

INVASION FASTPITCH



GARY BEAL 12U TOURNAMENT RULES 2019

- 1. Each game shall be six complete innings, unless after three complete innings, either team leads by 12 or more runs, after 4 complete innings a team leads by 10 or more runs or after 5 complete innings a team leads after 8 or more runs. There will be a five run limit in every inning but the sixth. If a game is suspended for any reason, it will be resumed from the point of discontinuance.
 - No inning will start after 1 hour and 20 minutes of play. No time limit in the championship game other than curfew. See below for tie breaker rules in pool play and bracket play.
 - No infield/outfield warm up balls between innings. Pitcher is allowed five warm up pitches.
- 2. No pitcher can pitch more than eight innings in two consecutive games. One pitch in an inning constitutes a full inning pitched. Each team must complete the pitching log (hanging on the fence behind home plate) after each game.
- 3. All teams shall field nine players. All players on the roster will bat in order. Any injury to a player does not result in an out in the lineup. Free substitution will be allowed for all positions except the pitcher. Only the starting pitcher may re-enter as a pitcher, one time providing she is eligible and has not been removed on a second trip to the mound. Once a pitcher is removed from the mound for any reason, she may not re-enter as a pitcher, however, she may re-enter in any other position.
- 4. Each team must but their entire roster, so long as there is an equal number of players on each roster. To the extent that one roster has more players than their opponent, before each game begins, the team with more players has the option to (i) but all players on their roster or (ii) but at least the number of players of their opponent. Any player not in the lineup on the team with more players shall be on the bench, and must be substituted according to Babe Ruth rules. Players on the bench are not eligible for free substitution until they have been brought into the game. All substitutions must be reported to the opponent and the umpire.
- 5. The infield fly rule will be in effect.
- 6. Bunting is allowed.
- 7. A dropped third strike is in effect.
- 8. Stealing is allowed. Runners may leave the base when the pitcher releases the ball.
- 9. A flip of the coin prior to each game will determine the home team during pool play. The higher seeded will be the home team during bracket play. The home team is required to keep the official scorebook. The winning team is required to report via text to 267-251-4029.
- 10. Unless stated above, we will follow all rules as stated in the 2017 Softball Division of Babe Ruth Rules and Regulations Handbook for 12 and under girls tournament play.
- 11. After pool play is complete all teams will be ranked by winning percentage for bracket creation.



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- 12. Tie breaker rules for pool play:
 - a. Head to head
 - b. Fewest runs allowed
 - c. Run differential with a maximum of 10 per game
 - d. Coin toss
- 13. <u>International tie breaker rules are in effect for bracket play</u>. The person who batted last in the previous inning shall be placed on second base with no outs to start the inning for each team.

Note: Tournament schedule subject to revision at Host's discretion. All teams guaranteed 3 games weather and daylight permitting.

