

2013 May Madness

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OF SOFTBALL**



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Tournament Rules and Information

ASA Sanctioned: All Games Will Be Played Under ASA Rules Unless Otherwise Noted

Game Length

7 Innings or 1 Hour 15 Minutes (Whichever Comes First)

Pool Play Will Play Under A *Drop Dead* Time Limit Format

- 10U Will Have A Maximum of Seven (7) Runs Per Inning In Pool Play

Bracket Play Will Play Under A *Finish The Inning* Format

Run Rules

15 Runs After 3 Innings of Play

10 Runs After 4 Innings of Play

8 Runs After 5 Innings of Play

Game

- Each Team Must Provide One (1) Ball Per Game
 - 10U: 11" .44 or .47 COR SOFTBALL Optic Yellow/Red Stitching
 - 12U+: 12" .44 or .47 COR SOFTBALL Optic Yellow/Red Stitching
- Home Plate Umpire is the Official Clock
- Home Team is Determined By:
 - Coin Flip in Pool Play and Championship Games
 - Better Seed in Bracket Play
- Home Team is Official Book
 - Please Confer With The Official Bookkeeper After Each Inning to Ensure Accuracy
- Please Be Prepared To Start *At Least* 30 Minutes Before Scheduled Game Time
- Due to Inclement Weather, Or Other Acts of God, a Complete Game is:
 - 4 innings (or 3 ½ if the Home Team is Ahead)
- MAA Score Cards Will Be Utilized For All Games and **MUST** Be Signed After Each Game
- Tie-Breaker System: Outside the Championship Game, If A Bracket Game is Tied After All Innings Have Been Completed, or the Time Limit Has Been Reached, the Millard Athletic Association Tie-Breaker Rule Will Go Into Effect. Each Team Puts the Batter Who's Scheduled to Bat Last in the Inning on Second Base and Plays a Full Inning of Regular Softball. This Happens Until the Tie is Broken and the Game is Complete. Pool Play Games May End In A Tie.



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Appeals

- Appeals are on Rule Interpretations and/or Violations **ONLY**.
- Rule Appeal May be Protested to the Tournament Director for a \$100 Fee and Rule Must be Presented in Writing.
- Maximum Time of Appeal Argument is 10 minutes.
- Tournament Director(s) Will Have Final Say on Any Tournament Related Matters.

Warm-Ups

Please Conduct Warm-Ups Prior to Game Time and Please Be Prepared To Start *At Least* 30 Minutes Before Scheduled Game Time.

- There Will Be No Pre-Game Infield Practice Allowed.

Line-Up Options

- Teams Will Have the Following Line-Up Options:
 - Option 1: Nine (9) Player Line-Up
 - Option 2: Ten (10) Player Line-Up Utilizing an Extra Hitter (EH)
 - Option 3: Line-Up of all Present, Eligible, Uniformed Players (Bat the Roster)
- Notes for Options 1 and 2:
 - All Players May Be Removed and Re-Entered the Game Once, but **MUST** Re-Enter in Their Original Position in The Batting Order.
 - Courtesy Runners:
 - Must Be a Player Not Presently in the Line-Up.
 - **The SAME Courtesy Runner MAY NOT Run for Both the Pitcher and Catcher in the Same Inning.**
- Notes for Option 3:
 - If a Team Uses a “Bat the Roster” Option, All Players Other Than the Nine (9) Defensive Position Players are EH’s and May Move Freely in Defensive Positions.
 - Any Player Arriving **AFTER** the Game has Begun Shall Be Added to the Bottom of The Batting Order.
 - Courtesy Runners:
 - The Player Making the Last **BATTED** Out.
 - Should the Last **BATTED** Out Be the Pitcher/Catcher of Record, the Subsequent **BATTED** Out May Be Utilized.
 - **The SAME Courtesy Runner MAY NOT Run for Both the Pitcher and Catcher in the Same Inning.**
- If At Any Point a Team Falls Below The Number of Players Their Line-Up Started With, Those Vacant Spots Will Be Considered Automatic Outs.

Ejections

- Tournament Director(s) will Handle Ejections on a Case by Case Basis.
- Penalties are at the Sole Discretion of the Tournament Director(s).



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Refunds

- Cancellation by Teams After April 26, 2013 Results in NO Refund.
 - All Refund Requests Must be Made in Writing
 - A \$100 Administrative Fee May Be Withheld on All Refunds
- “No Shows” or Forfeits Results in NO Refund.
 - No Games Played Due to Inclement Weather - 75% Refund
 - One Game Played Due to Inclement Weather - 50% Refund
 - Two Games Played Due to Inclement Weather - 25% Refund
 - More than Two Played - No Refund

Tournament Play

- Each Team Will Play Three (3) Pool Play Games
- After Pool Play, Teams will be Seeded and Placed into Bracket(s) and/or Consolation Game(s).
- Note: The Format of the Tournament May Change if Necessary

Seeding Procedure

1. Win / Loss Record
2. Winner of Head to Head (If Three Or More Teams Are Tied, Ignore)
3. Least Runs Allowed
4. Highest Run Differential (Max +/- 8 Per Game)
5. Coin Flip

Awards

- Team Awards Will Be Given to Teams Finishing 1st and 2nd.

Concessions, Gate Fees and Tournament T-Shirts

- Full Concessions and **LIMITED** Tournament Shirts will be Available at the Dill Sports Complex Throughout the Tournament.
- Please Consider Pre-Ordering Your Tournament Shirts to Ensure We Have Your Size Available.
- A Gate Fee Will Be Collected Upon Entrance to the Facility
 - Children Under 10 FREE
 - Children 10 to 16
 - \$1 – Friday
 - \$3 – Saturday / Sunday
 - Adults
 - \$2 – Friday
 - \$4 – Saturday / Sunday

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