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**2021 CLINTONVILLE FASTPITCH TOURNAMENT 14U RULES**

**SEEDING:**

* Two Pool Play Games will Decide Bracket Seeding for single elimination
* Tie breakers used for Bracket Seeding

1. Win/loss
2. Runs allowed
3. Runs scored
4. Coin flip

**PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:**

* Players turning age 15 before January 1, 2021 are not eligible in this bracket.
* Teams are limited to 15 players. Final rosters and waivers are due 30 minutes before your first game

Please turn in your final Rosters to a tournament official in the concession stand. Athletes can only be on one teams roster for the tournament. No changes can be made to rosters after that time as these players would be ineligible.

* Games in which an ineligible player is used will be declared a forfeit.
* Birth certificates must be available if requested by the tournament director.

**GAMES AND LENGTH:**

* Each game will consist of 7 innings or have a time limit of 75 minutes. A new

inning may not start after the time limit has been reached. No time limit in the

championship game. The official start time will be kept by the home plate umpire.

* Home team is decided by a coin flip during pool play, the team that traveled the furthest will call the coin flip. During bracket play, the higher seeded team will be the home team. The home team is the official scorekeeper, a parent or family member of the Home team should be available to run the scoreboard if needed.
* 10 run after 4 innings & 15 run after 3 innings mercy rules will apply
* Games may end in a tie in pool play. They will be scored ½ win and ½ loss. Bracket play

games tied at the end of regulation or time limit will be decided by using the International

Tiebreaker Rule (Start inning with runner on second – The runner must be the player who made the last out in the prior inning).

* The Winning Team is responsible for reporting scores to the concession stand or by texting 715-701-1293
* Schedule and scores will be entered on the EBracket app. If you find a discrepancy in a score etc please contact the tournament director directly for review
* The infield fly rule will apply
* Helmets with face guards must be worn until the player is in the dugout.

**SUBSTITUTIONS:**

* Teams can choose to bat their entire roster with free substitution, use standard 9-person batting order with standard Substitution rules or use a DP/FLEX 10-person lineup with standard substitution rules
* If batting the roster, the courtesy runner for pitcher/catcher would be the last recorded out
* Maximum of 9 players on the field.
* 9 players are required to start a game and 8 players are required to complete a game.
* Players leaving a game early will be skipped if 9 or more players remain. If 9 players do

not remain an out will be recorded for that spot in the order.

**BASE RUNNING:**

* Sliding is Not Required but a baserunner can be called out for interference if they make physical contact with a defensive player and the umpire determined that the physical contact affected the outcome of the play.
* A courtesy runner is allowed for the pitcher and catcher. After the first pitch the

option of a courtesy runner is gone. The runner must be the player who made the

last out.

**PITCHING:**

* No limit on pitcher's innings.
* Pitchers are allowed 3 warm up pitches in between innings. A new pitcher entering the

game is allowed 5 warm up pitches.

* Pitchers will pitch from 43 feet with a 12 inch ball.
* Dropped 3rd Strike Rule is in effect.
* Trips to the mound by a coach may not exceed 1 per inning per pitcher. The second trip in

an inning shall automatically result in the removal of the pitcher for the remainder of that

inning.

**ADDITIONAL RULES**

* No chanting or harassment of the other team. Profanity or harassment by a team member,

coach, or fans towards anyone will not be tolerated. This type of activity can lead to an

ejection.

* Umpire decisions are final, including all protests.
* No stalling-stalling could lead to a forfeit.
* Coaches and players are responsible for clean-up of dugout after their games.
* Any rules not covered here are then subject to WIAA rules. The tournament director

reserves the right to change any rules that would be deemed necessary.

* In case of inclement weather the tournament director reserves the right to alter the

tournament format if necessary.

* No hitting softballs into fences during warmups or games. Please use the batting cages

and share with other teams accordingly.

* Players are not allowed in fair territory on the infield for warmups.

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