



2021 Prior Lake Tournament Information

ALL TEAMS MUST SUBMIT A ROSTER AT CHECK IN. TEAMS WITHOUT THE ROSTER WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE FIELDS UNTIL THE ROSTER IS SIGNED.

GENERAL RULES:

1. This tournament is USA SOFTBALL, NAFA & ASA sanctioned for all age groups. USA Softball rules apply unless noted otherwise.
2. All teams must check in with completed rosters and turn in their (2) dudley game balls at the tournament pavilion 1 hour prior to your first game time.
3. Teams must submit an approved and signed JO-Softball roster when coaches check in. Any players "picked up" must be from within the association. Any picked up players must be from the same level of competition as the team or lower. (I.e. A "B" team can pick up another "B" player or a "C" player but not an "A" player.
4. ALL teams are responsible for removing ALL trash from bench areas after each game.
5. All protests will be settled on the field. **Umpire decisions are final.** No appeals will be allowed to the Tournament Director.
6. The Tournament Director reserves the right to shorten the games in the event of bad weather. All parties will be duly notified.

Tournament Play Rules:

7. There will be 3 pool games on Saturday & single elimination bracket play on Sunday.
8. For all games, a coin flip at the beginning of the game will determine the home team.
9. Pool games will be seven innings long with a 65-minute time limit. No new inning will start after 65 minutes. All bracket games including Championship Games will be seven innings long with a 70-minute time limit. No new inning will start after 70 minutes.
10. Innings will be finished – no drop-dead time. Pool play games can end in a tie. For bracket play: international tie-breaker rule will be invoked if game is tied after regulation innings or if time limit has been reached.
11. All 10U & 12U bat the roster.
12. There are unlimited substitutions of players on defense at 10U & 12U.
13. Courtesy runners for pitchers and catchers – last out or last available batter if the last out is a pitcher or catcher.
14. If a team is batting the entire roster and an injury occurs, when the player's turn to bat comes up, skip the batter and move on to the next batter – **NO OUT IS CHARGED.**



15. Any team not on the field and ready to play within 5 minutes of their scheduled start time will forfeit the game, unless delay results from previous game delay. All teams should be ready up to 30 minutes prior to game start.
16. Run rule: 15 runs after 3 innings; 10 runs after 5 innings. 5 runs per inning for 10U & 12U*
******12U GOLD BRACKET PLAY – UNLIMITED RUNS PER INNING.******
17. Tournament Brackets: The criteria for placement of teams in brackets following pool play in order of priority are: Win / Loss / Tie record, head to head competition, fewest runs allowed in combined pool play, most earned runs in pool play combined, and finally coin toss.
18. Berths to NAFA Nationals – see each age group for specifics.

12U Rules

All games will have a 5 run per half inning max in pool play. Gold bracket play will be no run limit.

10U Rules

A maximum of 5 runs per half inning max is imposed on all 10U games.

Player & Spectator Rules:

Heckling of the umpires will not be allowed. The Coach of the team whose fans violate this rule will be warned once. If the heckling continues, fans will be asked to leave the facilities. Fans not complying within two minutes will cause the forfeiture of the game to the opposing team. Coaches – please make sure your fans know of this rule prior to the tournament.