

Plover Fastpitch

Rules & Regulations - 14U/16U/18U

6/12/23

1. Governing Body - NAFA
2. Bats must conform to the latest NCAA approved bat list.
3. Pitchers must start back vs. step back per NAFA rules. No step back allowed.
4. Intentional Walks: pitcher must throw 4 pitches to the catcher, not overhand, legitimate pitches(catcher does not need to be in the squat position)
5. Age limit: no player may turn 15(14U), 17(16U), 19(18U) years of age before January 1.
6. Roster: No additions to team roster after 1st game
7. Lineups: Due to Umpires, Scorekeepers AND announcers - complete with number, first and last names.
8. Batting order: 1) You may bat the entire roster and substitute freely in pool play. (normal reentry and batting order rules apply) or 2) NAFA DP/FLEX/Extra player rules. Must adhere to NAFA DP/FLEX/Extra player rules for bracket play.
9. Courtesy runners: Allowed for pitcher and/or catcher at any time - Rule 8, Section 10
10. Home Team: Coin Flip in pool play. Higher seed will be home in bracket games.
11. On Deck: Always on back side of batter
12. Game Length 75 minutes. New inning starts as soon as the last out of the previous inning. NO time limit on Championship Game(s), 7 innings.
13. Pace of Play: 5 pitches 1st inning, 3 pitches the following innings (unless new pitcher) NO INFIELD after 1st inning.
14. Official Scorer: Home team is the official Scorekeeper.
15. Pitching Limit: None
16. Pool Play games will end in a tie if time has expired
17. Pitching distance: 43 feet
18. Run Rule: 12 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 innings, 8 after 5 innings. Including championship
19. Tie Breakers in bracket play only: International tie break rules apply (last out placed on 2nd, with no outs)
20. Dropped 3rd strike: In effect
21. Infield Fly: in effect
22. Helmets, facemask: NOCSAE certified are required.
23. Dugout: The team listed on the top of the bracket will have the first base dugout and is responsible for running the scoreboard.
24. Umpire decisions are final
25. Metal Spikes allowed
26. Tournament director reserves the right to invoke the Inclement Weather Rules at any time.
27. NO CHANTING
28. Harassment by a team member, coach or fans toward the opposing team, umpire or official will not be tolerated. This type of activity can lead to ejections, forfeitures and removal of individuals or teams from the tournament, without warning, by tournament officials or an umpire.
29. Tie breakers 1. Head to head 2. Runs allowed 3. Run differential