

Tournament Rules and Information

(Make sure and see metal cleat policy #14)

1. ASA Softball rules will apply for all games. **RULES EXCEPTION** – During pool play only you may bat your lineup and free sub on defense if you choose. **During bracket play we will go straight ASA rules.** You must always maintain the integrity of your lineup on offense; pool or bracket. If a player walks or is HBP she must take the base awarded and cannot bat again pool or bracket.
2. All games are an hour and 40 minutes and games can end in a tie in pool. We will play ITB with a runner on 2nd once time has expired to produce a winner in bracket. **Teams must be ready to play 30 minutes prior to game time.** Gate fee will be \$10 per day or a weekend pass for \$25, 10 and under admitted free. Full concession stand will be open and running, no food or drink will be admitted except 1 team cooler.
3. Umpires will allow pitchers three pitches or 1 minute between innings (whichever is less). Teams should hurry on and off the field to ensure pitcher/catcher warm-ups. It is imperative that any post-game team meetings not take place until the dugout is cleared and cleaned, and the field is vacated. Likewise, teams should be ready to occupy the dugout and be prepared to start play. During warm-ups DO NOT pitch, throw, or hit towards the field of play. Fields will be set at 200ft on all fields except 2 inner quad fields' are permanent at 225ft.
4. Home team will be decided by coin toss in all games
5. This is a no protest tournament. If you have a rules violation or rule interpretation problem stop the game, and the clock, and get the UIC involved right then for a decision. No UIC will come to the field for judgment calls, if you have a rules problem clear it up on the field when it happens.
6. Tournament director reserves the right to re-schedule games/fields or delay start times of games if conditions warrant
7. All uniform players and up to three coaches will be admitted free of charge.
8. There is no check in station, everyone has pre-paid and you can assume your field during your allotted time slot.
9. **Use of profanities will not be tolerated from fans, coaches or players.** Any use of profanities is an automatic ejection for the remainder of the tournament. Coaches are responsible for the actions of their fans using reasonable judgment.
10. **Home team will be responsible for keeping the official book and the visiting team will be responsible for keeping the scoreboard.** There are DESIGNATED SPOTS to easily watch the game and keep the scoreboard at the same time. If the visiting team is unable or unwilling to keep the board, the home team is more than welcome. Adults only on the scoreboard please.
11. If the tournament is cut short due to weather we will resume where we left off, if possible, and when possible. If we incur a long delay; game times can be cut or games eliminated to get back on schedule.
12. We will provide three 47/375 balls per field at the start of each game, Dugouts are responsible for getting foul balls back to the fields to keep the game moving. Umpires will be instructed to wait on you to return the ball so make sure and send someone after the ball if it's out on your side. If you run out of balls you are welcome to throw in a 47/375 ball to keep the game moving until the game ball returns.
13. Dugouts are not assigned, use common courtesy when picking your dugout.
14. **METAL CLEAT POLICY – For turf fields only, no metal cleats can be worn by pitchers, no exceptions. Any other player can wear metal but we prefer infielders wear turf shoes. The fields are turf infields and natural grass outfields.**