



NATIONAL QUALIFIER GAME PLAY RULES

1. Tournament will be governed by National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) rules. Pitching exception- No step back allowed before forward stride.
2. Coaches must check in prior to their first game inside the dome entrance. Gate wristbands for up to 3 coaches.
3. Exhibition/Showcase play- 70min. Drop dead- bat roster option
4. Bracket play- 7 innings w/ ITB in 8th
5. All coaches must turn in a copy of the official PGF roster and team insurance certificate.
6. At check-in all coaches must show proof of a PGF background check.
7. Teams must be ready to play 30mins. prior to scheduled time.
8. Coin toss will determine home team throughout tournament.
9. Run-Rule- 10 after 4 - 8 after 5 - 6 after 6.
10. Tie Breaker - Pool play – Drop dead 70min. Bracket play- the ITB will be used after 7 innings with the last completed at bat starting at 2nd base each inning until there is a winner. There is no count.
11. Courtesy runner- per National Federation High School Associations (NFHS)
12. Team managers must maintain contact with tournament director at all times. LSSC reserves the right to alter the tournament format due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.
13. Any forfeited games shall be scored 7-0.
14. Home team will be the official scorekeeper.
15. New collegiate speed up rules will be used to keep schedules moving:
 - 1.) No huddling behind pitcher's mound after an out. Players are still allowed to throw the ball around but will not be allowed to congregate behind the pitcher's mound after the out. First offense is a friendly reminder. Second offense is a team warning. Third offense is head coach being restricted to the dugout.
 - 2.) 90 second time limit between half innings. At 60 seconds, base umpire will issue warning to both teams that 30 seconds are remaining. After 90 seconds a ball or strike will be issued to batter depending on who is not ready. Note: leniency will be given to catcher if she was last out or was running bases when last out was announced. However, if catcher is changing an alternative player or coach is needed to warm up the pitcher.
 - 3.) The existing 20 second rule in the Federation Handbook will be enforced for pitchers
 - 4.) Batters will be required to keep one foot in the batter box. Again, this is an existing rule, but it has rarely been enforced in the past.
 - 5.) Umpires will use discretion to limit the amount of defensive player time outs if we feel that the amount of excessive or unwarranted.



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Protests to be handled on the field by the UIC of that site, a tournament official and the Umpire who made the call, there will be a \$100 protest fee to be returned if the protest is upheld.

Facility Rules

- **No metal cleats.** All other footwear is approved. LSSC is a 100% synthetic facility.
- **No wagons are allowed inside the gates.** Gate staff will give assistance if needed.
- **No seeds, shelled nuts, no gum allowed inside the facility!** Please share this with whoever follows your team. This is a serious matter with turf maintenance and offenders will be removed from the tournament.
- No soft toss into nets or fences. Batting cages and toss nets are available in each quad of fields including stadium.

LSSC is a Zero Tolerance Facility. This includes players, coaches, and spectators. Violators will be escorted out of the facility. ***Any coach or player removed from a game for will be subject to removal from any and/ or all additional games or entire tournament if so deemed by LSSC staff.***