



2026 Cubby's Sports Bar and Grill Classic
Brookings, SD
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13U and 14U Division Rules

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Tournament Information and Rules

- Games will be played at Bob Shelden Field next to Brookings High School, Erv Huether Field on the South Dakota State University campus, Mickelson Middle School located of on 12th Street South in Brookings and Hoff Field in Volga.
- **Molded cleats and turf shoes are only allowed on Erv Huether Field.** Molded cleats are preferred at Bob Shelden and Hoff Field, but not required. Mickelson Middle School is dirt and natural grass. Teams may be fined for violation of the Erv Huether rule.
- **No sunflower seeds** allowed in the dugouts or stands at **Erv Huether Field** and **Bob Shelden**, *even if the individual is using a cup.*
- Bob Shelden Field, the South Dakota State University campus and Mickelson Middle School are tobacco free areas. No tobacco products of any kind anywhere in the facility and campus.
- **14U Eligibility:** Players cannot turn 15 prior to January 1st, 2026, or must have just completed their 8th grade year of school for the 14U division. **13U Eligibility:** Players cannot turn 14 prior to January 1, 2026, or must have just completed their 7th grade year of school.

- **Game Length**
 - All games are scheduled for six (6) innings for 13U and seven (7) innings for 14U.
 - An 8-run rule is in effect after five innings
 - A 12-run rule is in effect after four innings
 - A 15-run rule is in effect after three innings

- **Time Limit (Friday & Saturday):** No new regulation inning may begin after 2 hours, 20 minutes. The time limit is in effect when the inning ends, therefore if the inning is over at 2 hours, 19 minutes, a new inning will begin.
 - The field umpire will be responsible for the time limit. He/she may consult with the home plate umpire.
 - Games that are tied and reach the time limit will utilize the California Rule to determine a winner (see below) in all pool games and consolation bracket games.

- **Friday/Saturday:** The California Rule will be utilized until a winner has been determined.
 - The last batter to complete their at-bat will be placed at second base and the team will begin with an out.
 - Sunday's championship bracket games will not utilize the California Rule until the **8th inning for 13U** and **9th inning for 14U**. All other games on Sunday will use the tiebreaker after regulation innings are completed

- Each team will be allowed pre-game infield/outfield prior to their first game of each day, time permitting and if both coaches agree. Both teams must have equal time.
 - Batting cages are available at both Bob Shelden, Hoff Field and Erv Huether.

- **Rules** - American Legion rules will be utilized unless noted
 - Games will be played on 90' bases with a 60' mound

 - USA, USSSA and BBCOR bats will be allowed
 - Any illegal bat will be removed from the game and the batter will be declared out.
 - Appropriate appeal rules must be followed in order for an out to be declared
 - There are no drop restrictions for USA or USSA Bats

 - A team may use either an EH or a DH but not both
 - The NFHS DH rule will be utilized
 - A DH is allowed for any position player
 - If using an EH, that player may not enter the field defensively

 - NFHS re-entry rules will be used
 - Starters may re-enter the game one time in their original batting position

- Courtesy runners for pitcher and catcher are allowed
 - Must be a player who has not entered the game
 - Must be a different runner for each position

- The NFHS slide rule is in effect

- A team may choose to “roster bat”
 - Teams who roster bat will be allowed to free-sub as they need, except the pitcher
 - If a team roster bats and a player is injured, that spot in the order will be recorded as an out for the remainder of the game

- The following pitching rules are in place:
 - A pitcher may throw up to seven innings for the tournament
 - One Out = $\frac{1}{3}$ Inning
 - Game Changer will be used to verify innings, but coaches may need to provide other documentation if challenged
 - If a pitcher throws more than allowed innings, the offending team will forfeit that game and the head coach will be ejected from the remainder of the tournament.

- It is recommended, not required, that the American Legion pitch count rules are followed by each participating team.
 - 1-30 Pitches = Zero Days Rest
 - 31-45 Pitches = One Day Rest
 - 46-60 Pitches = Two Days Rest
 - 61-80 Pitches = Three Days Rest
 - 81-105 Pitches = Four Days Rest

- Balks will be called
 - A warning will not be issued
 - American Legion balk rules are utilized

Tiebreaker Format:

- Win-Loss Record
- Head-to-Head
- Fewest Runs Allowed
- Runs Scored
- Run Differential
- Coin flip

Bracket Seedings

- Teams will be seeded in each pool 1 through 4. Teams will then be placed in the bracket accordingly.
- The wild card team in the championship bracket will be the No. 4 or No. 3 seed and will not play the other team from its pool in the semifinals. Order of semifinal games may be adjusted based on seeding.
- Consolation brackets will avoid having teams from the same pool play each other in the first bracket game if possible, but not guaranteed.
- Teams from another pool will not jump or be placed ahead of a team that holds a spot in the bracket regardless of records and tiebreakers.

Additional Information

- Home and Away will be pre-determined on the schedule. The home team will be listed second on the schedule.
 - The home team will occupy the first base dugout unless the opponent is participating in the previous game.
 - Home team will be the higher seeded team in all bracket formats.
 - Home team is responsible for keeping official book
- Games may start early if both teams are ready and agree to an earlier start time. Umpires will not determine an earlier start time.
- Coaches are responsible for personal, player and fan behavior
- Unsportsmanlike behavior is subject to ejection from the game/tournament at the umpire's discretion
 - If a player/coach is ejected, they must sit out the following game or are subject to their own organization's rules
 - If a parent is ejected, they are to vacate the park for the remainder of the tournament
 - If a parent is ejected, the head coach of that team is ejected for that game as well. If it is only the parent that is ejected the coach may coach in the next game.
- No protests are allowed

Tournament Admission Prices

- Adult
 - Tournament Pass - \$20
 - Daily - \$8
- High School/Middle School
 - Tournament Pass - \$10
 - Daily \$4
- Veterans and Elementary kids and younger
 - Free

Tournament Refund Policy

- Zero Games Played - \$350 Refund
- One Game Played - \$250 Refund
- Two or More Games Played - No Refund
- Gate Fee Will Not Be Refunded