

Drafts Sports Bar Spring Classic Softball Tournament Rules

Tournament Director is **Les Swenson** contact info 218-289-5619 Head official is **Scott Butts**.

- Forfeit time will be 15 minutes after the scheduled starting time of the first tournament game of the day. NO grace period will be extended for other games unless one is playing a previous round game. Be at your assigned field 30 minutes before the scheduled time. If the tournament is running behind, it **is each team's** responsibility to be at the field when their game is ready to start. If the tournament is ahead of schedule, it would be nice to get games started early whenever possible. If a team forfeits a tournament game, they may be dropped from the tournament. **No money will be refunded.**
- **Games will start 15 minutes after the completion of the prior game, or as soon as both teams are available.**
- **Ten run** rule after 5 innings, **15 run rule** after 3 innings.
- There will be a maximum **time limit of 90 minutes** from the coin toss, at 90 minutes the inning will be finished and the team with the most runs wins.
- **3 Balls= a walk, 2 strikes = a strikeout. No courtesy foul:** The 2nd strike must be hit fair. If it's fouled off, batter is **out** and the **ball is dead.**
- **No steel spikes. Only** bats that are **ASA approved** will be allowed.
- Teams may play with **8** players. If a team plays with 8, they **must take an automatic out** whenever the 9th player would bat. There is **no penalty** for playing with 10. Players 9 & 10 may enter the games as soon as they are available.
- **Batting order** must be followed if a person is skipped he is out, second offense and he can't re-enter the game.
- A **courtesy runner** will be allowed once an inning for both male and female games. Anyone on the roster hitting can run, however if the runner is on base when their at bat comes up it's an automatic out. If a person needs to have a courtesy runner due to injury, that person will **not be allowed to re-enter that game.**
- **No drinking on the field or designated dugout area, as well as no smoking in the same area. THERE IS NO GLASS ALLOWED ON THE COMPLEX!**
- **Homerun rule** - teams may hit **2** homeruns per game, a team and purchase an **additional homerun for 10 each.** They will be given a chip to hand to the Official at the coin flip before the start of the game, **a max of 3 chips per game can be used,** each chip is worth one extra homerun and once it is surrender you cannot get it back.
- The uses of **Profanity** will be penalized by **OUTS** being declared against the offending team, at the discretion of the **OFFICIALS.** If the offending team is at bat, the player is out unless the result of the play is an out in which case the **next batter is out.** If the offending team is in the field, the first player(s) to bat in their half of the inning **WILL BE OUT.** It is possible for a team to bat with one or more outs already recorded or lose their at bat altogether.
- **Any player ejected for fighting,** will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament. **Any player who assaults an UMPIRE or tournament official will be suspended from playing at the Crookston Complex permanently.**
- Tournament organizers and sponsors will **not** be liable for injuries.
- A player must be **16 years of age** to play
- Any ejected player from a game will be banded for the rest of the tournament.
- Any team wishing to appeal a decision by the field official will be require to pay a 50 dollar fee on the spot to have said call reviewed by the Head Official and anyone he deems necessary to help with the decision (no video will be allowed or used in the decision). If he is not available the Tournament Director may make the decision in his absence.
- Tournament sponsors and officials reserve the right to make exceptions to existing rules, or add special playing rules, under extreme circumstances. Special rules may include, but are not limited to:
 1. 5 inning games / 10 run rule after 3 innings
 2. 2 balls / 1 strike
 3. Time limit for games
 4. 2 outs per inning
 5. Other rules as needed

Reminder: Please clean up after yourself when you leave the dugout area.

And remember there are children present please act accordingly.

Thank you