



Boys Baseball Fast-pitch Tournament Indoor Rules

Location - 5117 Garfield Road, Auburn, MI 48611

Registration and Check-in

- a. All teams must check in at dome prior to their first game and have signed the Tri-City Sports Complex Waiver form.
- b. All participants must sign the Tri-City Sports Complex hold harmless agreement. All teams must provide a copy of their team insurance.
- c. This is a non-sanctioned tournament and rosters are not restricted. Each team is limited to a roster of 14 players (roster form provided by tourney director is a sanctioned roster is not available).
- d. If asked a birth certificate must be developed within 24 hours. Failure to produce proof of age for any participating player upon request will result in forfeiture of all games in which the player participated in. No official roster will need to be submitted since this is a non-sanctioned tournament. **If any team member requests a participating player birth certificate from opposing team, the requesting team will have to pay a \$50 request fee to TCSC for request due immediately.**
- e. Gate fee for the tournament is included in team fee.

Code of conduct and conflict resolution

- a. **No outside food, drinks, and/or tobacco products of any kind inside of the sports complex dome. Drinks are limited to items sold at the concession stand.**
- b. Zero tolerance for any abusive language to any umpire or tournament official. You will be asked to leave the premises.
- c. All calls during pool play are final and cannot be disputed.
- d. Any dispute of rules during bracket play should be brought to the umpire and if the dispute cannot be resolved by umpire the game will continue as the UIC and tournament director are contacted to resolve the dispute.

- e. To help eliminate/reduce the COVID-19 virus, all players in the field will not be required to wear a mask during play. **HOWEVER, players on the bench MUST WEAR A MASK. Any player refusing to wear a mask, will be disqualified, and removed from the premises immediately.**
- f. All non-participants will always be required to wear masks in the facility unless sitting in one location.

2019 TRI-CITY SPORTS COMPLEX BASEBALL RULES

Thank you for your participation in TCSC Baseball Tournaments. Below are age specific rules. Please read this sheet in its entirety and let us know if you have any questions. When you are warming up, please be sure to do so in a safe and controlled manner. Keep an eye on your players at all times.

Age Specific Rules

9U Division

1. Base Distance will be 65'
2. Pitching Distance will be 46'
3. No leading off until the ball crosses home plate. No leading from the base is allowed. Runner will be called out for leading off.
4. No stealing until the ball crosses home plate. Base runner once he reaches third base cannot steal home unless there is a play made on any base.
5. Batter is out on a dropped 3rd strike.
6. No balks will be called.
7. Ten (10) defensive players allowed.

10U Division

1. Base distance will be 65'
2. Pitching distance will be 46'
3. Runners may lead off and steal
4. Base runner once he reaches third base cannot steal home unless there is a play made on any base.
5. Balks will be called after one (1) warning per pitcher
6. Batter is out on a dropped 3rd strike
7. Nine (9) defensive players allowed

11U/12U Division

1. Base distance will be 70'
2. Pitching distance will 50'
3. Runners may lead off
4. Batter may advance on a dropped 3rd strike
5. Stealing of home is allowed
6. Balks will be called after the first warning per pitcher
7. Nine (9) defensive players

13U Division

1. Base distances will be 80'
2. Pitching distance will be 55'
3. Runners may lead off
4. Stealing of home is allowed
5. Balks will be called without warning

6. Batter may advance on a drop 3rd strike
7. Nine (9) defensive players

ADDITIONAL TOURNAMENT RULES

No bat restrictions will be followed for our indoor leagues for 9U-13U aged teams only.

1. We will follow MHSAA rules, including the pitching/balk rule.
2. **Any team that has sunflower seeds will forfeit their game(s), with no warnings given. If a team cannot obey the facility rules, they will be asked to leave. Please pass this information on your team members and their parents.**
3. Every player on the roster may bat, and it is free defensive substitution. A late arriving player may be added to the bottom of the batting order, if that team hasn't made it thru the order completely.
4. A player that bats out of order, legally puts the ball in play, and if it is properly appealed before a legal pitch has been delivered to the next batter, then the player who was supposed to have batted is declared out, and all action is negated. The next batter shall be the batter who naturally follows the player who was declared out. If batting out of order is caught/appealed before ball is legally put in play, then the correct batter will bat and assume the current count.
5. Pinch-runners may be used for pitcher and catcher. Last out or any available substitutes may be used.
6. Beginning pitch count is 1 and 1. We will follow the Catholic High School League Rule for bunting, (i.e.: a batter has two strikes and decides to bunt and he fouls it off, the batter is not out. The batter receives an additional opportunity to put the ball into play. If the batter bunts again and fouls it off the batter is out.).
7. **ALL games have a 70 min time limit / drop dead. The game clock officially starts at the conclusion of the pregame meeting. For purposes of bracket ranking and playoffs, the score will revert to the last completed inning, unless time expires in the bottom of an inning and the home team is winning. Championship game to be 70 min time limit, finish the inning. Games can start up to 15 minutes before the stated start time so please have your team ready to play. Please enter and exit the fields quickly.**
8. The short-handed rule is in effect. If an injury occurs and a player can no longer bat, assuming there is no eligible substitution, then an out will be recorded in that spot.
9. If a player is ejected and that team has no eligible substitutions, then that team will forfeit. The score will be 7-0.
10. Infield fly rule will not be enforced.
11. Pitching Restrictions: 9U/10U maximum of 3 innings (one balk warning per pitcher per team), 11U/12U maximum 4 innings (one balk warning per team per game), 13U maximum of 5 innings (no balk warnings), and High School is unlimited (no balk warnings). These rules are per GAME. A pitcher that throws one pitch beyond the maximum will give the batter an automatic pass to first base. A pitcher once removed cannot be re-inserted into pitch for the remainder of the game.
12. Run Ahead Rule: 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.
13. Dugouts are for coaches and players only. **3 Coaches maximum allowed.**
14. The umpire will cover and define the field of play in the pregame meeting. Out of play areas, home run designations, and field obstacles will be clearly defined.
15. Team roster/waivers must be turned in prior to your first game. Any player without a signed and completed waiver will not be allowed to play. If a player is deemed to be too old based on the Tri City Sports Complex age requirements (ask if you are unsure) your team will forfeit, and the player will not be able to play. Please keep copies of birth certificates with you, no need to turn them in, unless a player's age is contested.
16. On deck batters are responsible for picking up bats after a batted ball.

17. Protective cups for catchers are mandatory. If a catcher does not have a cup, he will not be allowed to participate in that position until he is properly equipped.
18. Coaches please pass along to your staff, team members, and parents: The Tri City Sports Complex will not allow any coach, player, or parent in the building that cannot conduct themselves in a calm and professional manner. Unsportsmanlike behavior will result in your team being asked to leave.
19. The international tie-breaker rule will be used in bracket play and championship games, if necessary.
20. Higher seed in pool play, playoffs, and championship will have choice of home or away status.
21. The Tournament Director and UIC will confer and rule on any unforeseeable issue. The Tournament Director reserves the right to modify any rule, in the effort of ensuring a fair tournament result.

Tie-Breaker Rules:

1. Overall Record
2. Head to head
3. Least runs allowed
4. Largest run differential (Max 7 runs)
5. Coin Flip

3 games guaranteed. Re-seeding of teams after 3 pool-games. Top 2 teams in pool play will advance to championship game.