

# **MN SnoCatz**

## **2022 Pre-Father's Day Tournament Rules**

### **June 11<sup>th</sup> & June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

#### **GENERAL RULES:**

1. Tournament Fee is \$400 per team (no gate fee). Game balls will be provided by the tournament.
2. Each team is guaranteed 4 games- pool play to single elimination.
3. All teams need to check in at the concessions stand at least 1 hour prior to their first game with a printed copy of their signed USA Team Roster.
4. All play will be at Booster Park in East Bethel. Field 1-4 will be utilized for all 14u and 16u games. These fields are on the West side or to the left as you come into the park. Field 7-8 will be utilized for 12u games on Saturday. These field on are the East side or to the right as you come into the park. All brackets play games / all ages, will be played on the West side – Fields 1-4 on Sunday.
5. Teams will not be penalized for having only 8 players.
6. Except where modified by these rules, the USA Softball Rulebook will be used.
7. The Home team will be decided by a coin toss
8. All games are 65 minutes games with no new innings starting after 65 minutes allowing the last inning to be completed and one inning using the International Tie Breaker (ITB) rule if the game is tied. Pool play games may end in a tie. Winners must be determined in bracket play.
9. Seeding for bracket play on Sunday will be Win/Loss Record, Head-to-Head, Least Runs Allowed, Most Runs Scored. If a tie remains, decision will be made by a coin flip.
10. Run Rule: 15 runs after 3 complete innings, 10 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.
11. All protests will be settled on the field. No appeals will be allowed to the Tournament Director.
12. In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances, the tournament director has the right to adjust the format of this event to include adjusting the length of games. All parties will be duly notified.

13. Games cancelled/postponed with more than 35 minutes played are final; games with less than 35 minutes played may be restarted if time and schedule permits (any scoring that occurs prior to postponement will be carried over when play resumes).
14. The tournament host is not responsible for any injuries.

**Additional Information:**

1. U12 Pitching Distance is 40 feet.
2. U14 and U16 Pitching Distance is 43 Feet.
3. All teams (U12, U14, & U16), can bat their entire rosters with unlimited substitution or choose to bat 9 w/Substitutes or 9 w/DP-Flex in accordance with USA rules. Both teams DO NOT have to use the same batting rule: i.e. one team can bat their roster the other can bat DP/Flex in the same game.
4. Courtesy runner for pitcher and catcher is allowed: If batting the roster, the last out (unless they were the pitcher or catcher) will be the runner. If batting 9 or DP/Flex, the courtesy runner must be a bench player.
5. All bracket play games will be played on the West Side of Booster Park – fields #1 - #4 on Sunday. (This includes 12u)
6. 14u will have a Gold and a Silver Bracket on Sunday. Top 2 places from each pool will be placed in the Gold Bracket. All others will be in the Silver Bracket.
7. Medals will be awarded to First and Second Place winners. Non-paid National Births will be awarded to all 1<sup>st</sup> place winners.

**Additional Information:**

- 1) There will be concessions stands on both the West side and the East side.
- 2) There are restrooms with running water on both sides along with porta-potties.
- 3) There will be t-shirts sales on the West side – Fields 1-4.
- 4) Lakes Hawaiian Ice will be on the West Side both days.
- 5) We will have a Hot Dog Team Challenge with a trophy awarded to the team that purchases the most hot dogs!

If you have any questions, please email [mnsnocatzsoftball@gmail.com](mailto:mnsnocatzsoftball@gmail.com)

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