



## **SoCal 1904 Fastpitch**

### **Fall 2023 Game Rules / Manager Contacts / Field Locations**

#### **[SoCal 1904 Score Submission Form](#)**

#### **Season Schedule:**

The SoCal 1904 Fastpitch season schedule is maintained and accessible via Tourney Machine at: <https://sxa56.app.goo.gl/fasw1ttYEJgD7EiD8>

#### **All Fields Rules:**

- No alcoholic beverages
- No smoking
- No drugs or illegal substances
- All trash must be picked up before vacating the dugout
- Pets must be leashed at all times; some fields have strict no pet policy

#### **General Rules:**

- Participation is limited to registered USA Softball Rec B and C leagues.
- All players must be fully registered in USA Softball's system prior to the season.
- Coaches must be registered with USA Softball and with current background checks and required training(s).
- Current USA Softball fastpitch [softball rules](#) will be in effect unless otherwise stated herein.
- Game ball specifications:
  - 8U: 10-inch ball (RIF 1)
  - 10U: 11-inch ball (Dream Seam or RIF-10)
  - 12U: 12-inch ball (Dream Seam)
  - 14U: 12-inch ball (Dream Seam)
  - Home team provides game ball; visitor provide backup (swap for doubleheader)
- Pitching distances:
  - Division 8U: 30 feet
  - Division 10U: 35 feet
  - Division 12U: 40 feet
  - Division 14U: 43 feet
- Bases: Will be 60 feet for all divisions.
- Umpires: Host team is responsible for scheduling the field AND umpire. Umpire payment should be made in cash during the pre-game meeting. Home team pays the umpire for each game (teams swap home/away during a doubleheader).

### **Regular Season Game Rules:**

- Official Scorekeeper: Home team will be the official scorekeeper. Teams should swap home/away; one game each per double header. Home team is responsible for reporting scores.
- Forfeit Time: Game time is forfeit time. Any team not ready to play at the scheduled game time shall forfeit the game (7-0 score), with the exception of field logistics.
- Time Limit:
  - **All games:** 1 hour 20 minutes No New Inning
  - There will be no drop-dead time.
  - Any time after the no-new inning time, the game ends if either team is ahead by:
    - 7 or more runs for 12U/14U
    - 6 or more runs for 10U
    - 5 or more runs for 8u
    - If the home team is batting and is ahead by 1 run or more.
    - The score at the time the game ends will stand.
    - Games may end in a tie.
- Inning Limits for All Games:
  - 8U/10U: 6 innings
  - 12U/14U: 7 innings
  - No open innings in regular season play
- Inning Run Limits:
  - 8U: 4 runs per inning
  - 10U: 5 runs per inning
  - 12U/14U: 6 runs per inning
- Mercy Rule: In effect per USA Softball rules in all games (15 runs after 3 innings, 12 runs after 4 innings or 8 runs after 5 innings).
- Batting Line-Ups: Teams (10U, 12U, and 14U) have the option of utilizing bat-around (everyone bats) or follow USA Softball rules (bat nine, or use DP/ FLEX and/or EP).
- Modified Rules for 8u Only:
  - a. Must bat-around (everyone bats)
  - b. Play 10 in the field (optional)
  - c. No Infield Fly Rule
  - d. No Hot Plate/Dropped Third Strike Rule
  - e. Only 1 stolen base per base runner per pitched ball
  - f. Players cannot steal home

- There are no protests and the umpire has the final say. The umpire may consult with the tournament director.
- The umpire provides the official record of the game. Make sure to confirm the score at the end of each game. Game scores are to be turned in immediately after the game using the online score submission form.  
[SoCal 1904 Score Submission Form](#)

### **Playoff Rules:**

- Seeding for playoffs: Will be based on weighted season results. Seeding will be determined 1 to N for each division by
  - Win Percentage
  - Head to Head
  - Least Runs Allowed
  - Most Runs Scored
  - Coin Toss
- Home team will be determined by the highest-seeded team. If two teams have the same seed, home team will be determined by coin toss.
- Third-Base Dugout:
  - The highest-seeded team will occupy the third base dugout.
  - Only exception is teams playing back-to-back games.
- Time Limit:
  - **Playoffs** (except Championship Games), no new inning after 1 hour 20 minutes.
  - There will be no drop-dead time.
  - Any time after the no-new inning time, the game ends if either team is ahead by:
    - 7 or more runs for 12U/14U
    - 6 or more runs for 10U
    - 5 or more runs for 8u
    - If the home team is batting and is ahead by 1 run or more.
    - The score at the time the game ends will stand.
    - Playoff games may not end in a tie.
- Inning Run Limits:
  - 8U: 4 runs per inning
  - 10U: 5 runs per inning
  - 12U/14U: 6 runs per inning
- Inning Limits for All Games: 6 innings for 8U/10U, and 7 innings for 12U/14U, except in the case of a tiebreaking inning in **Playoff Play**, or the last regulation inning and tiebreaker innings in **Championship Games**.

