



# 2017 Waupun “Future Varsity” 14U Tournament

Sponsored by the Waupun Softball Association

Games will be played with a 12", WIAA Approved softball.

Coaches are responsible to insure their team cleans up the dugout and surrounding area after each game

## **WIAA rules apply with the following modifications:**

1. **All players must be 14 years of age or younger as of January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017** If an ineligible player has been found to have played in any game the team using said player will be removed from the tournament, forfeit all games played and be given no refund of tournament fees.
2. Home team in pool play games will be determined by coin toss by the game umpires 10 minutes prior to games.
3. Home team is responsible for providing the official scorekeeper and turning the scores into the tournament director (concession stand) immediately after the game is completed.
4. You will bat your entire roster and have unlimited defensive substitutions. No DP/Flex option.
5. Games are scheduled for 80 minutes or 7 innings in length.
  - Pool Play – No new inning may begin after 80 minutes. New innings started will allow both the visitor and home team to bat unless the home team has the lead. Games can end in a tie with each team earning ½ win and ½ loss.
  - Bracket Play – International tie-breaker method will be used when the score is tied after 7 innings or upon completion of an inning after the 80 minute time limit. Extra innings will be played until a winner is declared.
6. All games will have a run rule. Games will end when the home team reaches the following run spreads after the given inning stated.
  - 4 innings – 15 run lead
  - 5 innings – 10 run lead
7. The Scoreboards all have a timer and will be used as long as a volunteer is willing to run them. Volunteers from either team will be asked to run the scoreboard. If no volunteers are found then the time will be kept by the one of the umpires on the field. Note that the hand held remotes are very easy to use and learn.
8. The on-deck batter **MUST** be positioned at the batters back side.
9. Sliding is not mandatory per WIAA and this is our interpretation of such rule for this tournament... Sliding is not mandatory but is suggested. When a runner creates malicious contact and/or interference with any fielder with or without the ball, in or out of the base line the runner is out and any other runners must return to the base touched at the time of such action. This is not an appealable action and will be decided by the umpire covering such action.

10. There will be no penalty for a player who leaves the game due to injury. A courtesy runner can be used for an injured player. The player will be the last player to have made an out in the same inning or previous inning. Once a player is skipped in the batting order due to an injury she cannot return during that game and no out will be recorded when that spot comes up in the batting order.
11. If a player leaves the game for any other reason other than injury an out will be recorded when that player's spot comes up in the batting order for that game.
12. A courtesy runner can be used for the catcher or pitcher at any time in the inning. The courtesy runner will be the player who made the last out in the inning or previous inning.
13. Any minors who coach bases must also wear helmets.
14. Seeding will determine the home team in bracket play. All the way through the Championship game.
15. Championship games will not have a time limit.
16. All umpire and tournament director's decisions are final. No protests will be considered.
17. Tournament Director reserves the right to shorten the tournament by shortening game time or number of innings or number of pool play games for weather considerations. No refunds will be given once the tournament has started. A Champion can be named and awards given out without the tournament finishing. All scores and records will be tallied and seeded in order to determine the tournament placing if weather shortens the tournament schedule.