



KICKBALL

CAPTAIN'S GUIDE

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ABOUT US

A nonprofit, LGBTQIA+ organization
for athletes, run by athletes



Below the Belt Sports, Inc. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded by brothers, Morgan and Chandler Roth, with the intention of planning and executing LGBTQIA+ sports tournaments in Southeastern cities of the United States. The Inaugural Below the Belt Cup will be hosted in October 2025 in Atlanta, GA.

From the Founders:

After the quarantine of the early COVID-19 Pandemic, my brother and I found ourselves in different cities, with different lives and a foreign feeling of loneliness. Through LGBTQIA+ sports we were able to create meaningful relationships in our city and we expanded those networks when we traveled for Kickball to Las Vegas, Philly, Cleveland, and many unexpected cities across the U.S.

Travel tournaments inspire unity and togetherness in a climate where that sometimes feels impossible. These large-scale events bring a significant financial impact to their host cities, and shine light and wealth on fantastic charities and nonprofits benefitting the LGBTQIA+ community. We believe it's time for cities in the Southeast to reap these benefits as well, and we've assembled a team of incredible athletes to bring that vision to life.

We invite you to join us on this journey!

Signed

Morgan Roth, Executive Director
Chandler Roth, Comms Director



ABOUT ATLANTA

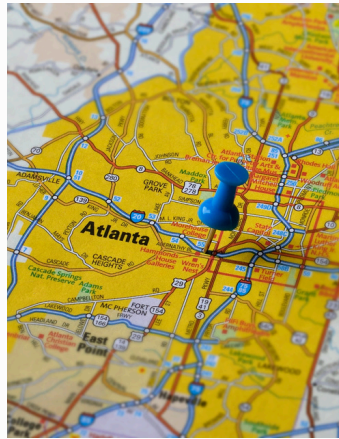
Atlanta is the capital of the U.S. state of Georgia



FUN FACTS

The birthplace of Coca-Cola. You'll find over 70 streets named 'Peachtree' in the city limits.

Hartsfield-Jackson International is the busiest airport in the world.



1996 OLYMPICS

The 1996 Summer Olympics were an international multi-sport event held from July 19 to August 4, 1996, in Atlanta. It was the last time the ceremonies were held in the U.S., the next time being 2028 in Los Angeles.



CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY

Many of the great civil rights leaders called Atlanta home. The city has a rich history in the movement, with historical landmarks to visit.



Sports in the city

Professional teams

Like most southern cities, Atlanta has a strong admiration for sports. Our notable professional teams:

- Falcons (football)
- Braves (baseball)
- United (soccer)
- Hawks (basketball)
- Dream (basketball)
- Vibe (indoor volleyball)

LGBTQIA+ organizations

Atlanta has a multitude of LGBTQIA+-centric sports leagues, including:

- Atlanta Sports & Social
- GoKickball PRIDE
- Hot Mess Sports
- PRIDE Sports
- Rainbow Trouts
- Stonewall Sports Atlanta

and now...

BELOW THE BELT SPORTS

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CAPTAIN

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Taking on the role of captain is an enjoyable way to engage and contribute!

As a captain, you'll be responsible for organizing your team, ensuring everyone is informed about schedules and locations, such as the proximity of venues to the host hotel or the convenience of public transportation options like MARTA. You'll also coordinate with your teammates to make the most of the exciting activities available, from quick trips to Midtown to explore the arts, to enjoying the vibrant local sports culture.

Embrace the role with enthusiasm, and you'll not only enhance your own experience but also create memorable moments for your team.

7 DAYS OUT

Confirm Your Roster and Team Waivers

- Ensure that your roster and team waivers are finalized.
- Distribute the schedule to your teammates, making sure everyone understands the expectations for the weekend.
- Take a moment to review the rules with your team members.

48 HOURS OUT

Confirm Your Attendance and Travel Arrangements

- Verify your attendance and finalize your travel plans.
- Appoint your co-captain for the event.
- Review the weather plan provided by the tournament team.

