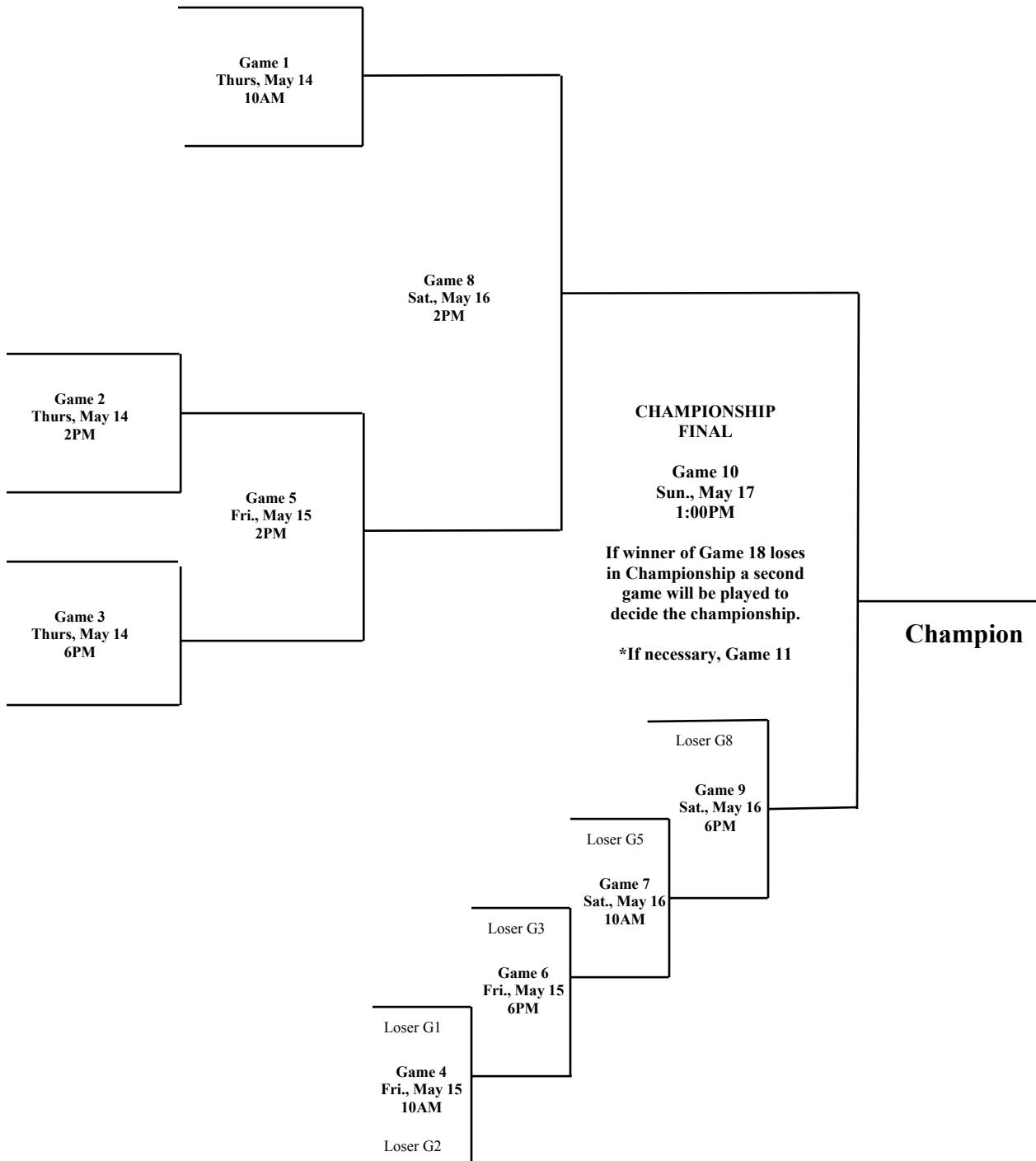
Sunday – May 17

2PM	Game 10
6PM	Game 11 (If Necessary)

**** Teams will only be able to utilize the bull area for their bullpen work.
The main mound will only be used for pitchers fielding practice.

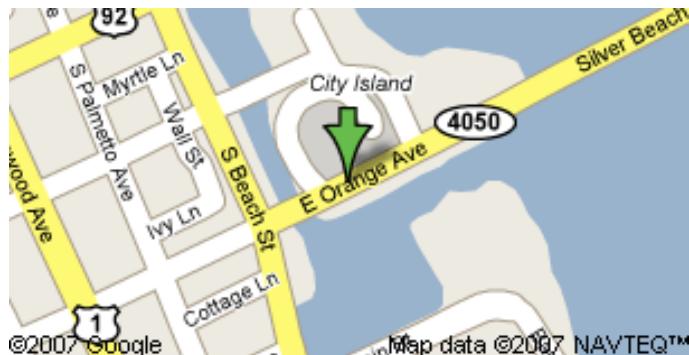
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Championship Bracket



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Driving Directions



Jackie Robinson Stadium
105 E Orange Ave
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

From points North:

I-95 to International Speedway Blvd. exit (Route 92)

- East to Beach Street
- South to Orange Ave.
- East to ballpark

Or

- I-4 to I-4 East/95 South proceed to Rt 400/Beville Road
- East on Beville Road to US 1/Ridgewood Ave
- North on Ridgewood Ave to Orange Ave
- East on Orange Ave to ballpark

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Lodging

Plaza Resort & Spa
600 N. Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, FL.
(386) 267-1639

Sleep Inn
170 Williamson Blvd
Ormond Beach, FL.
(386) 673-6030

Ramada Inn Speedway
1798 W. International Speedway Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL
(386) 255-2422

Hampton Inn
1715 West International Speedway Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL.
(386) 257-4030

Hilton Garden Inn
189 Midway Drive
Daytona Beach, FL.
(386) 944-4000

Courtyard Marriott
1605 Richard Petty Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL
(386) 255-3388

Hilton Daytona Beach
Resort/Ocean Walk Village
100 North Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, FL
(386) 254-8200

Best Western Castillo Del Sol
205 S Atlantic Avenue
Ormond Beach, FL
(386) 672-6711