



El Segundo Girls Softball

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Championship Tournament Rules 10/12/14U Divisions

A. Game Information:

1. Game length will be 7 innings. A minimum of four innings is a legal game.
2. No new inning after 1 hr. and 40 minutes for 12 & 14U, no new inning after 1 hr. and 30 minutes for 10U.
3. The Championship game of the tournament shall be 7 innings. No time limit.
4. Game time is forfeit time.
5. Teams must flip coin for home/visitor – Board member or umpire must be present
6. Each team will provide one game ball for each game and receive one ball at the end of the game.

B. General Rules:

7. The “mercy” rule will be in effect. 15 after 3 innings, 8 after 5 innings.
8. There will be no run limit per inning.
9. International Tie Breaker Rule (ITB) will be in effect for all elimination games. Pool play can end in a tie. ITB consists of each team starting the inning with the batter prior to the lead-off batter of the current inning placed on 2nd base.
10. Pitchers may pitch unlimited innings.
11. No more than 9 players will be allowed to play defense at one time.
12. No player rotation required – positions can be fixed
13. Players must play 2 defensive innings based on a 4 or 5 inning game, if more than 5 innings players MUST play 3 defensive innings. Violation of this rule will result in a forfeit.
14. All subs must be entered by the top of the 2nd inning
15. ASA rules apply if not otherwise addressed.

ASA rules emphasized:

16. Dropped-third strike is in effect.
17. Infield Fly rule will be used. Meaning, with less than two outs and runners on 1st & 2nd or with bases loaded, a pop fly that could be easily caught by an infielder does not necessarily result in an automatic out on the batter if the ball is not caught. It is in the judgment of the umpire whether it could easily be caught.
18. Shorthanded rule is in effect

C. Line Up Cards, Substitutions and Field Positions

19. Round Robin batting will be in effect. The DP/Flex rule will not be in effect.
20. A team must bat with at least 9 players in the line up to avoid the “short-handed” rule penalty.
21. Bat-Around Format will be used:
 - a. All batters must bat and run for themselves unless injured. If no substitutes are available when a batter or runner becomes injured and cannot complete their turn at bat or time on the bases, a courtesy player will be allowed to finish the at bat or time as a runner for that half inning only.
 - b. Courtesy Player (For injured player): When all play has stopped, the team member who is scheduled to bat *last* after the injured player, will be the courtesy player. Any batter or base runner that must use a courtesy player *a second time* due to injury will be removed from the game for safety reasons. When the player who has left the game due to injury and misses the next at bat, an out will be declared for that one time only. A player may be used as a courtesy player only once per inning.
 - c. An inning or a game can end with an automatic out.
 - d. An unlimited number of “free” substitutions are allowed at anytime, during a dead ball situation, while on defense, except for pitcher. ASA rules still apply for pitching substitutions.



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Tournament Formats

Single Championship Game: 14U

Double Elimination Bracket: 8U & 10U

Each team will be placed into a double elimination bracket by a blind draw. A team is eliminated after 2 losses. The winner of the Championship Game must defeat the loser twice, if this is the team's first loss. The winner of the Championship Game or If Necessary Game (if required) is declared the Season and Tournament Champion.

Pool Play with Single Elimination Bracket: 12U

Each team will play each other once in pool play. Pool play will then determine the seeding into the tournament single elimination bracket. The winner of the Championship Game is declared the Season and Tournament Champion. There is no IF Game.

Tie Breaker Determination for Pool Play:

A point system will be used to calculate a team record where a win is 2 points and a tie is 1 point. If teams are still tied at the end of pool play then the following format will be used:

- ❖ Head to head record
- ❖ Runs scored
- ❖ Runs allowed
- ❖ Coin toss