

LADY PATRIOTS 2023 TOURNAMENT RULE MODIFICATIONS

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES.

2023 USA/ASA RULES APPLY TO ALL GAMES.....**EXCEPT:**

- 1 **NO INTRNTL TIE BREAKER IN POOL PLAY. FOR BRACKET PLAY... ITB IN EFFECT**
- 2 **COIN TOSS FOR HOME TEAM IN POOL PLAY. BRACKET PLAY THE HIGHER SEED CHOOSES HOME/AWAY.**
- 3 **THE EXTRA HITTER (EH) PLAYING RULE OPTION: EVERY PLAYER ON YOUR TEAM (Sat and Sun) CAN HIT, AT ANY SPOT IN THE LINEUP. IF AN INJURY OCCURS, THAT HITTER'S SPOT WILL BE SKIPPED WITH NO PENALTY IN POOL PLAY. HOWEVER, IN BRACKET PLAY, THAT HITTER'S SPOT WILL RESULT IN AN OUT.**
- 4 **UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, POOL PLAY GAMES WILL BE 80 MINUTES, HOWEVER, NO NEW INNING WILL START AFTER 75 MINUTES. BRACKET PLAY WILL BE 80 MINUTES, FINISH THE INNING. CHAMPIONSHIPS, 90 MIN OR 7 INN.**

SEEDING CRITERIA:

1. Win/Loss
2. HEAD TO HEAD
3. RUNS AGAINST
4. COIN TOSS

If more than two teams are tied for seeding, then head to head is not used.

Ex:

team A: 1-1-1

team B: 1-1-1

team C: 1-1-1

head to head is not used.

IF TEAM USES THE DP/FLEX OPTION **AND** USE EH'S, DP/FLEX RULES STILL APPLY

EH PLAYERS : BAT IN ANY SPOT IN THE BATTING ORDER AND REMAIN THERE
MUST BE DECLARED AT START OF GAME WHEN LINE UP TURNED IN

EH PLAYERS: CAN GO IN AND OUT OF DEFENSE WITHOUT A SUBSTITUTION RECORDED

EH PLAYERS: CANNOT BE DROPPED FROM LINE UP DURING THE GAME. IF AN EH PLAYER IS INJURED & NO SUB AVAILABLE, AN OUT IS RECORDED IN HER BATTING SPOT

IF NON EH PLAYER IS INJURED OR LEAVES AND NO SUB AVAILABLE, EH CAN PLAY DEFENSE TO KEEP 9 ON FIELD, BUT OUT IS RECORDED WHEN THAT INJURED PLAYER'S BATTING SPOT COMES UP

IF TEAMS USE ALL BENCH PLAYERS AS EH PLAYERS, THEN THE COURTESY RUNNER FOR PITCHER AND CATCHER IS THE LAST RECORDED OUT

10u only: There is NO dropped third strike rule!

10u/12u only: NO metal spikes.