



# INVITATION

## TO THE 2011-12 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN TAVARES, FL

Dear MCFFU and USA Flag Football Circuit Members, partners, teams and players:

Congratulations on another outstanding season and welcome to the 2011-12 Flag Football World Championships! The **5th Annual 9-Man Ineligible Flag Football World Championships** will be held at the Hickory Point Park – in Tavares, FL on January 13-15, 2012!

This event will feature the top 9-Man Ineligible teams in the country in Pro, Pro Open and Competitive (B) Divisions! This years' World Championships will see the return of the **Defending 9-Man Ineligible World Champions – NY Gladiators** as well as the reigning **Pro Open World Champions – New Era (FL)** as they look to take their first shot at the Pro title!



**NOTE:** All scores, standings, game times and advancing teams for the Pro Open for Sunday's Single Elimination Round will be released at the sponsor venue Saturday night 1 hour after the last game has concluded. Sunday's schedule will also be posted online after this event on the MCFFU website/messageboard. *No official information for Sunday will be released prior to this event.*

**SCORE CARD SIGNING:** After each game, both captains are to sign/initial the score cards by the Head Officials to verify correct scoring. Any unsigned score card will be considered an approved score by both teams.

**NOTE:** Reminder that in an effort to provide top-tier facilities for this event, the World Championships was moved to the Hickory Point Park in Tavares, FL



# LAKE COUNTY

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## FLORIDA

### **STYLES OFFERED:**

- 9-Man Ineligible (A)
- 9-Man Ineligible (A Open)
- 9-Man Ineligible (Competitive B)

*In case there are not enough 9-Man Ineligible B teams, 9-Man B will be combined with the 9-Man Pro Open Division for rounds 1-3; then separated on Sunday into (2) divisions. This will be known immediately following the final deadline for registration.*

**WELCOME TO THE FLA G FOOTBALL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN TAVARES, FL**

### **WHEN & WHERE**

**Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday – January 12-15, 2012**

**Hickory Point Park  
27341 State Road 19  
Tavares, FL 32778**

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

#### **Thursday, 1/12/12**

Time 6:00PM – Mandatory MCFFU Competition Committee and Directors Meeting

Time 8-10PM – Player Meet and Greet (Schedules and Games Times)

*All meetings held at the Mission Inn Hotel and Spa*

#### **Friday, 1/13/12**

12 Noon – 1<sup>st</sup> Round of WC Pool Play begins *(Single elimination rd for Top 16 if necessary)*

#### **Saturday, 1/14/12**

9 AM – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Round of WC Pool Play begins

#### **Sunday, 1/15/12**

9 AM – 1<sup>st</sup> Round of the Single-Elimination Round begins



# The Mission Inn

## HOTEL & SPA

A NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

Mission Inn Resort  
10400 County Rd 48  
Howey-in-the-Hills, FL 34737

### **COMPETING PLAYERS:**

All participating players MUST have the following the qualify to compete

- Matching uniform jersey's and bottoms (**MCFFU Uniform policy strictly enforced**)
- Numbers on back of the jersey
- Full names matching any government identification (**No ID; play is ineligible**)
- Complete Team Roster submitted Thursday night at the meeting
- Legal Sonic Pop or Triple Threat Flag Belts (based on style of play)

### **WC TOURNAMENT FORMAT:**

The WC tournament format will begin with each team playing (1) game on Friday, (2) games Saturday (Guaranteed 3 games for each team) with the top (10) teams advancing to the single-elimination rounds on Sunday for each Division.

#### **9-Man Pro Division**

<b>16 Pro Teams</b>	<b>10 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
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#### **9-Man Open & 8-Man Ineligible Open Division**

<b>8 to 12 teams</b>	<b>8 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
<b>13 to 16 teams</b>	<b>10 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
<b>17 to 20 teams</b>	<b>12 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
<b>21 + teams</b>	<b>16 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>

#### **All Other Divisions**

<b>8 to 12 teams</b>	<b>8 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
<b>13 to 16 teams</b>	<b>10 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
<b>17 to 20 teams</b>	<b>12 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>
<b>21 + teams</b>	<b>16 Teams Advance to Sunday</b>

### **WC TOURNAMENT SEEDING:**

In the 16 Pro Division; teams will be seeded according to rankings only; so teams may play local teams in the first round. (Regional match-ups DO NOT APPLY for the Pro Division – ONLY seeding).