24 HOURS OUT

Check in at the Starling Hotel for registration. Be sure to share meeting locations with your teammates for the Saturday games.

BELOW THE BELT CUP

WEEKEND AT A GLANCE



The inaugural Below the Belt Cup will feature Kickball played over the course of two days. Saturday games will be Round Robin style and Sunday will be a single elimination style tournament. Events will be held nightly, commencing Friday and closing on Sunday night.

The cup commences on Friday October 3rd and conclude Sunday October 5th

FRIDAY

Registration & opening party

SATURDAY

Game day & main event party

SUNDAY

Elimination day & closing party

Where is it?

Kickball will be played in the Active Oval of Piedmont Park. You can find a field map on the following page of this guide.

Events will be hosted at entertainment venues in the Atlanta city limits.

You will be able to spot Tournament Team Members in their BTB shirts in the Host Hotel over the weekend!

Who will be there?

It's open to all players at or above the age of 21. Below the Belt does not discriminate based on gender, sexual orientation, race, religion, or disabled status.

We welcome and encourage members of the LGBTQIA+ community, and allies, to attend.

Subscribe to email updates on our website, belowthebeltsports.org

Follow us on social media for live weekend updates.



KICKBALL VENUE



PIEDMONT PARK

The active oval in Piedmont Park is can house 10 fields and contains indoor bathrooms and water fountains. All fields are within walking distance to public transit, restaurants, and bars.

GETTING THERE

The Active Oval is located in the Northwest part of Piedmont Park. From the Host Hotel, walk down 14th Street, through the gate into the park, and you will see the oval there!

SCHEDULES

Game Schedules will be released on Monday September 29th.

Tournament Staff will be available throughout the day for questions or emergencies

COMMUNICATION

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INFO DESK

An information desk will be staffed throughout the games, located in the large pavilion down the stairs from the fields. A first-aid kit and water for refilling water bottles will also be located here.

CAPTAIN'S GROUP CHAT

Monday September 29th, Captains will receive an email invitation to our Captain's group chat. We will utilize this chat for the tournament weekend.

TEAMLINKT

Tournament schedules will be posted in TeamLinkt on September 29th.

Be sure to download the Below the Belt Sports app to receive push notification during the weekend!

KICKBALL OVERVIEW

OVERVIEW

Kickball will play round-robin style on Saturday, with an elimination style tournament on Sunday to determine the winners of each division.

KICKBALL RULES

Below the Belt follows the traditional kickball set of rules with 11 players in the field, 5 innings, and games that won't exceed 60 minutes.

[Full rules can be found on our website here.](#)



QUICK REFERENCE

UNIFORMS

Teams may play in their own team jerseys on Saturday during pool play. Teams must wear their provided BTB Shirts on Sunday. Cleats are allowed (no metal tips).

INCIDENT REPORT

If you need to report an incident, whether medical or conduct based, please use the form in the Below the Belt Sports app, or find a team member at the information desk.

ALCOHOL POLICY

Absolutely NO VISIBLE ALCOHOL is allowed in the Active Oval. This is strictly enforced by the Piedmont Park Conservancy.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

FRIDAY/OCT 5 - SUNDAY/OCT 5

A WEEKEND TO REMEMBER

Tournament festivities begin on Friday, with the t-shirt pickup and sign-in at the host hotel, and continues through the Wrap Party and award ceremony on Sunday.

Our Early Arrivers event will be at the Atlanta Eagle from 7pm to 10pm.



FRIDAY

4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Team check-in
and

t-shirt pick up

*The Starling Hotel
Conference Room*

7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

*Below the Belt
Ball*

*Savanna Hall at
Zoo Atlanta*

SATURDAY

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Round Robin
Game Play

7 p.m. to late

*Below the Belt
Bash with DJ
Adamusic*

*Monday Night
Brewing The Grove*

SUNDAY

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Single
Elimination
Finals

5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Wrap Party

Park Tavern

Below the Belt Ball

FRIDAY EVENING



WHAT IS IT

A night of friends, fun, and debauchery! The Below the Belt Ball is the ultimate drag competition to find and crown Ms. Below-the-Belt. The evening will have cash bars, a dance floor, and a drag competition open to submissions from local and traveling Queens.

