

2018 Cardinal Classic Tournament Rules

1. This tournament offers berths to the MOA Nationals or NAFA Nationals. Top team in Gold and Silver will earn national tournament berths.
2. All teams **MUST** submit completed rosters. Coached must turn in their Roster and cell phone # to the Tournament Director or director's agent at check-in, 30 minutes prior to your first game. **All teams must supply 2 Dudley SB-11 (10U) or SB-12 (12U) balls at check-in as well.**
3. Tournament is Pool Play on Friday and Saturday to Bracket Play on Sunday. **Pool Standings** will be determined by win-loss record. First tie-breaker will be the teams record, second head-to-head competition; third tie-breaker will be least runs allowed; 4th tie-breaker will run differential ; final tie-breaker will be coin toss.
4. Pool play games may end in a tie. Bracket games will require a winner. Games tied at the end of seven innings or tied at the end of the time limit will go into the international rule tie-breaker in Bracket games only.
5. A coin flip home and visiting teams in all games. Home team will keep official score book and is responsible for ensuring umpire has official score.
6. Any team not on the field and ready to play within five minutes of their game start time will forfeit the game, unless of a previous game delay or other tournament-related delays. Teams **MUST** start with at least 9 players, but can finish a game with 8 players.
7. All protests will be settled on the field. Umpire decisions are final. No appeals will be allowed to the tournament director. Tournament rule modifications/interpretations and bracket modifications, if necessary, will reside with the Tournament Director only.
8. In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances the tournament director has the right to adjust the format of this event. All parties will be duly notified via updates at <https://www.coonrapidsfastpitch.com/page/show/2713756-tournament>.
9. We will be posting the bracket pairings as soon as we get all of the scores in from the teams in your pool. Check at the tournament tent/table at your complex for updates for pool play. If you have to leave before the brackets are set, make arrangements with the tournament director at your location to contact later in the day for results.
10. Tournament Director Zach Nienaber will be available both days. You can reach his cell phone at 763-258-7132.
11. CRFA as the Tournament Host is not responsible for any injuries or any costs associated with any injuries occurred during/at the Tournament.
12. **Ejections:** Any player, coach or spectator ejected from a game shall be ejected for all remaining games during the tournament.

14U Rules

1. Games will be seven innings in length with time limits. No new inning will start after 65 minutes. International Tie-breaker rule will be invoked if game is tied after regulation innings and time limit has not been reached. Pool play games can end in a tie if time runs out.

2. Run Rule: **NO RUN RULE IN 14u**

3. Must bat all players, with open substitution, during both pool and bracket play.

4. Pitching distance will be 43 feet.

5. Courtesy runner (last out or last player to bat this inning) may be used for the pitcher or catcher.

12U Rules

1. Games will be seven innings in length with time limits. No new inning will start after 65 minutes. International Tie-breaker rule will be invoked if game is tied after regulation innings and time limit has not been reached. Pool play games can end in a tie if time runs out.

2. Run Rule: 5 run limit per half inning in both Pool and Silver Bracket and Bronze Bracket play. **NO RUN RULE IN GOLD BRACKET**

3. Must bat all players, with open substitution, during both pool and bracket play.

4. Pitching distance will be 40 feet.

5. Courtesy runner (last out or last player to bat this inning) may be used for the pitcher or catcher.

10U Rules

1. Games will be seven innings in length with time limits. No new inning will start after 65 minutes. International Tie-breaker rule will be invoked if game is tied after regulation innings and time limit has not been reached. Pool play games can end in a tie if time runs out.

2. Run Rule: 5 run limit per half inning in both Pool and Bracket play.

3. Must bat all players, with open substitution, during both pool and bracket play.

4. 10U will follow National rules (same as all other age levels) as adopted by B divisions in Big West play this year. Pitching distance is 35 feet and will use an 11-inch ball. Runners can steal home. Runners may advance to first on a dropped third strike, unless first base is occupied (sans two outs).

5. Courtesy runner (last out or last player to bat this inning) may be used for the pitcher, catcher or injured player

Additional Information

- Concessions will be available. We will have a great selection of food and drink for your purchase and it does take credit cards.
- There will be T-Shirts available to buy from a vendor.
- Please be considerate when parking. Also lock your vehicles and do not leave valuables inside.
- Please be respectful to the facilities. We ask that you not hit into the fences. Teams can warm-up outside of the fences on each field.