

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL AMERICANISM COMMISSION
P.O. BOX 1055
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206**

MEMORANDUM TO: Department Baseball Chairman

Enclosed is the American Legion Baseball Certification of Department Champion form for you to certify to National Headquarters your team for national competition.

Please review with the winning Team Manager, **Form #15**, and the **ALB Tournament Rules & Policies**. We are certain he will have several questions that you will be able to answer. If there are any questions, please have the coach call National Headquarters at (317) 630-1213. Please complete this form and email to baseball@legion.org.

The following forms and items must arrive at ALWS, Lowes Center no later than 11:59 p.m. **Saturday, July 29, 2023.**

1. **Form #18 (Certification of Department Champion)** – This form can be emailed to baseball@legion.org.
2. **Form #10 (Team Photo Identification)** - A digital team photo should be included with the email.
3. **Form #25 (Team Housing)** – This form can be filled out and submitted with the email.

The team managers shall personally deliver to the onsite National Tournament Director, **Driver's Licenses that comply with federal Real ID law of all the players. Department of Homeland Security has extended Real ID deadline to May 2025. Original or state certified Birth Certificates or Passports or American Legion Baseball ID Cards.**

The team will not be authorized transportation until Form #18 and supporting documentation are received and checked by the National Headquarters staff.

Teams **must have 9 players** in uniform in order to participate at a National Regional Tournament. If a team does not have 9 players and they are affiliated with a junior program, then up to 3 players can be transferred from the junior program to the senior program to meet the 9-player minimum. Players must be certified by the Department Chairman using the ALB Form #5.

cc: Department Adjutant

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL Certification of Champion

The _____ Department American Legion Baseball Committee hereby certifies,
(Department)
that the _____ team sponsored by _____,
(Name of team) (Name & Number of Post, or sponsoring organization, City & State)
will participate and represent this Department at the 2023 American Legion Regional Baseball Tournament.

Season Record: _____ Wins _____ Losses

As Manager of the team listed above, hereby certify that I have received the Team's Manager Packet, and I have read and understand the instructions contained in ALB Tournament Rules & Policies, Official Rules Book, American Legion Rule Book, and Form #15.

Team Manager (Signed) _____

COMPLETE ONLY IF INFORMATION ON WEBSITE IS NOT ACCURATE.

The Adult Team Manager is: _____ EMAIL: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Evening Phone: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

The Coach is: _____ EMAIL: _____

Address - City State & Zip: _____

Evening Phone: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

There are _____ Certified Players who participated in the State Tournament (A minimum of 9 certified players are REQUIRED to advance to the National Tournaments).

As the duly authorized representative for the Department, I hereby certify and verify that the coaches listed on National Form #1 have successfully completed and passed the mandated background screening and adult training requirements for the 2023 season and I further verify and certify that all information on the attached forms have been checked by me and found to be correct.

(Signed - Department Baseball Chairman)

- A copy of Form #18 must be sent to The American Legion National Headquarters.
- A copy of form #18 shall be given to the Department Headquarters for record-keeping purposes.

IMMEDIATELY EMAIL

Deadline - 11:59 p.m. - July 29, 2023

ALWS Shelby Headquarters
117-A West Warren Street
Shelby, NC 28150

QUESTIONS: Call (317) 260-6669 (cell)

There are several methods of transmitting this information to the National Office.

1. Email forms and photos to baseball@legion.org (preferred method)
2. Express Mail, UPS, or FedEx (overnight delivery) or use priority mail if you can meet the deadline of 11:59 p.m., July 30, 2023.

Mailing Address:

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