

SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT RULES

Seeding and Dates

- 1) Head to head is the first tie-breaker used for seeding, followed by runs allowed and then runs scored, if needed.
- 2) The top six seeds in the Varsity division will play in the championship tournament. The bottom two seeds will play in a consolation game the day of the tournament.
- 3) All five seeds in the JV division will play in the championship tournament.
- 4) The Varsity games will be played on Sunday, December 11, 2005 from 4:00pm - 7:00pm.
- 5) The JV games will be played on Saturday, December 10, 2005 from 2:00pm - 5:00pm.

Game Play

- 1) All games will be 4 innings. Each half inning will last 6 minutes.
- 2) All game rules will apply to the tournament games.
- 3) If a game is tied after the fourth inning, it will go into extra innings.

Extra Innings

- 1) There will be one extra inning. Each half inning will last 4 minutes.
- 2) If the game is still tied after the first extra inning, the game will then go into a shoot-out.

Shoot-out Rules:

- 1) The inning will consist of one pitch.
- 2) The inning starts with the bases loaded.
- 3) The batter will get one pitch to walk, strike out or hit.
- 4) If player takes a ball, player walks, and the players team will be rewarded one run. The next team will come to bat.
- 5) If player takes a strike or swings and misses, player strikes out, and the player's team will score no run. The next team will come to bat.
- 6) If player hits a fair ball, all runs will count until an out is recorded. Just like the end of an inning during the regular season.
- 7) If player fouls off the pitch, player is out. The next team will come to bat.
- 8) If game is still tied after first shoot-out, the shoot-out will continue until one team wins.
- 9) Teams will continue to bat through roster, like they are still playing in a regular game. For example: Say the lead-off batter is up to bat, then the number 9 batter should be on third, number 8 batter on second and number seven batter on first.

Sportsmanship

- 1) Coaches and players will conduct themselves in a mannerly fashion.
- 2) There will be no arguing over balls and strikes or any other umpires call. The umpire has the right to eject the coach or player from the game. If you are ejected, you must come off the field of play. In some cases, player or coach will be asked to leave the building.
- 3) No coach is allowed to come onto the field of play during the course of an inning, unless there is an injury.
- 4) If there is a question about a call, do not interrupt the game, this takes away time from each teams inning.