



## ***MID-SUMMER SOFTBALL CLASSIC RULES***

### **TOURNAMENT FORMAT**

- Only players listed on the entry form, with a paid entry fee and signed waiver, will be allowed to play.
- The tournament will be a double elimination format giving every team the opportunity to play a minimum of two games. Brackets to be set prior to game play.
- Any games postponed or canceled due to rain or poor conditions may be made up on Sunday.
- Payout is \$1,000 for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$400 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and \$100 for 3<sup>rd</sup> place with a 16 team minimum.

### **SPECIAL RULES**

***Pitch Delivery*** – Underhand pitch, Unlimited Arch, must reach minimum of 6ft in height.

***Pitch Count*** – Ball and Strike Count starts at 1-1 (Will play 3 balls and 2 strikes)

Second strike may be a swinging strike, called strike, and foul ball.

***Strike*** – any legally pitched ball that lands on the surface of home plate and/or the mat.

***Batting*** – Bats must be slow pitch softball bats. Bunting is not allowed.

***Homerun Rule*** – The *second* homerun by a single player in a single game will be played as a ground-rule double. The *third* homerun by the same player in the same game will be an automatic out, runners do not advance.

***Base Running*** – There will be no leading-off and no stealing, results in an automatic out.

### **TOURNAMENT RULES**

- Metal Cleats are NOT allowed.
- Each team must have at least 8 players to start the game.
- Alcoholic beverages are allowed in the dugouts but are NOT allowed on the playing field.
- Smoking is NOT allowed in the dugouts or on the field.
- Foul Language is prohibited.
- Harassment of volunteers and umpires is prohibited.

### **GAME BALLS**

- 14” softballs to be used in game play

### **REGULATION GAMES**

- A regulation game shall consist of 7 (seven) innings, a complete game will be considered after 4 innings.
- Each game will last roughly one hour with no new innings to start after 50 minutes.
  - Exception: “10 Run Rule” any time after 5 innings, and “15 Run Rule” any time after 4 innings.

### **MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION**

- All rules not specified in this rule supplement will be covered by the 2005 Official Softball Rules as adopted by the Amateur Softball Association of America (ASA).
- Tournament Director has the authority to alter rules and make decisions not covered in the rules, they have the power to cancel any events for reason including safety, weather, and playing conditions.