## Baseball Tournament Rules Summary

Website: clubs.bluesombrero.com/district11njll

| 2024 | 8-10 | 9-11 | LL (10-12) | 50/70 (11-13) | Jr (12-14) | Sr (12-16) |
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| Eligibility (Age) Birthdate | Sep 1, 2013 Aug 31, 2016 | Sep 1, 2012 Aug 31, 2015 | Sep 1, 2011 Aug 31, 2014 | Sep 1, 2010 Aug 31, 2013 | Sep 1, 2009 Aug 31, 2012 | Sep 1, 2007 Aug 31, 2012 |
| Basepath size | 60 feet |  |  | 70 feet | 90 feet |  |
| Fields Neutral | All fields are neutral, coin toss to determine home team |  |  |  |  |  |
| Roster size | Minimum of 12, Maximum of 14 players (16 Seniors), 1 manager and 2 coaches |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coaches in dugout/field | 3 Adults are allowed. Must have 1 adult in dugout at all times |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mandatory Play batting | Continuous batting order including all players present at start of game |  |  |  |  | N/A |
| Mandatory Play injuries | Skip over players injured, ill, or leaving the game, without penalty |  |  |  |  | N/A |
| baserunning | If batter reaches base, they must also run bases until out or inning ends |  |  |  |  | Special Pinch |
| Courtesy runner | allowed for pitcher/catcher with 2 outs (last batted out) |  |  |  |  | Runner Rule |
| Substitutions - defensive | Players may be entered or re-entered defensively in the game at any time; remaining in the same spot in the batting order for the entire game |  |  |  |  | starters only may re-enter |
| Player re-entry limits | No limit on re-entry except pitchers returning as pitchers (see below.) |  |  |  |  | Once/ game |
| Curfew | No new inning may start after Midnight |  |  | 12:30 AM |  | 1:00 AM |
| Helmets | 6 NOCSAE Helmets required |  |  | 7 NOCSAE Helmets required |  |  |
| Bats - Dimensions | Max. length 33"; max diameter 2 5/8" |  |  | 34" x 2 5/8 |  | 36" x 2 5/8 |
| Bats - Non-Wood | USAbat Standard logo required |  |  | USAbat logo or BBCOR |  | BBCOR |
| Catchers Helmet | Dangling throat guard required and NOCSAE Helmet covering both ears |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cleats - Metal | Metal Cleats NOT Allowed |  |  | Metal cleats allowed |  |  |
| On Deck Batter | Not Allowed - during or between innings |  |  | Allowed |  |  |
| Head First Slides | Not Allowed when advancing - player is out |  |  | Allowed |  |  |
| Pitching Regulations |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pitches - Max / Day | 75 (50 8yr old) 85 pitches (75 if 10 yr old) |  |  | 95 pitches (85 if 12 yr old) |  |  |
| Days Rest Threshold | Observe days rest for threshold reached during at-bat, provided pitcher is removed before delivering a pitch to another batter |  |  |  |  |  |
| League Age | Players League Age 14 and below (except Senior) |  |  |  |  | SENIOR |
| Rest 4 days | If 66 or more pitches thrown |  |  |  |  | $>75$ pitches |
| Rest 3 days | If 51-65 or more pitches thrown |  |  |  |  | 61 to 75 |
| Rest 2 days | If 36-50 or more pitches thrown |  |  |  |  | 46 to 60 |
| Rest 1 day | If 21 to 35 pitches thrown |  |  |  |  | 31 to 45 |
| No Rest Required | If less than 21 pitches thrown |  |  |  |  | < 31 pitches |
| Pitching rest games | May pitch in only one game per day |  |  |  | 2 games / day |  |
| Returning to mound | May not return once removed from mound |  |  | remaining in game may return once/game |  |  |
| Catching NO Pitcher | Playing Catcher for 4 or more innings - may not pitch for remainder of day |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pitching NO catcher | Throwing 41 or more pitches may not play catcher for remainder of day. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Designated Hitter | Not Allowed - Rule 3.03 |  |  |  |  | Allowed |
| Protests | Playing rules protest - before the next pitch or play. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Offensive conference | Only one conference per inning with any player |  |  |  |  |  |
| Defensive conference | 3/4th visit ${ }^{\text {2nd }}$ visit in inning or 3rd in game and pitcher must be removed |  |  |  |  |  |
| Regulation Game | 6 innings / 4 shortened |  |  | 7 innings / 5 shortened |  |  |
| Tie Breaker rule | Begins in 8th inning |  |  | Begins in 9th inning |  |  |
| 15/10 run Mercy rule | After 3(15 runs) or 4 (10 runs) innings |  |  | After 4 (15 runs) or 5 (10 runs) innings |  |  |
| Dropped 3rd Strike | No Advance Advance allowed as per rule 6.09b |  |  |  |  |  |
| Intentional Walk | Prior to or during the at-bat, increase pitch count for a total of 4 balls. Any player may only be intentionally walked once per game. (can still walk on 4 pitched balls) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leaving the Base too soon | Runner cannot leave the base until pitched ball reaches the plate. (delayed dead ball) |  |  | No such rule. Runners may lead and steal accordingly. |  |  |

