Tournament Rules Summary



2025 Fast Pitch Classic

All games follow USA Softball / ASA rules, with these exceptions:

75-minute time limit will be in effect for ALL games, including championship games.

Game time begins upon conclusion of the home plate conference.

Innings will be completed.

Home team: Coin toss determines home team in <u>pool games</u>. Higher seed is the home team in Sunday <u>championship round games</u>.

Run rule: 15 after 3, 12 after 4, 8 after 5.

DP/FLEX can be used.

Teams may bat as many as they wish (if using DP/FLEX, FLEX should be written in the last spot of the lineup).

In the case where a team is batting all of their players and a player happens to become injured:

-if 9 or more players remain in the lineup, the player will be skipped in the lineup and no out will be taken.

-if less than 9 batters remain in the lineup, the injured player will become an out each time they are up to bat.

-teams must have a minimum of 8 players to continue a game

Unlimited defensive substitutions are allowed for players who are in the batting line-up.

Courtesy runner for pitchers and catchers allowed.

First option is a runner who has not participated in the game.

Second option is player who made last out.

Tie Games...Pool games will end in a tie when games are tied at the end of 7 innings or when the time limit has been reached. The International tiebreaker will be used for all bracket and championship games until a winner is determined.

Pool Tie-breakers: (1) Head-to-head (2) Fewest runs allowed (3) Most runs scored (4) Coin flip

All other rules will be governed by the USA rules of softball. Decisions made on the field of play by umpires will be final.

Games may be shortened, rescheduled or canceled due to weather if deemed appropriate by the tournament director. Updates will be communicated by email, text and Facebook. All other decisions and judgments regarding the operation of the tournament will be made by the tournament directors – Kailyn Bates and Kim Bryson