

FIRECRACKER 92 TOURNAMENT RULES

1. American Legion Rules apply with the following modifications:
 2. 7 inning games – 8 run rule after 5 innings with exception of Championship Game having 10 run rule after 5 innings. 12 run rule after 4 innings. Pitching limits: 12 innings every 3 days. All games will be played to their entirety including extra-inning games in pool play. There is no time limit. Games suspended after 5 innings will be official if the game cannot be finished that day.
 3. A coin toss to determine home team will take place before each game. Rochester teams will be the Home team in all pool play games.
 4. All coaches must be in uniform to coach in the coaches box (players & coaches ONLY in the coaches boxes)
 5. Teams must turn in a lineup card with first & last names of all players and the correct player number 20 minutes prior to game time.
 - 6. Designation Hitter may be used for the pitcher only**
 - 7. Courtesy runners are allowed (2015 CHANGE)**
 - 8. Re-entry is allowed (2015 CHANGE)**
 9. College slide rule will be in effect
 10. Pro trips to the mound – pitcher must be removed on the second trip to the mound of the inning.
 11. No malicious contact will be allowed by any runner against a fielder. (Umpire discretion) Runner will be out and ejected from the game.
 12. Tie Breakers:
 - a. Head to Head
 - b. Run Differential (Runs Scored – Runs Allowed)
 - c. Least Runs Allowed
 - d. Shutouts
 - e. Runs Scored
 - f. Coin Flip
- *** In regards to the championship game, the pool winners to advance will be determined by overall record first and if necessary be followed by the tiebreakers set out above*****
13. Each team will be allowed a 10-minute infield – Home team infield 25 minutes prior to the game –if time becomes a factor the tournament director may eliminate infield for both teams prior to a game starting.
 14. Wood bats and non-wood bats with the BBCOR certification are permitted.
 - 15. American Legion Baseball Code of Conduct is expected of all participants and will be enforced.**
- SPORTSMANSHIP & CONDUCT (RULE 7) – From the American Legion Baseball Rules**
- A. **Conduct.** Managers, coaches or players who, in the opinion of the department chairman or his representative, conduct themselves in an unsportsmanlike manner that would discredit this program may be removed by the department baseball committee. The department baseball committee's decision will be final.
 - B. **Heckling.** No player, coach, manager or other party associated with an American Legion Baseball team shall abuse, heckle or make uncomplimentary remarks to opposing players, team officials or umpires. The umpire shall immediately eject from the game any individuals violating this regulation.
 - C. **Sportsmanship.** Any player, coach, manager or other party accompanying a team will be ejected from the game from the time of the infraction, if they:
 1. Use profane language.
 2. Throw bats or other equipment.
 3. Make unnecessary or obscene gestures to umpires, fans or opposing players.
 4. Commit unnecessary roughness on the playing field.
 - D. **Reinstatement.** Any player, coach or manager suspended from a game in tournament play by an umpire for unsportsmanlike conduct is subject to suspension for the remainder of the tournament. The tournament director's/site directors decision is final.
 - E. **Ejection from the Ballpark.** Any player, coach or manager ejected by an umpire must leave the ballpark. Any player or coach ejected is open to further suspension at the discretion of the site director/tournament director.

16. Championship Site Selection for Rochester Teams

1. Rochester teams will discuss site of the Championship Site
2. If one team happens to be 4-0 and the other 3-1 the 4-0 team has rights to host game
3. If no decision can be made, the Rochester team with largest run differential will have first shot at hosting championship flight unless there is a Rochester team with a better record in pool play.
4. If not decided by run differential... least runs allowed would be the next tiebreaker, then shutouts, followed by runs scored will be used.. If necessary, a coin flip will decide the site if the other tiebreakers do not distinguish a site.