



Legacy Sports Park Fastpitch Tournament Rules

- Ages- as of August 31st. Have birth certificates on hand if they should be requested.
- Approved bats should be ASA/USSSA.
- All protests are to be resolved at the time of the protest. UIC and Tournament Director will have the final say. No protest can be made for judgement calls. All protests must be made before next pitch. Teams cannot protest once the final out is recorded. Any player or coach that is ejected from a game cannot continue to coach from the stands and must maintain their distance from dugouts.
- Courtesy runners are optional for both pitcher and catcher at any time. The last batted out may run. If the player is the pitcher or catcher the next batted out in lineup will be the runner. Subs can also be courtesy runners. The same courtesy runner cannot be used for the pitcher and the catcher.
- Maximum 18 number of players. The final rosters must be given to the tournament director at least an hour before your scheduled game. A team can begin play with eight (8) players. That team will receive an out for the ninth slot in the batting order (if a ninth player shows up during the game, the player can be inserted into the last spot in the batting order which would eliminate the automatic out).

Teams cannot change to free substitution when starting with eight players (in the event that a team has additional late players show up – nine (9) is the maximum for the remainder of this game).

Teams can NEVER finish a game with eight (8) players on an ejection. A team can finish with 8 players if due to injury, with the injured players spot becoming an automatic out. Teams cannot finish with less than 8 players.
- In all age divisions, two (2) Extra Hitters will be allowed unless a team chooses to bat their entire lineup.

A team using an Extra Hitter is required to make the opposing team as well as the plate umpire aware of the EH prior to the start of the game. This must be addressed when covering field ground rules. Both teams must exchange lineup cards with the opposing team and the plate umpire.

A team using an EH will have a ten (10) player lineup and this lineup must be used the remainder of the game.

A team using an EH will have an eleven (11) player lineup and this lineup must be used the remainder of the game.

If a team is unable to continue a ten or eleven (10 or 11) player lineup for any reason other than an ejection, the spot will not be marked as an out. If using a 10 or 11 player lineup and a player is ejected, and you do not have a substitute available on the bench to replace that player in the lineup, that spot in the order will be recorded as an out each time up.

The player in the EH position, while not actually playing a defensive position, will be treated as though they are for substitution purposes.

The re-entry rule applies for the EH.

Once a pitcher leaves the mound and goes to the bench, he cannot return to pitch even if he occupies the EH position (EH is not a defensive position).

- Home and away status will be determined by a coin toss prior to the beginning of each game. Higher seed will be home team when elimination play begins. The team who traveled the furthest distance will call the coin toss.
- The home team will be the official scorekeeper for all games. **Scores must be turned into the Tournament Director promptly after the game ends.**
- Outdoor batting cages are available for teams to use on a first come first served basis. Please limit your time to 20 minutes of hitting and be mindful of teams on deck. Warm ups are allowed on the outfield grass and foul territory, no one is allowed on infield dirt prior to game. Please complete your pre-game warm-up in the outfield. Absolutely NO SOFT TOSS into any of the fences on the complex.
- Mercy rule will be in effect:
 - 12 after 3
 - 10 after 4
 - 8 after 5
 - 10U-5 runs max per inning, unlimited runs during last inning (officials will determine last inning)
- Standings will be determined as follows:

- A. Best Record
- B. Head to Head (only applicable if ALL teams involved have played each other)
- C. Fewest runs allowed in all games
- D. Runs scored
- E. Coin toss
- Pool Play will be 7 innings, 90 min time limit, on Saturday and Sunday (weather permitting). Teams will be allowed to finish the inning despite the time limit should the home team be down. Game can end in a tie in pool play.
- Semi Finals will be 7 innings, 105 min time limit, run rule still in effect.
- Championship Games will be 7 innings, no time limit (weather permitting), run rule still in effect.
- The international tie breaking rule will be used for championship play after the 7th inning.
- Forfeits are recorded as a 5-0 score.
- All final brackets and format for playoffs will be determined by the number of teams entered and is subject to change at any time.
- Dugouts are first come first serve. Please remove all trash from dugouts after each game!
- Payment, rosters and proof of insurance (with MAD Baseball & Softball LLC listed as a rider) must be submitted prior to first game. Failure to do so may result in the forfeit of your first scheduled game. Last minute roster changes can be addressed the morning of first game. Completed team rosters and insurance can be returned through email to legacyparkcny@gmail.com.
- A refund will be issued for any request made more than 30 days prior to the start of the event. If a refund is requested a \$125 processing fee will be charged. Any cancellations made before 30 days will result in a tournament credit being issued for 50% of the total paid. Tournament credits are valid for one year. Weather related refunds (credits) as follows: 0 Games played/75% tournament credit. 1 or more games played/no credit
- In the event of inclement weather, we will do everything we possible to make the fields playable, while sticking closely to the original schedule. If we need to change the schedule, we will do our best to try to maintain the original tournament format. The original stated rules may be modified to shorter time limits or fewer innings in order to complete the tournament. All rain out games may not be made up depending on time constraints. In the event or inclement

weather coaches are responsible for calling/texting the TD for field updates at (315) 944-0507.

- Please be advised that Drop Dead format may be used in extreme weather situations.
 - To keep games running on time, please be prompt with getting teams on and off of the field. Please have your teams ready to play early, should the schedule allow for it.
- * Any rules not specified above will be governed by the USA Rule Book

START TIMES: Will be dependent on the number of entered teams. Gates will open an hour before the first game time.

NO individual coolers, team drink coolers will be allowed. No smoking, alcohol, grilling or tailgating allowed. Animals must be on a leash and never left unattended. Please pick up after your pet. Concession stand will be open and operating for all games.