



**About the
American
Women's
Baseball
Federation
and
the USA Women's
Baseball National
Program**

The American Women's Baseball Federation (AWBF) is a non-profit organization formed to organize and promote baseball for women. The AWBF was founded to help women's baseball teams throughout the country network and compete in organized tournaments.

Since 1992, AWBF has organized 17 regional and national tournaments. With international partner Women's Baseball Association of Japan (WBAJ), it organized the first four Women's World Series events. National teams have met in Canada (2001), the United States (2002), Australia (2003) and Japan (2004) to play for international bragging rights.

The AWBF keeps a database of players interested in trying out for the USA Baseball Women's National Team. Interested players are directed to USA Baseball, which has tryouts and selects a national team each year.

USA Baseball is the national governing body for amateur baseball in the United States. USA Baseball selected its first women's national team to compete in the 2004 Women's World Cup of Baseball in Edmonton. An 18-player team was chosen after open tryouts across the nation, and the squad went on to capture the gold medal in the first-ever International Baseball Federation sanctioned Women's World Cup in Edmonton, Canada. Team USA won its second Gold Medal at the 2006 Women's World Cup in Taiwan.

The third Women's World Cup of Baseball will be in Japan Aug. 24-29. Coaches from the USA Baseball women's national team will be in Kenosha, Wis., July 4-6, to assess players to invite to the USA Baseball Women's Final Trials in Compton, Calif., Aug. 15-20.

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(For more information, go to www.awbf.org or www.usabaseball.com.)

