



## **Junior Olympic Girls Fast Pitch Kickoff Tournament**

### **Tournament Rules and General Information**

1. This tournament complies with USA Softball Rules with the following adjustments.
2. Bats must be USA approved; umpire will check equipment.
3. Umpires decisions are final. No protests.
4. The home team will keep the official book. The opposing team is encouraged to also score keep.
5. Time limits (in effect for all games):
  - a. Pool Play games
    - i. 1 hour and 10 minutes.
    - ii. A new inning will not begin if 1 hour and 5 minutes have passed in the game time.
    - iii. Innings will be finished once they begin. Pool play games will end in tie, if necessary.
  - b. Bracket games
    - i. 1 hour and 5 minutes for 10U.
      1. A new inning will not begin if 1 hour has passed in game time.
    - ii. 1 hour and 10 minutes for 12U-16U.
      1. A new inning will not begin if 1 hour and 5 minutes have passed in game time.
6. Run Rule: 12 after 3, 10 after 4, and 8 after 5. (Championship games included)
  - a. 10 U will limit 5 runs per inning but can score up to 8 on a hit if bases are occupied.
7. Home team will be determined with coin flip in pool play games. The team listed in the "Home" section of the scheduling software will be the home team for bracket games.
8. A reserve may courtesy run for the pitcher or catcher. If there is no reserve, the last out or person to cross home plate may run for the pitcher or catcher.
9. Temporary fences will be utilized on fields at tournament director's discretion. These fences will be distanced at approximately 215'. For the other fields, a 215' painted line will be in the outfield. In the case that a hit ball rolls past this line, the hit will be treated as a ground rule double. If the ball is hit past this line through the air, it will be considered a homerun. The temporary fence will be treated as the field parameter.
10. Tie breaker procedure for pool play: 1) Winning percentage, 2) Head to head, 3) Head-T-Head Differential, 4) Total Runs For, 5) Total Runs Against 6) Coin Flip.

11. Teams may bat their entire lineup both days.
12. No refunds will be given outside of weather exception. Cancellation of games due to weather will be refunded at \$50 per un-played game. There is no make-up date available for this tournament.
13. Teams must carry their own first aid kit in the dugout.
14. Teams must clean up their dugout after each game.
15. Team rosters are due to the Tournament Director before you play your first game.
16. Game balls are provided.
17. Any coach, player, or spectator ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike behavior will be ejected from the remainder of the tournament.