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## COMPETITION RULES \& FORMAT

USA Softball rules apply with the following tournament format/rules...

- Pool play followed by single-elimination brackets. All pool and bracket games, including championship games: 70-minute, finish the inning. Pool play games can end in a tie.
- Run rule: 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.
- Bracket seeding is based on: win/loss record, head-to-head play, run differential, runs allowed, runs scored and coin flip if needed.
- Batting Order Rules: Teams in all divisions may bat all players in pool play. 8U and 10U may bat all players in bracket play as well. 12 U and older divisions are limited to 10 or 9 batters in bracket games.
- All teams must provide the umpires with a USA-approved ball (Yellow optic cover red stitch 375 lbs Max . 44 COR.) prior to the start of each game. A 12" (Yellow optic cover red stitch 375 lbs Max .44 COR.) ball will be used in $12 \mathrm{u}, 14 \mathrm{u}, 16 \mathrm{u} \& 18 \mathrm{u}$ divisions. An 11" (Yellow optic cover red stitch 375 lbs .44 COR.) ball will be used in the 10u divisions. An 11"RIF (Optic Yellow) ball will be used in the $8 u$ division.
- Umpires are registered with USA softball. Umpire decisions are final and no protests will be allowed.
- There will be minimal warm-up time between games. Teams please be ready to play 30 minutes prior to your listed game time so we can run early if games end early.

