



NTX PREMIER BASEBALL TOURNAMENT & GAME RULES

GAME PLAY

- **1:45 game time limit for 12U-14U (home team will finish at bat if losing)**
1:30 game time limit for 9U-11U (home team will finish at bat if losing)
- **Run Rule: 10 after 4, 8 after 5**
- **Pool Games/Consolation Games CAN end in a tie if 7 innings are played and/or time has run out before the 3rd out of the bottom of the inning is made.**
- **Teams playing in the next scheduled games on each field need to be warming up and ready to start ASAP.**
- **Cages are available. Please limit your cage time to 20 minutes per team if other teams are standing by waiting for cage time.**
- **Mound distances:**
 - **14u will be set to 60' 6" for the duration of the league.**
 - **13u will be set to 54' for the duration of the league.**
 - **12u and 11u will be set to 50' for the duration of the league.**
- **Bases distances:**
 - **14u will be set to 90' for the duration of the league.**
 - **13u will be set to 80' for the duration of the league.**
 - **12u and 11u will be set to 70' for the duration of the league.**
- **Bat as many players as you like, use a DH if you would like, keep the batting order the same.**
- **Pitcher can DH for himself and remain in the game as the DH when no longer pitching.**
- **EH's can sub freely on defense.**
- **Mandatory courtesy run for the catcher AND for the pitcher.**

- **Courtesy runner is the last batter to make an out or a sub if not batting the entire lineup.**
- **Meet with the opposing coach prior to the game to discuss other considerations to agree upon. Be sure that the umpires are aware of any agreed upon game rules.**
- **Coin flip for home and visitor prior to all games.**
- **Teams must provide game balls. Acceptable game balls include:**
 - **ProNine NFHS (or better)**
 - **Diamond (D1 or better)**
 - **Wilson A1010HS1 (or better)**
 - **Rawlings NFHS, ROLB1 (or better)**
- **Bats rules:**
 - **14u: drop 5 with 1.15BPF OR drop 3 BBCOR OR wood.**
 - **13u: USSSA Rules, OR drop 5 with 1.15BPF OR drop 3 BBCOR OR wood.**
 - **12u and 11u: must have 1.15 BPF stamp**
 - **Any bats that are banned by UIL, Perfect Game, or USSSA are illegal for league play.**
 - **For use of an illegal bat will result in the following:**
 - **First team offense = player immediately called out**
 - **Second team offense = player and head coach ejected from the game**
 - **Third team offense = team forfeiture of all games and removal from the tournament**
- **TEAMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR RETRIEVING FOUL BALLS ON THEIR SIDE.**
- **SLIDE RULE: RUNNERS MUST GO DOWN (SLIDE DIRECTLY TO BASE), OR GIVE UP ANY BASE (INCLUDING HOME PLATE), ON A DOUBLE PLAY OR ATTEMPTED TAG WHEN THE FIELDER HAS THE BALL IN POSSESSION. IF THE PLAYER LOWERS HIS SHOULDER (IN THE UMPIRE'S JUDGEMENT) GOING INTO A FIELDER, THE PLAYER WILL BE CALLED "OUT" AND EJECTED FROM THE GAME.**
- **90 SECONDS AND FIVE WARMUP PITCHES BETWEEN INNINGS. PLEASE KEEP THE GAME MOVING AT A REASONABLE PACE!!! NCAA RULE**

General Stadium/Field Rules

Concessions:

Some Venues Have Concessions And Will Not Allow In Outside Food In! **If Concessions Are Unavailable Then Outside Coolers Will Be Allowed.**

Gate Fee:

Gate fees are \$7 per person per day at Railroader Stadium & All other fields.

*****Please note Railroader Stadium has a CLEAR BAG Policy!**

Dugouts:

Clean Dugouts After Your Games And All Trash Picked Up.

No Seeds Or Tobacco At Fields!! **[See Next Page!]**

Turf Fields/Mounds:

No Metal Spikes On Any Turf Fields & Mounds At Any Field! **[See Next Page!]**

Inclement Weather:

Refunds Due Inclement Weather Is Up To The Discretion Of The Tournament Staff (3 Game Guarantee). All Updates Will Be Posted On The Tournament Website/Tourney Machine/NTX Premier Baseball Twitter And Text Messages Will Be Send Out to coaches.

Parking:

Parking must be in designated parking spots with lines. Do not park on any grass areas or drive over/"hop" any curbs to park your vehicle. Your vehicle maybe subject to being towed from the venue. Railroader Stadium parking is the S.E. Parking lot. Do not park in the administration side "3B side", loading zone areas, grass areas or outfield areas. Please be aware of foul balls, NTX Premier Baseball Tournaments and venues are not responsible for any damages to vehicles. Godley HS parking is behind the football stadium NOT by the school.

NTX Premier Tournaments Coaches/Fans/Player Conduct:

1. No Metal Spikes On Any Turf By A Player At Any Field/Mound.

[The Coach Is Given One Warning Then The Player Is Ejected Or The Coach Is Ejected... At The Umpires Discretion]

2. No Seeds in The Dugouts At Any Field!

[The Player Is Ejected Or The Coach Is Ejected If Seen Spitting Or Having Seeds On Hand Including Spitting Into A Cup/Bottle... Umpires Discretion and the Team Will Be Charged a \$500 Clean Up Fee]

3. Fan/Spectator Conduct (Coaches Are Responsible For Fan's Conduct) **[The Coach Is Given One Warning Then Ejected If Problem Persists... At The Tournament Directors/Umpires Discretion]**

GAME DISRUPTION In the interest of the game, the participants, and everyone involved, there will be increased discipline and zero tolerance against game disruption, violence, and verbal abuse - **NO ONE WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THIS POLICY.** Violent behavior by player, coach, or spectator is grounds for dismissal from the event. **GAME DISRUPTION** includes but is not limited to, verbal abuse of the umpire, badgering the opposing team, violence on the field, dug out, stands, or walking on the field without the permission of the umpire, or any other act that tournament officials feel is inappropriate. This also includes any action –verbal or physical-towards staff: Fans are not to be disrespectful to any tournament staff/gate workers/field operations/umpires/coaches/players! If, during the course of a game, tournament staff or umpire determines that verbal abuse or inappropriate conduct disrupts the game, the umpire can opt to take action against the team(s) disrupting.

The following actions may take place, not necessarily in this order or in its entirety:

- A warning may be given to the coach
- The person(s) disrupting may be asked to leave the ball field
- The coach(es) may be ejected from the game and /or the ball field
- The game may be determined a forfeit by the umpire

[Protocol: If a Fan Has an Issue, the Fan Needs To Address The Situation With Their Coach And Then Tournament Staff Will Meet With The Coach over the issue] **FANS ARE NOT TO CONTACT THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS, only Coaches! If this happens, the fan/fans will be asked to leave immediately without refund.**

Anything Further After Ejections Will Result In Removal From Current NTX Premier Tournament And any future NTX Premier Events.