



Dear Coaches & Managers:

We welcome you and your team to Elk Grove, California!

Please note we will be using the following fields:

Bartholomew Sports Complex: Whitelock Pkwy & Franklin High Rd, Elk Grove, CA

Laguna Community Park: Bruceville Rd & Big Horn Blvd, Elk Grove, CA

Below are some of the general rules that apply to our tournament locations. General rules may vary depending on your location. Directions to the fields can be found on our website, www.nsacal.com.

1. **GATE FEE:** There will be a daily gate fee at all gates as follows: \$5 per adult, \$3 for kids, ages 8-17 and \$3 for seniors (55+). There is no charge for the players and up to 3 coaches per team. Gate fee paid per day will be good at all sites for that day.
2. **ICE CHEST & OUTSIDE FOOD/DRINKS:** The Bartholomew Sports Complex has a full-service snack bar. As a result, food and drinks might be prohibited inside the complex.
3. **NO SMOKING:** There is no smoking allowed in the bleacher and snack bar area at all sites. Smoking is only allowed at designated smoking areas outside the gated complex and away from the fields of play. Thank you for being considerate of this rule.
4. **NO ALCOHOL:** No alcohol is allowed at any of the fields and parking lots.
5. **NO SCOOTERS, ROLLER BLADES, SKATEBOARDS, BIKES, BASKETBALLS, ETC:** These items are not allowed inside the park. This rule is in place for safety reasons.
6. **PLEASE LEAVE PETS AT HOME:** No pets, even on a leash, are allowed inside the park at any time. The only exception is for legal guide or companion dogs.
7. **PLEASE KEEP THE AREA CLEAN:** Please do your part to keep the parks clean of garbage and debris. Team Managers will be responsible for all persons, including players and coaches, as well as spectators associated with their teams. Thank you for your support to make this possible.
8. **LOCK YOUR VEHICLES:** Do not leave valuables in sight. Like other cities, Elk Grove parking lots have occasional vehicle break-ins. These mainly occur when valuables or items of interest are within view. Although we try to monitor the activity in our parking lots, they are not secure. Please report any suspicious activity to the Tournament Director.
9. **WARM UPS:** Warm ups are allowed in the grass areas between the fields, deep against the outfield fences, with approval of the plate umpire for that field. No hitting balls into any of the fences. No warm ups on the interior of the infield during field prep. The crew will let you know when they are done.
10. **CLEAN UP:** You are responsible for cleaning up after yourselves at the warm ups areas and on the field (dugouts).

11. GAME RULES:

- 5 up run rule will be enforced for the 10U division;
- Run rule will be enforced per the NSA rulebook, including the championship games. Forfeits are a score of 7 – 0;
- Run Rule is as follows : 12 after 3, 10 after 4, and 8 after 5;
- In the NSA, teams are allowed to bat their entire line up and still have defensive of 9 players. If you start the game batting 11th, you must finish the game batting 11th;
- Twin Players: Any 2 players may be designated as “TWIN PLAYERS.” This designation must be made at the pre-game meeting. Write both names on one line of the line-up card, or write them on two lines with the word “TWIN PLAYERS” before their names. The “TWIN PLAYERS” are interchangeable. The “TWIN PLAYERS” occupy 1 slot in the batting order and are locked for the duration of the game. One can replace the other on offense (batting-running) at any time and as often as desired without being a substitution. Any 9 players in the line-up can play defense (The “TWIN PLAYERS” can play defense at the same time). There is no requirement that a “TWIN PLAYER” play on offense or defense;
- All substitutes must be reported to the umpire;
- Pool Play: A coin flip will determine the home team;
- Home team will be the official scorekeeper. Home Plate umpire is responsible for keeping the runs and confirming every ½ inning with both scorekeepers. The Home Plate umpire is also responsible for turning in the final score sheet to the tournament director;
- Game Times/Time Limits: Saturday - No new inning after 75 minutes; Sunday - No new inning after 75 minutes and 90 minutes for Championships;
- Game time is forfeit time. Must have 8 players to start the game;
- All coaches are expected to control their respective teams and fans during the tournament;
- Rule and / or player protest requires a \$100 cash bond per question payable in advance by the protesting team. The money will be returned if the protest is upheld. The umpire-in-chief and / or the tournament director will make the final rulings;
- Championship Seeding for single elimination will be determined by points from win/loss/tie record (3 points for every win, 1 point for a tie), head to head, runs allowed, runs scored and run differential, in that order. If more than two teams are tied with the same record head to head will not apply. If a team is playing an extra pool game the win/loss and runs for and against will not be counted toward the team’s total. The results of the win/loss head to head will count if the tie occurs between those two teams unless more than two are tied with the same record; and
- Championship Bracket Games: Higher seed will choose either to be HOME or VISITOR.

As Manager and /or Head Coach, you will be responsible for all actions pertaining to your team and team spectators. General rules have been posted on our website and you have had ample time to review them with your players’ parents. We will address any situation directly with you if they should arise.

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sunday brackets will be posted online at NSACAL.com