

Minot Storm Invitational Fastpitch Tournament 2023 Rules



This is a USA Softball of North Dakota sanctioned tournament. BATS must be approved. UMPIRES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL. No protests.

Coin flip - 5 minutes before game determines HOME team for all games.

The HOME team is the official scorekeeper. TIME LIMIT: 12UA, 14U and 16U/18U - 7 innings or 70 minutes. (At limit - Finish inning + play one more.) 10UA, 10UB and 12UB - 70 minutes (at 70 mins. finish the inning you are playing.) Please hustle in and out to keep games on time.

Pool games can end in a tie if time is expired or 7 complete innings have been played.

RUN RULE: 15 after 3, 12 after 4, and 8 after 5 innings of play.

*Both 10U A and B divisions will have a 6 run limit per inning.

You may bat all players and have unlimited substitutions in the field for all tournament games.

Umpires will turn final scores in to Tournament Headquarters after the game. Umpires will have game score cards.

Coaches must check bracket boards and maintain contact with Tournament Headquarters in case of time changes.

COURTESY RUNNER - A RESERVE MAY COURTESY RUN for the pitcher and/or catcher. Courtesy runner may not run for both the pitcher and catcher in the same inning.

NO STEAL SPIKES ALLOWED ON TURF DIAMONDS!

Game results will determine the seeding and/or winner of division depending on how the division is set up. In the event of a tie in, seeding/winner will be based off of the following:

Win/Loss Record (win=2, loss-0, tie=1) Head to head score Fewest Runs Scored Against Run Differential

Award will be given to the 1st and 2nd Place teams for each Division.

Have your FIRST AID KITS available in the dugout when playing games. Please clean up your dugout after each game.

Pick-up players are allowed as long as they are registered, are not on the roster for another team in division, and are age appropriate for the division in which they will be playing.

Game balls are provided.

Concessions and Tournament T-Shirts will be available to purchase.

Trinity Sports Medicine will be available during the tournament



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10U B Tournament Rules:

- Maximum of 10 defensive players (4 outfielders).
- May bat entire lineup. If batter cannot make her at-bat (injury, bathroom, etc.) that batter will be skipped in the lineup. That batter may then bat next time she comes up.
- Catcher must squat behind home plate in full gear. A defensive coach can stand behind the catcher to retrieve ball to help speed up the game, but cannot coach from that position.
- NO STEALING NO BUNTING * Baserunner shall not leave the base until the ball is hit.
- Players may advance only 1 base on all overthrows, even to the outfield.
- Batters will start with 1 strike.

WORK HARD!
WEAR SUNSCREEN!
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HAVE FUN!