



May 30-31, 2009  
Wakefield Park  
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### Check in

All teams must check in with the Tournament Director at least ½ hour prior to your 1<sup>st</sup> game. At this check in you will get your team's packet with MVP awards.

### Tournament Team Managers

Managers or designee must carry with them proper birth certificates or other legal certification of birth, or legible photo static copies of same, medical release forms bearing the signature of the player's parent or legal Guardian, documentary evidence of accident insurance, preferably in the form of a certificate of insurance.

### Official 2009 NSA Fast Pitch rules apply except as noted

\* Time limit for all Saturday games - no new inning 1 hour 20 minutes. No NEW inning can start after that limit. A new inning starts immediately upon the recording of the third out in the bottom of the inning. Forfeit time is the scheduled game time unless playing conditions, weather, or other compelling conditions cause a delay or hastening of tournament play. All forfeits must be declared by the tournament director before becoming officially recorded. **Have your team ready to play 30 minutes prior to the scheduled game time.**

- Time limit for Sunday games will be no new inning after 1 hour 20 minutes. Games may not end in tie. ITB will be used (if needed).
- No Time limit for Championship games

\* All games will be subject to the Run Ahead Rule - NSA book rule: 12 runs after 3, 10 runs after 4 innings, and 8 runs after 5 innings.

\* Home team for all Saturday pool play games will be determined by a coin flip prior to the start of each game. Sunday's games will be higher seed has option of home or away, otherwise it will be determined by a coin flip. This rule includes

championship game as well.

\* NSA allows 2 Extra Players (EP), as well as a DH. NSA allows the DH to play defense. A courtesy runner is allowed for the catcher and pitcher at any time. **On Saturday only, Teams are allowed OPEN Defensive Substitutions.**

\* Each team will get one minute between innings and warm up balls are allowed in the infield and outfield.

\* No throwing the ball around the infield or outfield after an out is recorded.

\* All jewelry must be removed except for medical alert bracelets. Medical alert jewelry must be securely taped to the player.

**\* WINNING TEAMS MUST report the score immediately after the game to the Tournament Director or Field Director. If an incorrect score is reported, the Tournament Director may determine the incorrect score as Official**

**\*\*No Protests in Pool play. Protests must be settled before the END of the game in roster situations and BEFORE the next pitch in rule situations. You can NOT protest a judgment call. All protests must be announced to the home plate umpire with a \$75 protest fee in hand.**

\* The stoppage of play due to weather is the decision of the umpires and the Tournament Director. The Tournament Director will make adjustments to the schedule to get the tournament played if weather dictates so.

\* Each team is responsible for inspection of their equipment for safety. An umpire, at any time, may request to look at the equipment, should there be a concern. Please keep the girl's safety in mind at all times.

\* Awards

- **Saturday Pool Play Only:** Exchange "MVP" bag tags to one player on opposing team on Saturday games only.
- **Championship Round**
  - 10U 1st and 2nd place individual trophies & team trophy
  - 12U 1<sup>st</sup> and 2nd place individual trophies & team trophy
  - 14U 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place individual trophies & team trophy

**\*\* Every attempt will be made to honor all games, however if a situation develops and teams forfeit or the weather does not cooperate the Tournament Director will attempt to reschedule games, shorten games, and/or cancel games to complete the tournament. The Tournament is considered complete when 40% of the games have been played and trophies will be awarded to the winners based on the rule for breaking ties. **No refunds will be made after acceptance into this tournament. Teams who specifically request "late start games." may forfeit their right to meet this requirement in the event of inclement weather.****

### Tie Breaker Procedures for Seeding :

1. Average Total Points within Bracket : Win = 2 pts, Tie = 1 pt.
  2. Average Total Points Overall
  3. Head - to - Head Competition (if 2 way tie)
  4. Average Total Runs Allowed within bracket (max 10 runs in any game)
  5. Average Total Runs Scored within bracket (max 10 runs in any game)
  6. Average Total Runs Allowed overall
  7. Average Total Runs Scored overall
  8. Coin Flip
- Poor Sportsmanship will not be tolerated.
  - Let's keep it FUN and PLAY BALL! Teams are responsible for their fans. Should a fan get ejected, representing said team, that team may be subject to forfeiture under the discretion of the Umpire and Tournament Director or Field Director.
  - Teams could face forfeiture of game or possible ejection from the tournament for any flagrant act or improper sportsmanship by a player, coach, fan, or parent associated with that team, with NO REFUND.
  - Team Dugouts: During the game, only coaches and players are allowed in the dugouts.
  - Please help us keep the dugouts clean upon your team finishing the game by picking up any trash left by your team in that dugout.
  - PLEASE NOTE: Any player injury needs to be reported to the Official NSA tent.
  - **SMOKING IS PERMITTED ONLY IN PARKING LOT AREA.**

### Weather and Scheduling

- In the event of inclement weather, a message will be left on the rain line at 703-340-8370. Please have only one member of the team make the call-in, so the phones lines will not completely get tied up. In the event that the message is unclear as to your team's situation you may call the Tournament Director or alternate contact.
- Kevin Norris (Tournament Director) 571-641-5511.
- Cheri Norris (Co-Tournament Director) 540-729-8295
- Please check your email frequently and the night before, in the event information needs to be passed on: (ie... schedule changes, weather conditions, or conflicts.) Email will be the primary attempt to contact teams as quickly as possible. Make sure that the email address that you provided when you entered the tournament is valid. If staying at a hotel, please provide us with contact information after checking in on Friday.
- Forfeit time is game time; however the Tournament Director's discretion may be used if unique circumstances warrant otherwise.
- Teams must be prepared to play 30 minutes prior to the start time of the game. Otherwise forfeit may be declared.
- NSA National Weather Policy:
  - No games played- refund 75% of registration fee.
  - 1 game played- refund 50% of registration fee.
  - 2 games played- No refund