

Sycamore Girls' Softball "Keep it Rock'n 2021" Rules

- A. Conduct: Sportsmanship will be paramount throughout the day.
Coaches are responsible for their players and fans. **All decisions by umpires are final. No protests will be allowed.** Repeated violations will result in the offending team forfeiting their game(s).
- B. Complete game:
a. 12u - 14u - 7 innings.
- C. Game Time: Teams must be ready to play 30 minutes early. (Game Time is Forfeit time unless team is involved in another tournament game). No practice on the infield will be allowed on the diamonds prior to any and all games. All game times may be subject to change due to inclement weather.
- D. Time Limit: No new inning will start after 1 hour and 20 minutes. Umpire will start the game timer as soon as pregame conference has ended and home team has taken the field. **1 hr 30 minute complete the inning time limit on championship games**
- E. Run Ahead Rule: 15 runs after 3/10 runs after 4 / 8 runs after 5 innings
- F. Home vs Away: Decided by coin flip in pool play and higher seed in bracket
- G. Batting Order: A continuous batting order may be used for all levels during pool play. Book rule for bracket play
a. Bat 9, or may use DP/Flex and up to 2 EH's
- H. Courtesy Runner will be last batted out if batting entire order or substitute that has not entered game if the team has a sub.

I. Ties: Tie games are permitted in pool play games. Bracket games will be played until the tie is broken. Tie breaker innings will use the international tiebreaker rule. The last out of the previous inning will start on 2nd base.

J. Standings

- a. Best Record
- b. Head to Head
- c. Total Runs Allowed
- d. Run Differential
- e. Blind Draw

K. Rain out policy

- f. If no games are played - full refund less \$75 administration fee
- g. 1 game is played - \$175 returned
- h. 2 or more games are played - no refund (game is considered played as soon as it is started)

L. Check – in:

- i. Teams will need to check in at registration table at least 30 minutes before first game with:
 - Signed team roster
 - Certificate of insurance
 - Player birth certificates (available if requested)

Will Follow NAFA Rules for the tournament.

<https://www.nafasoftball.com/page/show/3882499-nafa-rulebook->

Park map is included. Highlighted areas behind backstops and extended just past bases on each field are for players, coaches and officials only. Spectators and parents must stay outside of those areas.

Players and coaches should spread out in areas behind dugouts and benches to allow for as much social distancing as possible while not on the field of play.

Family groups and team groups should maintain social distance from other family and team groups.

Please ask parents and spectators to allow the previous game's fans to leave the field area before they move in.

Concessions will be open. Masks should be worn and social distancing practiced while waiting in line for concessions.

Parking for fields 2 and 3 is available in the field beyond the left field fence of field #2.

Pets are not prohibited at the park, but would prefer not having them out there with the current climate.

We thank you all in advance, for your cooperation in following these guidelines and look forward to a fun day at the ballpark!