

"LAST CHANCE" Softball Tournament Rules

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Gress Softball Complex (455 8th Ave SW / Dickinson, ND)

- > **NO GLASS CONTAINERS OF ANY TYPE ALLOWED ON COMPLEX PROPERTY!**
NO SMOKING (TOBACCO) ALLOWED ON COMPLEX PROPERTY!
- > **PARKING:** Gress Complex -- DO NOT park on the sides of the entrance road! Use the parking lot!
- > **Team manager must report to the respective complex office 1/2 hour before 1st game.** Report any pick-up players. All players must be reported and finalized before your first game. You must report the player's name, what team they play for and team's classification.
- > **TOURNAMENT DIVISIONS FOR PICK-UP PLAYER PURPOSES:**
Men's R1-R2 / Men's R3-R4 / Women's R2-R3
- > Teams may pick up players based on the classification division of the tournament they are entered in. (Ex. = R4 team playing in "R3-R4" division may pick up "R3" players.)
- > Pick-up players: 12 original = 0 / 11 original = 1 / 10 original = 2 / 9 original = 3 / 8 or less original = 4
- > Pick-up players must wear their original team's uniform; not a uniform from team picking them up.
- > A dual roster player can only be picked up based on the highest classification of any team said player is on. Pick-up player must wear the uniform of his highest class team.
- > **GAME TIME IS FORFEIT TIME!** A forfeit will be considered a loss, but the team will be allowed to continue play. Second forfeit will eliminate team from the tournament.
- > **NO pre-game infield allowed.**
- > **70 minute Time Limit on all games (except trophy games).**
- > **7-Inning Game: 20 runs after 3 Innings / 15 runs after 4 Innings / 10 runs after 5 Innings.**
- > **EXTRA INNINGS:** Will start with last batter from previous inning on 2nd base.
- > **Home Runs per Game: Men's: (R1-R2 = 2) (R3-R4 = 1) Excess home runs are outs.**
Team that hits the Home Run must retrieve the ball in a timely manner.
- > **All Batters start with a "1 Ball & 1 Strike" count. No courtesy foul ball.**
- > **Team at bat is allowed 1 courtesy runner per inning.**
- > **NDASA Casual Profanity Rule is to be enforced!**
- > **Batter's Box WILL NOT be chalked.** Umpire still has authority to call a batter out of the box when it is obvious! (Ex: Stepping on plate / Stepping directly in front of plate / Batter standing at outer edge of box away from plate & stepping toward dugout area on inside pitch, etc.)

- > **ABSOLUTELY NO DRINKING OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR SMOKING BY PLAYERS OR COACHES DURING THE PLAYING OF THEIR GAME! AUTOMATIC EJECTION!**
- > **Team must declare if batting 10 or 11 players.** If batting 11; any 10 of the 11 may play defense at any time during the game (this is not reported to the umpire). All other players may be used as substitutes. **All substitutions must be reported to the umpire immediately when they occur!**
- > **Team may start with 9 players** (10th spot in batting order is an out). If the 10th player arrives, they may enter the game on any dead ball as soon as they are ready to play.
- > **Team can play 1 player short due to injury**, taking an out in the injured player's batting spot (except if started with 9; this would not apply as they are already 1 player short). Once a player leaves the game with no substitute available, said player cannot return to play later in same game.
- > **If a team has no substitute and a player is ejected, the game is a forfeit!**
- > **ANY PLAYER MAY RE-ENTER THE GAME 1 TIME!** Player must re-enter for the player in the batting slot the re-entering player was originally in. You CANNOT ALTER THE BATTING ORDER of the players. Defensive position is irrelevant to the substitution.

POOL PLAY TIE BREAKER RULES:

NOTE: Revert back to head-to-head whenever possible

- I. Head-to-Head Record
- II. 3-Way Tie:
 1. Head-to-head amongst teams tied
 2. Total run differential amongst teams tied (20 run max. -- forfeit = 20)
 3. Total run differential in all games played (20 run max.)
 4. Total Runs scored in all games played