WHEN IS IT

Friday October 3
7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

WHERE IS IT

Savanna Hall at Zoo Atlanta
800 Cherokee Ave SE
Atlanta, GA 30315, USA

MEET YOUR HOST!

Malachi is an Atlanta LEGEND!
We are so excited to have our favorite queen host our inaugural opening party!



Only registered players and ticketed event pass holders will be permitted entry into the 'Below the Belt' Ball. Event is not open to the general public.

All attendees must be 21+ years of age and have valid proof of identification.

BELOW THE BELT BASH

SATURDAY EVENING

WHAT IS IT

Let's blow off some steam on the dance floor after a day of play! The Below the Belt Bash is the main event party of the weekend. The evening will have cash bars, a dance floor, and DJ Adamusic to spin tracks all night long.

WHEN IS IT

Saturday October 4
7:00 PM to Midnight

WHERE IS IT

Monday Night Brewing
West Midtown
670 Trabert Ave NW
Atlanta, GA 30318

WELCOME DJ ADAMUSIC!

Adamusic (aka Adam Wright) is the internet's favorite DJ, mash-up king, and certified pop tastemaker. Known for flipping chart-toppers into viral gold, Adam has built a massive following with his remixes of everyone from Ariana Grande to Britney Spears.



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Wrap Party

SUNDAY EVENING



WHAT IS IT

No tournament weekend is complete without an awards party! The Wrap Party is the culmination of an unforgettable weekend. It's a time for players to come together and celebrate not just the victories, but the memories made along the way.

WHEN IS IT

Sunday October 5
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

WHERE IS IT

Park Tavern (located in Piedmont Park)



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GETTING AROUND ATLANTA

GENERAL TRANSIT

MARTA is a quick and easy way to get around Atlanta. Breeze cards make getting on and off the train simple. Load your card with as many trips or days as you'd like. A single trip costs only \$2.50. We've noted the Midtown stop on the map closest to the host hotel.



QUICK TRIPS

Take the red/gold line to **Arts Center** for **Tournament** fun!
the red/gold line to **Arts Center** for **The High Museum**
the blue/green line to **GWCC** for **World of Coca-Cola**
the blue/green line to **King Memorial** to start your **Civil Rights History Tour**

MARTA runs directly into the airport terminal, allowing seamless transportation into the city!

TOURNAMENT TRANSIT

Below the Belt Sports is lucky enough to have venues that are walking distance from the host hotel. For our event venues, we suggest rideshares such as Lyft. Parking is limited at the events.

WALKABILITY

Kickball venues are right down the street from the host hotel! Take a quick scoot down 14th street straight to the entrance of Piedmont Park and the active oval.

RIDE SHARE

For those staying outside the host hotel, Uber and Lyft have a large presence in our city. Our venues have easy drop off and pick up locations.

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES

The Starling Hotel - Host Hotel
188 14th St NE, Atlanta, GA 30361

Savanna Hall - Opening Party
800 Cherokee Ave SE, Atlanta, GA 30315

Monday Night - The Grove -
Saturday
670 Trabert Ave NW Atlanta, GA 30318

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Lodging:

- Host Hotel - The Starling Hotel Midtown, Curio Collection by Hilton
 - 188 14th St NE, Atlanta, GA 30361

Official Cup Events:

- Friday Night - Savanna Hall - Zoo Atlanta
 - 800 Cherokee Ave SE, Atlanta, GA 30315
- Saturday Night - Monday Night Brewing - The Grove
 - 670 Trabert Ave NW Atlanta, GA 30318
- Sunday Night - Park Tavern
 - 500 10th St NE, Atlanta, GA 30309

Kickball Venue:

- Piedmont Park - Entrance at Piedmont Ave & 13th Street