

## **GAME RULES**

**Parks will open at 8 am and bathrooms 10 am**

**Following rules understand that these rules are in place to keep games on time as well as keep a safe number of people at the parks. If not specified below this tournament will follow USA Softball rules:**

1. The game will start at the scheduled time.
2. Time limit: No new inning after 1hr 20min,
3. Drop-dead after and 1hr and 35 min. The score reverts back to the last inning.
4. All games will be timing except for the championship game.
5. 5 run capped for the first 3 innings (For C Tournaments only)
6. No run cap for the championship game (For C Tournaments only)
7. Mercy rule in effect 12 after 3,10 after 4,8 after 5.
8. Courtesy runners for pitchers and catchers only
9. Any player can be used as a courtesy runner for the pitcher or catcher.
10. Teams can bat all roster players
11. Teams can bat all roster players with the DP/Flex
12. EP can be listed in any spot of the batting order
  
13. When only batting nine defensive players:  
If an injured player is not able to bat an out will be recorded for their turn at bat unless the team has a substitute not already in the batting order that can take their place
  
14. When batting more than nine defensive players and have no available substitutes  
If an injured player is not able to bat in their place in the batting order, the batting order will be compressed to the number of batters in the batting order less the injured player with no out recorded for the injured player unable to bat.  
An injured player cannot return to the game in which she was injured.
  
15. No one is allowed behind the backstop.

### **Guest Players:**

Guest players must be added to your roster prior to the start of the tournament.

Guest players cannot be added during the tournament.

Using players that are not on your tournament roster will result in a forfeit of that game.

## **FORFEITS:**

**Should a team forfeit all of their games in pool play, they cannot advance to bracket play, and are out of the tournament. A team that forfeits a pool play game that is in progress due to injury may still advance to the bracket. Runs for and against will still count for seeding purposes whether or not the team that forfeits is behind or ahead in the game. Example. Team 1 is winning in the top of the 5th inning but has to forfeit due to injury, to determine runs allowed/for, revert to the last complete inning played, which would be the score at the end of the 4th inning. If the forfeit takes place in the first inning, the final score will be 7-0**

## **Withdrawing from a tournament:**

Teams should plan for the unexpected and understand that the scheduling process starts weeks and sometimes months before an event is scheduled to take place and often times events are full for months.

- A full refund shall be given if a team withdraws 2 months prior to the tournament.
- No refund shall be given if a team withdraws within 2 months of an event unless a replacement team is found.

## **Refunds, cancellations or shortening of a tournament.**

While we will make every attempt to play each event, weather may prevent an event from being completed or in some cases, even starting. In those cases:

- If at least 2 games are started no refund is provided.
- If at least 1 game is started a 50% refund is given.
- If no games are started a \$500 refund will be given.