

Vernon Annual Fall Classic 12/14u Rules

REPORTING SCORES:

The winning team shall report game scores immediately after each game.

The faster we get the scores the faster the standings and Sunday's schedule can be updated.

Games will be reported using a Google Form and the links will be on our website.

GENERAL INFO (PLEASE READ IN FULL

- 1. You must check in 30 minutes prior to the first game at tournament HQ at Lounsberry Hollow School, and pick up the tournament packet and MVP medals.
- There will be MVP medals awarded to one player from each team after each game.
 (Saturday Only)
- 3. Maximum of 15 players on a roster.
- 4. There will be rings/awards for first and second place of each level, 8U, 10U, 12U & 14U
- 1. There will be no smoking or alcohol allowed on school grounds or public parks.
- 5. There is no infield warm-up prior to the game, no soft toss against the fences and no batting sticks in use during the games.
- 6. Please Clean Up dugout after each game.
- 7. Please vacate the dugouts ASAP after each game so next teams can get ready to play next
- 8. Our tournament and organization has a zero tolerance policy concerning the conduct of fans, players, and coaches. Violation of the policy will result in removal from the complex. Please remember that the tournament is for the girls!
- 9. Host Vernon Travel will supply all game balls. Please return game balls to the umpire after all games.

12U & 14U Rules -pitching distance for 12u is 40ft & 43ft for 14U

- 1. The home team is decided by a coin toss; the team that traveled the furthest calls coin toss.
- 2. Stealing of all bases is permitted.
- 3. Infield Fly rule is in effect
- 4. Drop third Strike is in effect
- 5. Continuation Rule in Effect
- 6. Lead on Release
- 7. Any Illegal pitch will be the judgment of the umpire
- 8. 9 Fielders- optional batting of 10 with the use of an Extra Hitter (EH). EH must be declared in the lineup prior to the start of the game and can be used as a free defensive substitution. Teams can bat in the Cinderella lineup, but it must be announced prior to the start of the game to the opposing coach and umpire. Teams must have a minimum of 8 players to start a game and may drop to 7 to continue playing a game.
- 9. If <u>Cinderella batting</u>, and a player must leave or gets injured during a game, as long as the team still has the minimum of 9 players, no penalty will occur, that player will just be skipped in the batting order. If a team drops to 8 or 7 players due to injury or for any other reason, an out will be charged for that batter(s) in the lineup.
- 10. Courtesy Runner for the pitcher and catcher in effect. Bench player or last batted out to be used. Bench players must be declared prior to the start of the game.
- 11. Only 6 Fielders are allowed in the infield before the ball is put into play.
- 12.12U Mercy rule-10 runs or more after 4 innings, 8 runs or more after 5 innings.

 14U Mercy rule is 12 after 4 innings, 10 after 5 innings and 8 after 6 innings
- 13.6 innings for 12U and 7 innings for 14U
- 14. Umpire is in charge of the game, all calls and decisions are final.
- 15. The home team has the official book including start time declared by the umpire; check with each other after each inning to avoid controversy.
- 16. Unless otherwise stated in the rules the games are governed by the Babe Ruth Rules.

17. The game times on Saturday / Round Robin Play only

 No new inning after 1 hour 10 minutes, and then Hard Stop at 1 hour 25min (finish batter). Games may end in a tie. If the inning is not completed, the score reverts to the previous completed inning score unless the home team has tied or taken the lead.

Sunday Single Elimination Playoffs:

Schedules should be up by 7:30pm on Saturday! The faster all scores are reported in, the faster the Sunday schedule can be posted!!

All teams make the single elimination playoff round on Sunday. Seeding for the playoffs will be determined on the following criteria for each division. Note: The online standings may not have this correct, so tournament director reserves the right to manually override system to make the standings correct by this criteria:

- 1. overall record
- 2. head to head (Head to Head is used only when a tie is between 2 teams, not 3 or more teams)
- 3. runs allowed
- 4. runs scored
- 5. coin toss to be called by the team who travels the furthest.
- All Day 2/playoff games, with the exception of the championship game, will be played with the following time limit: No new inning after 1 hour and 20 minutes. Inning will be played to completion. In the event of a tie, International TieBreaker rule is in effect. Mercy rules are in effect.
- Championship Games will be played to completion. No Time Limits.
 Mercy rules are in effect. International tiebreaker rule in effect.
 In the event the umpires call the game due to darkness the
 scores shall revert back to the previous completed inning unless
 the home team has taken the lead.