

*14U Grafton Invitational  
July 10 - 12, 2026  
Nelson Park, Grafton MA*

This tournament will be played under the traditional 3 pool game, single elimination playoff format. We are limiting the field to just 12 teams. Please register early to secure your spot.

You must register and pay online at **RegisterPlay**. The tournament fee is \$600 and this is a Pay-at-the-Plate event. *Please note that this event is sanctioned by the MA USA Softball and only USA Softball B and C registered teams are eligible to participate.*

We believe that we offer one of the best tournament experiences in New England. All games will be at Nelson Park which has 3 well-groomed softball fields in one location. Our dedicated volunteers drag and reline the infields (all lines, not just the foul lines) *before every game!* The Field House includes a concession stand and clean rest rooms. Plus, there is ample parking and plenty of space for teams to relax between games.

We hope that the tournament will be a positive and enjoyable experience for the players, coaches, and families of each of the teams entered.

For more information please contact me directly.

Regards,



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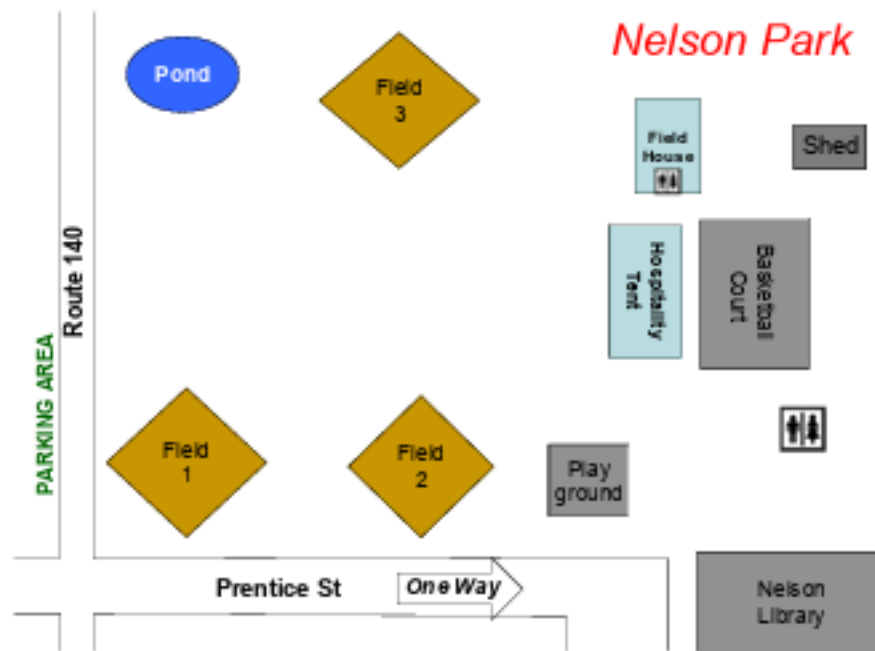


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## General Information



### Complex Info:

Nelson Park is located at 6 Prentice St in North Grafton. The complex has 3 softball fields, Concession stand with bathrooms, basketball court and a playground. There are no outfield fences. There is plenty of open space to picnic and relax between games. Please note that the Town of Grafton prohibits smoking at Nelson Park.

### Parking:

There is ample parking in the large grassy area on Route 140 across the street from Nelson Park. Library parking is reserved for umpires and tournament staff.

*Please note that Nelson Park is located within a residential neighborhood. While there is limited on-street parking along Prentice Street and surrounding streets, we strongly encourage everyone to use the lot across the street. If you do park along Prentice or side streets, please be courteous to our neighbors and make sure you do not block driveways or park on someone's lawn.*

### T-Shirts & Concessions:

The stand offers hamburgers, hot dogs and ice cream treats in addition to drinks and snacks. Tournament T-shirts can be pre-ordered. We may have a limited supply available in the stand.

### Awards:

Awards will be presented to the top two teams.  
*Please note that we are not doing MVP balls after each game.*

### Umpires:

Two umpires per game. This is a Pay-at-the-Plate event.

### Weather:

Rain-outs and rain delays will be determined at the field by the tournament director based on current conditions. Game times and number of games played may be adjusted if weather requires.

## STANDINGS & PLAYOFF RULES

Seeding will be based on pool games. Teams will be awarded 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie.

Tie breakers will be used in the following order:

1. Head to head games (if more than two teams are tied, head to head applies if and only if the tied teams have all played each other),
2. Least amount of runs allowed,
3. Most runs scored,
4. Coin flip. (or "names drawn from a hat" if more than 2 teams are tied.)

Higher seed will be home team.

Games will be 7 innings. During the first round and quarter-finals, no new inning may start after 1 hour 30 minutes. There is no time limit for the semi-final and championship games.

In the event of a tie, we will use the international tie breaker (see USA Softball rulebook).