

Gallatin Valley Softball Association

2025 End of Season League District Tournament

General Tournament Rules:

- Time Limit: No New Inning after 60 minutes, except lead in games and championship games will be no time limit.
- Home / Visitor: Home team goes to the higher seed on all games except the Championship game. Home team for championship game goes to the undefeated team. For the "IF" game, a coin toss will be used for home team.
- Home Runs: Mens Upper – 3, Mens Middle - 1, Mens Lower - 1, Coed - 1
- Run rule is always in effect: The game will end if a team is ahead by: 20 Runs after 3 innings, 15 runs after 4 Innings, 10 runs after 5 innings. If the home team is ahead and batting at the 60-minute mark, the game will be called.
- All other GVSA League Rules and USA Softball Rules will be in effect.

Line-ups and Substitutions:

Men's, 10 or 11 players, if playing with 11, only 10 can be in the field, the extra person can shuffle in and out on Defense, with no penalty. If a team has 9 they can play short-handed, taking an out in that spot in the batting order. If someone shows up to fill the spot, they must do so immediately, if they refuse, they are ineligible to enter the game. A team can not play with fewer than 9 players.

Coed- A team must start with 10 of an equal split of men and women, they can bat up to 12 with the same equal numbers, they are also subject to the short-handed rule if they start with 12 and one of said 12 are absent.

Formal substitutions only. A player can only enter the game twice. So, a player who starts the game, may leave the lineup for a substitution and can re-enter the lineup later. If they are taken out a second time, they can no longer enter the game. A player who starts the game as a sub can enter and leave the game twice.

As with league play, once a player is in the lineup at a batting order, they are always tied to that position in the batting order for subbing in and out.

Courtesy Runners:

One courtesy runner is allowed per inning, per gender only. The pitcher can have unlimited courtesy runners, and this doesn't count for your one per inning per gender.

Double First Base:

A runner incorrectly using the double first base is now an appeal call by the defense (no longer an automatic out by the umpire)

Rosters:

1. Only players who are on your roster are eligible to play on your team (or pickup players, see below). This is the USA Softball roster that was completed on gvsoftbal.org.
2. Each team is allowed three Pickup Players -
 - a. The pickup player must be a rostered player for GVSA on another team.
 - i. This includes men's teams, as well as the women's league
 - b. If picking up a player from another team, and their original team is also playing in the district tournament, they will be dropped from their original team.
 - c. If picking up a player from another team, the player must be from your division or lower. Cannot pick up a player from a higher division.
 - d. If a Coed team is picking up a player from a mens team:
 - i. Coed Bracket 1 can pick up any men's player
 - ii. Coed Bracket 2 can only pick up a men's player from either a Men's Middle or a Men's Lower division team.
 - e. Any team can pick up any player from the women's league
3. To pick up a player, the Manager and Player must fully fill out the pickup player form (found online or at the concession stand) and deliver it to the District Commissioner ***before the start of your first tournament game.***
4. Players may be asked to show proof of identification (government issued photo id) in the event of a roster check.
5. Roster Check Process
 - a. A team may "roster check" an individual on the opposing team.
 - b. A fee of \$50 is required to roster check, which will get returned if the roster is determined to be illegal. If you are incorrect in your roster check, you will forfeit the \$50.
 - c. If an illegal player is found via the roster check process, the illegal player will be deemed ineligible for the entirety of the tournament (that is, if they are a legal player on a different team, they will not be able to continue for that team as well)
 - i. If it is before the end of the 1st inning, and the offending team has enough remaining players to continue the game, the game will be reset to and played as scheduled.
 - ii. If it happens before the end of the game, the game results in a forfeit by the offending team
 - d. To roster check, inform the umpire, the umpire will pause the game, and the manager should immediately summon the District Commissioner.
 - e. After the game ends, teams are no longer able to roster check.