



El Segundo Girls Softball

Championship Tournament Rules

8U Division

A. Tournament Format:

1. Round Robin Play (min. 3 games), followed by Single Elimination Bracket
2. Round Robin Results to determine Bracket seeds, as follows:
 - a. Win-Loss Record
 - b. Run Differential
 - c. Runs Against
3. Final game to be played on "Championship Saturday"

B. Game Information:

1. Game length will be 5 innings or no new inning after 1 hr. and 20 minutes, whichever occurs first. There is no Drop Dead Time. Umpire must declare which inning is the LAST.
2. Once an Inning has been started, it must be finished. There is no reverting back to a previous innings score
3. The Championship game of the tournament shall be 5 innings and must be completed in its entirety.
4. Game time is forfeit time.
5. 3 Run Maximum per inning. LAST Inning is an open Inning

C. General Rules:

1. Round Robin Games: Teams must flip coin for home/visitor – Board member or umpire must be present
Elimination Games: Higher Seed is Home Team.
2. ASA rules and ESGS rules apply, if not otherwise addressed.

Rules emphasized:

1. A runner may not steal home on a pitch at any time. Runners may steal when the ball leaves the pitcher's hand.
2. A play at a base during a steal, an attempted pick-off, or an overthrow to the pitcher does not release the runner from third base.
3. Runners on first and second base may steal only one (1) base per pitch.
4. **No** dropped-third strike. The batter is out on a third strike at all times, whether it is caught or dropped.
5. **No** "Infield Fly" rule will be used.

D. Field Positions/Rotation/Substitutions

1. Follow the same rules as Regular Season
 - a. No more than 10 players will be allowed to play defense at one time.
 - b. Two innings Max in one position; All players must play 2 innings in the infield

F. Pitching Rules:

1. Player Pitch only (no coach pitch in playoffs)
2. A Player can pitch a MAXIMUM of 3 innings per game.
 - A. There is no Maximum innings per week Rule
3. Once a Pitcher has been removed, they may not be re-inserted as a Pitcher
4. Hit By Pitch
 - A. If a Player is hit by a Player Pitch at anytime during the game, they are automatically awarded 1st Base. No exceptions.