

USA SOFTBALL TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

10/U, 12/U, 14/U

GOLD AND SILVER RULES

10/U, 12/U, 14/U: Pool Play Rules

All pool games will be used for seeding in the bracket. All teams must participate in pool play.

Each game will be 1 hour finish the inning.

Run limit is six (6) runs per each half inning.

There will be no tie-breaker. Games that do not determine a winner after 7 innings or when time runs out will end in a tie.

The top half of teams will play in the Gold Bracket.

The bottom half of teams will play in the Silver Bracket.

Points System for Seeds:

- a. 10 points for a win
- b. 3 points for a tie
- c. 2 points for a shutout
- d. 1 point for each run you score (max 8 runs count per game)
- e. Maximum number of points per game is 20

Tie in points will be determined using the following:

- a. Head to Head if the teams tied played each other
- b. least runs allowed
- c. coin flip

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10/U Silver: Bracket Rules

10/U Silver Division- A player's age as of December 31st of the current year.

Nine players on the field-May start with 8

Base Distance 60 feet-Double Base to be used at first.

Pitching Distance/35 feet.

Game Time limit-Seven (7) innings or 1 hour and 20 minutes. (No new inning may start after time limit is up, unless the game is tied).

Infield Fly Rule is in effect.

Helmets with NOCSA approved Face Guards are required for batters and Base Runners.

Softball- 11 inch.

Illegal pitch will be called

Third strike rule: Not in Effect. Batter cannot advance on dropped third strike

Run limit is 6 runs per each half inning.

Base Stealing is allowed to Third base.

- a. On a base on balls, batter/runner is allowed 1st base only.
- b. Runners starting at first base are entitled to steal one (1) base only, per pitch, with liability to be put out.
- c. A runner, attempting to advance beyond the one base they are entitled to steal, may be put out while between bases. A runner cannot be put out while in sole contact with a base.

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- d. After all play ceases, and the ball becomes dead, if the runner occupied a base beyond the one the runner is entitled to steal, the runner will be returned to the correct base without liability to be put out.
- e. A runner may advance from third base, only by the following:
 - 1. Illegal Pitch
 - 2. Hit ball
 - 3. Forced Walk
 - 4. Dead ball

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12/U Silver: Bracket Rules

12/U Silver Division- A player's age as of December 31st of the current year.

Nine players on the field-May start with 8

Base Distance 60 feet-Double Base to be used at first.

Pitching Distance/40 feet.

Game Time limit-Seven (7) innings or 1 hour and 20 minutes. (No new inning may start after time limit is up, unless the game is tied).

Infield Fly Rule is in effect.

Helmets and NOCSA approved Face Guards are required for batters and Base Runners.

Softball- 12 inch.

Illegal pitch will be called

Run limit is 6 runs per each half inning.

Base Stealing is allowed

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14/U Silver: Bracket Rules

14/U Silver Division- A player's age as of December 31st of the current year.

Nine players on the field-May start with 8

Base Distance 60 feet-Double Base to be used at first.

Pitching Distance/43 feet.

Game Time limit-Seven (7) innings or 1 hour and 20 minutes. (No new inning may start after time limit is up, unless the game is tied).

Infield Fly Rule is in effect.

Helmets and NOCSA approved Face Guards are required for batters and Base Runners.

Softball- 12 inch.

Illegal pitch will be called

Run limit is 6 runs per each half inning.

Base Stealing is allowed.

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10/U Gold: Bracket Rules

10/U Gold Division- A players' age as of December 31st of the current year.

Nine Players on the Field- May start with 8.

Base Distance 60 feet- Double Base to be used at 1st.

Pitching Distance/ 35 feet.

Game Time Limit- Seven (7) Innings or 1 hour and 20 minutes. (No new inning may start after time limit is up, unless the game is tied).

Infield Fly Rule is in effect.

Helmets and NOCSA approved Face Guards are required for Batters and Base Runners.

Softball- 11 inch.

Illegal pitch will be called.

Third Strike Rule: Is in effect, Batter may run, ball is live.

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12/U Gold: Bracket Rules

12/U Gold Division- A players' age as of December 31st of the current year.

Nine Players on the Field- May start with 8.

Base Distance 60 feet- Double Base to be used at 1st.

Pitching Distance/ 40 feet.

Game Time Limit- Seven (7) Innings or 1 hour and 20 minutes. (No new inning may start after time limit is up, unless the game is tied).

Infield Fly Rule is in effect.

Helmets and NOCSA approved Face Guards are required for Batters and Base Runners.

Softball- 12 inch.

Illegal pitch will be called.

Third Strike Rule: Is in effect, Batter may run, ball is live.

Time Limit will be 1hr and 20 min's. If and Championship Game No Time Limit.

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14/U Gold Division- A players' age as of December 31st of the current year.

Nine Players on the Field- May start with 8.

Base Distance 60 feet- Double Base to be used at 1st.

Pitching Distance/ 43 feet.

Game Time Limit- Seven (7) Innings or 1 hour and 20 minutes. (No new inning may start after time limit is up, unless the game is tied).

Infield Fly Rule is in effect.

Helmets and NOCSA approved Face Guards are required for Batters and Base Runners.

Softball- 12 inch.

Illegal pitch will be called.

Third Strike Rule: Is in effect, Batter may run, ball is live.

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