

LANGLEY FASTBALL ASSOCIATION, LANGLEY REP FASTBALL TOURNAMENT RULES 2019

Softball B.C. rules will apply, unless otherwise noted.

1. **Team Rosters:** must be presented to the tournament director no less than 30 minutes prior to the team's first game. A maximum of 15 players may be on the roster form with no changes after your first game. Two registered pick-ups, from the same classification or lower within the teams own category or lower category from their own association are allowed. If more pick-ups are required, prior written approval from the Tournament Director is needed. Teams can play with 8 players, with the 9th being an automatic out.
2. **SCHEDULES** - All coaches are responsible for checking the game schedule board for all game times and any schedule revisions – NO EXCEPTIONS
3. All teams will play games as scheduled. The tournament director has the sole discretion to amend all rules as necessary. Such as, in the case of inclement weather, schedules and game time limits may be reduced, games may be moved to another time slot and, if applicable, the tournament may be reduced to a single knock-out.
4. **TIME LIMITS:**
Round Robin – No new inning will start after 80 minutes. Time begins after the completion of the plate conference. A new inning is deemed to have started with the umpire's call of the 3rd out against the home team. Games can end in a tie. If the home team scores the winning run after the time has expired, the game will end, and the score will be final.

Playoffs and Bronze Medal Games: No new inning after 90 minutes. The game is over when a winner is decided. After time or 7 innings the game will revert to international tie breaking rules with the batter furthest from being up starting on 2B.
5. **Gold Medal Games:** All gold medal games will have a 90 minute time limit. No new inning will begin after 90 minutes. After time or 7 innings the game will revert to international tie breaking rules with the batter furthest from being up starting on 2B.
6. **RUN AHEAD RULE:** 15 runs after 2½, 3, 3½, 10 runs after 4, 4½ innings, and 7 runs after 5 innings will apply to U12 and above,

during round robin and playoffs. Note: In Icebreaker Tournaments the Run Ahead Rule can be waived by the losing team in order to continue playing until the drop-dead time.

7. **DESIGNATED PLAYER RULE:** As per Softball Canada, the **DESIGNATED PLAYER RULE** will be in effect at all level tournaments from U14 and above.
8. **PITCHING:** U14C and lower, Pitchers are only allowed to pitch a maximum of 4 innings per game.
9. **HOME TEAM:** For all round robin games, the home team will be decided by the flip of a coin prior to the start of the game. For all playoff games, the higher seeded team gets to choose Home/Away.
10. **EJECTIONS:** Any player, coach or official team representative ejected from a game may be subject to further disciplinary action to be taken at the discretion of the tournament committee.
11. **PROTESTS:** All tournaments are no protest tournaments.
12. **SCORES:** Both teams are responsible for keeping score, and are encouraged to check-in with each other throughout the game to ensure accuracy. The winning team is responsible for bringing the signed score card to the Tournament Director within 10 minutes of game completion. In the event of a score discrepancy, teams will be asked to compare scorebooks to see if a consensus can be reached. **If consensus cannot be reached both score books will be brought to the tournament director for a final decision. A signed score card is the official score of the game and cannot be disputed.**
13. **RUN LIMITS:** A 5 run limit per inning will apply.
14. There is **no infield warm-up** while the field crew is preparing the diamonds. Teams must also leave the diamond and dug-outs as soon as their game is finished. All team meetings must take place off the field.
15. Only coaches can approach tournament officials. Parents or individuals associated with any team Approaching a tournament official will not be tolerated and can lead to team disqualification.

16. Smoking, drinking, swearing by coaches, managers, or other team representative, including parents, on or near the playing field is not permitted and may be subject to immediate suspension.
17. In the event of rain-outs teams will be reimbursed the entire registration fee if all four games are cancelled. Half the fee will be reimbursed if three games are cancelled. Once two games are played there will be no tournament registration fees reimbursed to teams.
18. **Round Robin Scoring**
 - Win = 2 points
 - Tie = 1 point
 - Loss = 0 points.
19. At the completion of round robin play and/or the first play-off round, where applicable, the top teams will advance to the medal round. Placement will be determined as follows:
 - Points earned from wins/losses
 - Plus/Minus run totals to a maximum of 7 runs per game.
 - Plus/Minus bases touched totals to a maximum of 30 bases per game.
 - If still tied, then there will be a coin toss.
 - In case of a three way tie, there will be a random draw.