

# 2025 State Men's and Women's Tournament

### **Tournament Rules**

- I. All USA Softball rules will be followed, plus rules listed below
- II. Teams will need to turn in a lineup card for each game, line up cards will be provided by the tournament.
- III. Run rule is in effect for all games. 20 runs after 2½ or 3 innings, 15 runs after 3½ or 4 innings, and 10 runs after 4½ or 5 innings.
- IV. Home runs allowed:
  - A. Men's C 5
  - B. Men's D 3
  - C. Men's E 1
  - D. Women's 5
- V. Stealing is allowed in all divisions
- VI. Home team will be decided by a coin flip in all games except for the Championship game. The home team for the championship game will go the the team on the winner's side (has not lost yet). "If" game will revert back to coin flip.
- VII. Home team will be the official book and score keeper. Both teams are encouraged to keep score and stay in sync throughout the game.
- VIII. Winning team should report their score to the tournament tent.
- IX. Bat testing
  - A. All bats used in the tournament will be required to be tested and have a tournament sticker.
  - B. Bat testing will be conducted at the following times. We encourage teams to come early to make sure their bat gets approved before they play.
  - C. Thursday 6:00 pm 8:00 pm
  - D. Friday 6:00 pm 9:00 pm
  - E. Saturday 7:00 am 10:00 am
  - F. After 10:00 am Saturday, bat testing will be available on an as needed basis.
- X. Ejection rules
  - A. The ejected participant is restricted from having contact with the team and is suspended for one additional game. The ejected participant is not permitted to sit in the stands, dugout or general locality of the next game.
  - B. Upon a second offense, the player will be ineligible for the rest of the tournament.
  - C. A player can also be made ineligible if the umpire deems them too intoxicated to play, or any other reason per the judgement of the umpire
  - D. There is a ZERO TOLERANCE policy when it comes to umpire mistreatment.

- XI. Teams should show up to their fields ½ hour before their scheduled start time. If teams are ready, games will start early to help ensure the tournament stay on schedule.
- XII. No metal cleats allowed
- XIII. Uniforms. Players of the same team must have shirts numbered and the shirts must be similar in color. Baseball caps, headbands or visors, if worn, must be worn correctly.
- XIV. Weather and other delays:
  - A. If a tournament is delayed and regulation play cannot be resumed and completed by Sunday, the tournament director will continue the tournament with a 3-2 count format. When time and conditions allow regulation play will be resumed.
  - B. In case of a tournament being canceled due to inclement weather, a flip of the coin will be used to determine the winner of each game until final placing is decided.

#### **Code of Conduct**

- A coach is responsible for the actions of his assistant coaches, players, and fans!
- Value the individual (player, official, manager, sponsor, etc.)
- Participate within the competition conditions and rules and in the spirit of fair play.
- Accept a win or loss with dignity.
- Comply with umpires' decisions in a professional and respectful manner.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people, and refrain from any discriminatory practices against any person regardless of age, gender, ethnic origin, religion or ability.
- Refrain from making derogatory, demeaning or discriminatory remarks about any players, coaches or other players.
- Act in a controlled, respectful, and dignified manner to all involved with softball, including opponents, coaches, officials, umpires, scorers, administrators, and spectators.
- Encourage others to demonstrate the same qualities.
- Represent your sponsors and hometowns well
- Refrain from any form of innuendo or harassment towards any player, coach or official. This includes explicit, implicit, verbal and non-verbal harassment.
- Do not tolerate acts of aggression.

#### **Softball Complex Rules**

- No glass bottles of any kind are allowed
- No dogs allowed
  - Note there are two small dog runs / dog parks on the softball complex property if you need to run your dogs around.
- Please refrain from profanity
- Please place all trash in the trash receptacles. Help keep your park clean!

## Camping

Camping is available at the softball complex. Campers must be in the parking lot area farthest from the gate (see map). The upper lot off of Highland Blvd is a mixed use lot, so be mindful of non softball users. Camping is on a first come first serve basis.

