

# Afrim's Sports Complex

## Summer Softball Tournaments

**AFRIM'S**  
SPORTS  
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### GENERAL RULES

1. Although we all love our pets, **PETS are NOT allowed at the facility at any time.** Any pets brought to the facility will be required to be removed.
2. **PLEASE HELP USE MAINTAIN THE QUALITY OF OUR FIELDS:** when going through your warm-ups, especially for hitting stations and pitchers, **please** keep moving them around slightly, so as to help protect the turf and maintain the quality of the fields – Thank you.
3. **Umpires:** Each team will pay cash to the umpires at the pre-game meeting before the start of each game. For the standard 2 umpires per game, each team pays the umpires \$65 cash per game (\$75 for the Championship Game). (no checks or CC). If circumstances dictate only a single umpire, each team pays \$50.

4. **Seedings for Sunday's Single Elimination rounds** will be emailed to the team contacts approximately a half hour following the completion of the last Pool Play game. Please check your email. If you have not received your seedings by 7:00 PM, please call the Dome AFTER 8:00 PM at (518) 743-1086.  
\*\*\*\* Seedings will be given to coaches only, and **NOT** to parents who call in. \*\*\*\*

5. **Sneakers and Turf Shoes** – all players need to have sneakers or turf shoes with them. In the event that any games are moved into the Dome, the allowed footwear when playing in the Dome is sneakers or turf shoes **only. NO cleats**
6. Each team is responsible for providing their own first-aid supplies. Ice for injuries can be provided at the Dome Grill.
7. **Pets** are not allowed on any part of the Adirondack Sports Complex facilities.
8. No soft-toss, or hitting of any kind, into any backstops or fencing.
9. Teams are responsible for cleaning out their dugout at the conclusion of each game. Your help is appreciated.
10. Game balls will be returned to the umpires upon the conclusion of each game.
11. Smoking and alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the site.
12. The Adirondack Sports Complex assumes no responsibility for any injuries or accidents to any player, spectator, team, or team player.
13. **NO Warm Up** of any kind in front of or around the dugouts. Warm up in the outfield areas only.

### TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Format** for the tournament is three games of Pool Play to Seeded Single Elimination Brackets.
2. **Game times** – teams should be prepared to start play up to 15 minutes ahead of the scheduled game time
3. **The current USSSA Softball Rules will apply**, unless expressly modified by this document.
4. **Approved Bats:** Both currently approved USSSA and ASA/USA bats are allowed.
5. **In all Pool Play and Single Elimination games**, lineups must be per the USSSA rulebook, including the options for use of 1) Roster Batting, or 2) up to two Additional Players (AP) and/or the DP / Flex.
6. **Time limits:**
  - **Pool Play games** – no new inning will start after 1 hour and 20 minutes. If tied after 7 innings and there is still time remaining, the International Tiebreaker will be used. Pool play games may end in a tie.

- **Single elimination games** – no new inning will start after 1 hour and 20 minutes, except for the championship game, which will have no time limit. If necessary, the International Tie Breaker will be used after seven innings or at the completion of the inning in which the 1 hour 20 minute time limit is reached. Stalling will not be tolerated and may result in another inning being played. Umpire's judgment is FINAL.
7. **Warm-up pitches** – Five (5) warm-up pitches are allowed in the 1<sup>st</sup> inning and three (3) for all other innings.
  8. **Roster batting** may be used and must be declared prior to the start of the game, and all players physically present must be listed in the batting order. The team must use roster batting for the full duration of the game.
  9. **Courtesy runners** will be allowed for the pitcher and catcher. For all games, any player can be used as a courtesy runner. If this player is on base when it is their time at bat then the runner they are running for is out and the courtesy runner will be removed from the base to take their turn at bat.
  10. **Dead Ball Area** will be the area beyond the extended fence lines that runs parallel and outside the first and third base lines. Dead Ball awards will be per book rule.
  11. **Home Team** during pool play will be determined by a coin toss. The higher seed will have their choice of home or visitor during Sunday's single-elimination play.
  12. **Score Reporting** – the home team official shall report the final game score to the Tournament Director, or to the Dome Grill manager. The home and visiting teams shall verify the final score before leaving the field.
  13. **Official Book** - The home team will be the official book. It is the responsibility of the visiting team to confirm the score during the course of the game. All Managers are responsible for checking and confirming their team's scores and standings before leaving the complex.
  14. **Run Rule** will be 12 runs after 3 innings (2 ½ if the Home Team is ahead), 10 runs after 4 innings (3 ½ if the Home Team is ahead), and 8 runs after 5 innings (4 ½ if the Home Team is ahead).
  15. **Forfeit Score** will be 7–0, game time is forfeit time.
  16. **Seedings** for Sunday are determined by:
    - Record
    - Head to head (provided each of the tied teams have played each other)
    - Least runs allowed
    - Most runs scored
    - Coin toss
  17. **“Extra Game”**- on occasions when there is an odd number of teams in a division, a team may volunteer to play an additional Pool Play game in order that all other teams have their full complement of Pool Play games. For the team playing the “additional” or “extra game”, the points for the Pool Play game with their worst result will be dropped. The order of relevance for determining their worst game will be 1) a loss vs. a win, 2) the game with the most runs allowed, and then 3) the game with the fewest runs scored. In addition, the results for all of their opponents, including the “additional” or “extra game”, will stand, as well as all potential tie-breaker implications, including head-to-head results.
  18. **Protests** on any issue other than an umpire's judgment will require a \$50 cash fee. Protests on an umpire's judgment will not be allowed and no fee will be accepted. Protests on rule or procedural interpretations during a game must be made before the next pitch and will be decided upon before the game is allowed to continue. Protests on rules/procedures that occur at the end of the game must be made before the next game begins on that field. Protests on player eligibility must be made before either team starts their next game and will be decided upon before either team continues play. The protest committee will consist of the tournament director, and tournament UIC, or any of their designees. If the protest is upheld the \$50 will be refunded. If the protest is denied the fee will be forfeited.
  19. Pool Play Games may have one umpire, and Sunday's Single Elimination games will have two umpires.
  20. **Tournament Director** reserves the right to adjust the rules, schedules, brackets, and field locations as needed to complete the tournament. Every attempt will be made to honor the game minimum – however, if a situation develops where a team forfeits or the weather does not cooperate, the Tournament Director will make an attempt to reschedule games, shorten games, or cancel games in order to complete the tournament in a timely fashion. The tournament may be considered complete if 40% of the games are played.