For the Pro Open Division, teams will be seeded by the MCFFU National Rankings and their Total Points Accumulation on the World Championships Circuit. *Teams will then be matched up against teams from other regions to complete their pool.*

### **TOURNAMENT FEES:**

- **\$595** + ref fees (9-Man Pro) - **\$670 if after the 1<sup>st</sup> deadline**
- **\$495** + ref fees (9-Man/8-Man Ineligible Open) - **\$570 after the 1<sup>st</sup> deadline**

We will accept absolutely no registrations and fees after the 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline. NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 1<sup>ST</sup> DEADLINE: CREDIT CARDS & MONEY ORDERS ONLY. ANY CHECKS FORWARDED WILL NOT BE CREDITED UNTIL PROCESSED

**NOTE:** DEPOSITS OF \$300 BEFORE THE FIRST DEADLINE OF DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> WILL ELIMINATE ANY LATE FEES

- **1<sup>st</sup> Deadline December 30<sup>th</sup> 2011 (no late fee if on or before this date)**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Final Deadline January 8<sup>th</sup> 2012 (\$75 late fee included)**

**NOTE:** Ref fees are \$45 per game, per team  
*The MCFFU pays the ref fees for the final 4 of each division.*

### **TOURNAMENT PRIZE:**

#### 9-MAN INELIGIBLE (A)

<b>16 Teams</b>	<b>\$3500</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>
<b>16 Teams</b>	<b>\$1500</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>

#### 9-MAN INELIGIBLE (Open)

<b>8 - 11 Teams</b>	<b>\$500 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>
<b>12 - 14 Teams</b>	<b>\$750 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>
<b>15 - 17 Teams</b>	<b>\$1000 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>
<b>18 Teams +</b>	<b>\$1000 1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$500 2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Trophy
- MVP Awards

### **SIDELINE FEES:**

There will be a minimum fee of \$50 for any team(s) leaving trash and/or debris after their game, which will have to be paid prior to their next game. We must work to keep our facilities as clean as possible in order to continue ensuring quality fields and environments for participating teams and families.

### **TOURNAMENT NOTABLES AND AMENITIES:**

- Guaranteed 3 games for every team
- Guaranteed “TRUE” game times
- 24 minute halves with 2-minute game clock in each half
- Showers, locker and laundry facilities available to allow players to prepare for departure immediately from the fields – eliminating the need to return the hotel or extend their stay.
- Pools released a week prior to the start of the event
- Schedules available Thursday at the Coaches Meeting – *unlike before*
- Official rosters for all teams MUST be turned in at the Coaches Meeting
- **Each team is responsible for their own flags (sonic-pop)**

### **TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

- All teams must be in complete matching uniforms (top, bottoms & numbers). Out of uniform players will be ineligible to participate in the tournament.
- Sidelines must consist of players and coaches ONLY; no exceptions – there will be an area where spectators will be able to view the games.
- Teams waiting to play MUST remain behind the endzones until the team(s) on the field have completely vacated the sideline before stationing.
- Each team is responsible for their sidelines; no exceptions – fines will be administered to any team who fails to remove all trash and debris from their sideline after each game.

### **TEAM ROSTERS: (Please read carefully)**

9-MAN PRO & PRO OPEN DIVISION – Maximum 30 players per team...

*Teams WILL NOT be allowed to exceed the 30 player roster limit*

ANY ROSTER VIOLATIONS WILL RESULT IN A FORFEIT OF THE GAME IN QUESTION – NO EXCEPTIONS.

All Rosters must have the following:

- Full name of player as seen on a valid driver license or other official ID
- Submitted e-mail address
- Signed waiver form
- Players can ONLY be on (1) roster for the World Championships
- Players ARE NOT eligible to compete on multiple teams regardless of division
- **Each player must have a valid driver licenses or state ID on hand AT ALL TIMES in case of roster challenge by opposing team. Failure to produce a valid ID will result in an immediate player forfeit and possible forfeit of the game in question.**

Visit [www.mcffu.com](http://www.mcffu.com) and complete all the steps in the “Registration” section on the top of the main page.



**TEAM TRAVEL AND LODGING:**

Official Travel Package can be found in the "World Championships – Florida" section of the MCFFU official website ([www.mcffu.com](http://www.mcffu.com)).

More details regarding the 2011-12 Flag Football World Championships will be released as we near the tournament via the MCFFU website and Flag Fanz Social Network.

We thank you for both your time and consideration regarding the WC and should you have any questions, please free to contact us directly.

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