- No Time Limit in Championship Games: Championship Games will be 6 innings for 8U/10U and 7 innings for 12U/14U.
- Open Innings in International Tiebreaker (ITB) Innings and Championship Games Only: The last regulation inning of Championship Games and any extra tiebreaking innings in Playoff Play or Championship Games will be open with no run limits.
- Championship Game Ties: Championship Games cannot end in a tie. The International Tiebreaker Rule will go into effect after regulation innings.
- Playoff Game Ties: Playoff games cannot end in a tie. The International Tiebreaker Rule will go into effect for all new innings started after 1 hour 20 minute limit.
- The International Tiebreaker (ITB) Rule shall be in effect if the game is tied after regulation. ITB innings will be played in their entirety and are all open (no run rule). At the top of the next inning, when the visiting team is up to bat, and each half inning after that, the team on offense will start the inning with a runner on second base. This runner is the batter who is scheduled to bat last in that particular inning. For example, if the No. 2 batter leads off the inning, the No. 1 batter will serve as the runner on second base. It is not always the player who made the last out since that could have been a base-runner.
- Official Scorekeeper: Home team will be the official scorekeeper. The official scorekeeper shall be a representative of the home team who is not a manager or coach and will keep the score outside of the fenced field area and will be near the umpire on the opposite side of the fence. The official scorekeeper is not to make mention of any player batting out of order unless the umpire requests the information. Line-up sheets must be handed to the official scorekeeper at least **10 minutes prior to game time.**
- Team rosters only; no pick up players
- Social 1904 will provide the following for playoff games:
  - Game balls
  - Fields with umpires
  - Champion and finalist rings

**Conduct Rules:**

- No unsportsmanlike play, comments, or conduct between managers, coaches, players, and/or families on the same or opposing teams will be permitted and is grounds for IMMEDIATE removal of that individual(s) from the field of play, dugout, bleacher, and/or surrounding fence area of that playing field.
- Any second negative action, as stated above, will result in a forfeit of one or both teams, at the discretion of the game umpire or the home field UIC (or his/her designated agent).
- Any violation of the conduct rules by a parent or fan will result in the IMMEDIATE removal of the team's manager at the discretion of the game umpire or the home field UIC (or his/her designated agent).
- No loud (audibly abusive to the average person) artificial noise-making devices (any instrument or combination of materials that are not part of the human body) on or near any playing field. This will be at the judgment of the umpire and includes, but is not limited to:
  - a. Negative or discouraging words
  - b. Air horns and plastic trumpets
  - c. Cans filled with rocks, coins, or other objects
  - d. Foot stomping on bleachers
  - e. Fence shaking
  - f. Thundersticks

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## **1904 Field Locations:**

### **Alpine**

1830 Alpine Boulevard

Alpine, CA 91901

### **Chula Vista Community Park**

1060 Eastlake Parkway

Chula Vista, CA 91915

### **Clairemont**

3452 Mount Acadia Blvd

San Diego, CA 92111

### **Discovery Park**

700 Buena Vista Way

Chula Vista, CA 91910

### **East County Cactus Park Fields**

10610 Ashwood St

Lakeside, CA 92040

### **East County Melody Fields**

1570 Melody Lane

El Cajon, CA 92019

### **Hillsdale - Rancho**

1301 Brabham St

El Cajon, CA 92019

**Imperial Beach**

425 Imperial Beach Blvd  
Imperial Beach, CA 91932

**Las Palmas**

1810 East 22nd Street  
National City, CA 91950

**Navajo Lake Murray**

7001 Murray Park Drive  
San Diego, CA 92119

**Robb Field - Peninsula**

2525 Bacon St  
San Diego, CA 92107

**PQ Canyonside Community Park**

12350 Black Mountain Road  
San Diego, CA 92129

**Santee Softball Fields**

9545 Cuyamaca Street  
Santee, CA 92071

**Twin Hills Fields**

3001 Calle Abajo  
San Diego, CA 92139

**UC Del Sol Stanley Middle**

6298 Radcliffe Dr  
San Diego, CA 92122