## Softball Tournament Rules - Summary

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| 2024 | 8-10 | 9-11 | LL (10-12) | Junior (12-14) | Senior (12-16) |
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| Eligibility (Age) Birthdate | Jan 1, 2013- Dec 31, 2015 | Jan 1, 2012- Dec 31, 2014 | Jan 1, 2011- Dec 31, 2013 | Jan 1, 2009 - Dec 31, 2011 | Jan 1, 2007- Dec 31, 2011 |
| Roster size | Maximum of 14 players (16 Senior), 1 manager and 2 coaches - max 3 adults |  |  |  |  |
| Coaches in dugout/field | 3 Adults are allowed, must have one adult in the dugout at all times |  |  |  |  |
| Mandatory Play batting | Continuous batting order including all players present at start of game |  |  |  | N/A |
| Mandatory Play injuries | Skip over players injured, ill, or leaving the game, without penalty |  |  |  | N/A |
| Baserunning | If batter reaches base, they must also run bases until out or inning ends |  |  |  | Special Pinch |
| Courtesy runner | Allowed for pitcher/catcher with two outs (last batted out) |  |  |  | Runner Rule |
| Substitutions - defensive | Player may be entered or re-entered defensively in the game at any time; remaining in the same spot in the batting order for the entire game |  |  |  | starters only may re-enter |
| Player re-entry limits | No limit on re-entry except pitchers returning as pitchers (see below). |  |  |  | Once/ game |
| Fields Neutral | All fields are neutral, coin toss to determine home team |  |  |  |  |
| Curfew | No new inning may start after Midnight |  |  | 12:30am | 1:00am |
| Helmets | 6 NOCSAE Helmets required |  |  | 7 NOCSAE Helmets required |  |
| Bats | Max. length 33"; max diameter 2 1/4" |  |  | Max. length 34"; x 2 1/4" |  |
| Bats - NON - Wood | Must have permanent printed label BPF 1.20 |  |  |  |  |
| Bats - Wood | Wood not less than 15/16 diameter; No Baseball bats allowed |  |  |  |  |
| Catchers | long or short model protector |  |  |  |  |
| Catchers Helmet | NOCSAE Helmet with dangling throat guard |  |  |  |  |
| Metal Cleats | Metal Cleats - Not Allowed |  |  | Allowed |  |
| On Deck Batter | Not Allowed - during or between innings |  |  | Allowed |  |
| Head First Slides | Not Allowed - player is out |  |  | Allowed |  |
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|  | Pitching Regulations |  |  |  |  |
| Softball | 11 inch $\quad 12$ Inch (preferred is LL licensed Dudley) |  |  |  |  |
| Pitching Distance | 35 feet |  |  | 43 feet |  |
| Pitching innings - MAX | 12 innings maximum per day |  |  | No pitching | restrictions |
| Pitching rest - none | Less than 7 innings - no rest required |  |  | No pitching restrictions |  |
| Pitching rest - 1 day | 7 innings or more - 1 day |  |  | No pitching restrictions |  |
| LEAPING on pitch | The pitcher may have both feet off the ground at the same time |  |  |  |  |
| llegal Pitch | Delayed dead ball - choice of play or penalty unless batter and runners advance one base |  |  |  |  |
| Ilegal Pitch - Penalty | Ball to batter or Offense can choose results of play |  |  |  |  |
| Pitcher return to mound | Pitcher removed but remaining in game can return to pitch - once per inning |  |  |  |  |


| DP/FLEX | Not Allowed |  |  | Allowed |
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| Protests | Playing rules protest - before the next pitch or play. Ineligible pitcher or mandatory play violation - before the umpires leave the field. Ineligible player - as soon as known, but before the next game for either team |  |  |  |
| Appeal Plays | Ball must be live when making an appeal |  |  |  |
| Offensive conferences | Only one conference per inning with any player |  |  |  |
| Defensive conferences | 3/4th visit $\quad$ 2nd visit in inning or 3rd in game and pitcher must be removed |  |  |  |
| Regulation Game | 6 innings / 4 shortened |  | 7 innings / 5 shortened |  |
| 15/10 run Mercy rule | 15 runs after 3,10 runs after 4 innings |  | 15 after 4, 10 after 5 innings |  |
| Tie Breaker rule | begins in 8th inning - place runner at 2nd base |  | begins in 9th inning |  |
| Intentional Walk | Prior to or during the at-bat, increase pitch count for a total of 4 balls. Any player may only be intentionally walked once per game. (Can always be walked by throwing 4 balls). |  |  |  |
| Dropped 3rd Strike | Batter cannot advance | Batter May Advance if 1st base unoccupied or if two outs with 1st base occupied |  |  |
| Runner Cannot leave base until ... | ball reaches batter | ball has been released by pitcher |  |  |
| Leaving the Base too soon Penalty | The ball is dead, "no pitch" is declared and the runner is out. |  |  |  |

