

WNSL League Tournament Notes and Reminders

Format—All Age Groups

Other than the Majors I Age Group, all age groups will be playing a Modified Double-Elimination format. That means that once the bracket reaches the final game (one team with one loss and one team with no losses), that game will be the final game. The team with no losses will have the option of batting first or second.

For Majors I, each team will play two pool play games, with the top team advancing into the Gold Bracket and the remaining teams advancing to the Silver Bracket.

Rookies Age Group

1. All games will be played using an 80 minute time limit (no new inning after 80 minutes unless the score is tied). The new inning begins as soon as the last out is made from the previous inning. In the event of extra innings being played, the batting team will begin with a runner at second base (last batter to bat in the previous inning.)
2. A team may play with one less player than called for. Therefore, it is a legal game if a team plays with nine players. If a team has less than nine players at the start of the game, the game should be played, but the other team advances in the bracket regardless of the score. Similarly, only rostered (registered) players for your team are eligible to participate in the tournament. If it is necessary to use a fill-in, the opposing coach and league officials must approve, and the other team will advance in the bracket regardless of the score of the game.
3. Home team will be determined by a coin flip for each game other than the Championship game. In that game, the team advancing from the Winners Bracket will have the choice of batting first or second.
4. All other regular-season rules will be in effect. Cal Ripken rules will prevail if anything is not covered in the League rules.

Minors and Majors Age Groups

1. All games will be played using an 90 minute time limit (no new inning after 90 minutes unless the score is tied). The new inning begins as soon as the last out is made from the previous inning. In the event of extra innings being played, the batting team will begin with a runner at second base (last batter to bat in the previous inning.)
2. A team may play with one less player than called for. Therefore, it is a legal game if a team plays with eight players. If a team has less than eight players at the start of the game, the game should be played, but the other team advances in the bracket regardless of the score. Similarly, only rostered (registered) players for your team are eligible to participate in the tournament. If it is necessary to use a fill-in, the opposing coach and league officials must approve, and the other team will advance in the bracket regardless of the score of the game.
3. Home team will be determined by a coin flip for each game other than the Championship game. In that game, the team advancing from the Winners Bracket will have the choice of batting first or second.

4. Coaches and umpires are encouraged to keep the game moving between innings. Teams should get their catcher out quickly (or, a coach can warm-up the pitcher). Unless there is a pitching change, a maximum of 1-minute between innings is our goal.

5. Pitching Regulations—A Pitcher may pitch a maximum of 75 pitches in a Day for Minors and 85 pitches in a day for Majors. If 1-40 pitches are made, 0 days rest is needed for the pitcher to again pitch. If 41-65 pitches are made, then 1 full day of rest is required. If 66+ pitches are made, 2 full days of rest is required.

Examples: A pitcher who pitches 40 pitches on Saturday would be eligible to pitch again on Sunday. A pitcher who pitches 65 pitches on Saturday would be eligible to pitch again on Monday. A pitcher who pitches 66 or more pitches on Saturday would be eligible to pitch again on Tuesday. The base umpire will keep the official count of the pitches and will consult with both coaches after each half-inning.

6. All other regular-season rules will be in effect. Cal Ripken rules will prevail if anything is not covered in the League rules.