



Welcome to the 2019 Vernon Hills Stingers Candotti Classic. This tournament is a “friendly” for 10U and 12U teams and an ASA Northern National Qualifier for 14U & 16U. Guarantee of 4 games weather permitting. 2020 ASA bid will be awarded to 1st place team at 14 & 16.

Tournament Rules

2019 ASA Rules shall apply unless locally modified below.

A player may only be on one roster for this tournament.

One 3-inning game constitutes tournament fulfillment in case of inclement weather.

Forfeit time is game time unless a team is involved in another Vernon Hills Tournament game.

Teams should be prepared to play at least 30 minutes prior to scheduled game times but we will use the posted game time unless impending weather forces us to speed up the games.

Coin flips will be done on the field by umpires before the start of games to determine home and away teams. Line up cards need to be filled out completely, including players first and last names as well as positions. Home team will keep the official scorebook. The higher seeded pool play team will have the option to be the home team or visiting team for all elimination games. A coin flip to determine home team will only be used in elimination games if both teams have the same pool seeding.

Team listed on top in pool play games will occupy the 3rd base dugout unless team is already there from prior game. For Bracket play, Home team will occupy the third base dugout.

Umpire decisions are final and are responsible for reporting game results (complete card) to field supervisor. Coaches should confirm these reported scores. Protests

may be made on rule interpretations only, and must be made in the appropriate time frame, as outlined in the ASA rulebook.

No infield drills or batting practice allowed on the infields. All warm-ups, including pitchers, should be done in the outfields or sidelines. This allows our ground crews to complete field maintenance in ten minutes or less before every game.

10U level will play drop third and infield fly rule. A maximum of 7 runs per inning will be enforced except for the last inning in pool play. Unlimited runs in bracket play but please remember these are 10U players and sportsmanship is of the utmost importance. Bottom line, if you wouldn't want someone to do it to you, don't do it to them.

10 and 12U - The ASA Rule Book will be the official rulebook of the tournament. All rules will be adhered to. Only exception is 10U and 12U will bat entire roster for the entire tournament with "free" substitution. If a player is injured and cannot bat, their place in the order will be skipped without penalty as long as that team is batting nine batters. If below nine batters, the open space will be treated as an out. On deck hitters shall stay on the side behind the batter.

14U and 16U - The ASA Rule Book will be the official rulebook of the tournament. All rules will be adhered to. Only exception is teams shall bat their entire roster in pool play games (only). For elimination, teams have the option of batting 9 (including DP/Flex) or up to their entire lineup. If a player is injured and cannot bat, their place in the order will be skipped without penalty as long as that team is batting nine batters. If below nine batters, the open space will be treated as an out. On deck hitters shall stay on their own side.

If the entire team is batting, courtesy runners can be used for the pitcher and catcher. These courtesy runner(s) are per ASA Rules.

Only managers will be allowed to address umpires. All coaches and players must stay in the dugout during manager discussions. All coaches, players and spectators are responsible for their behavior. Inappropriate behavior is up to the discretion of the umpire or field supervisor. Any conduct deemed inappropriate will result in the offending individuals removal from the park for the remainder of the tournament. If the individual does not leave the park, the team they represent will forfeit their game(s). Any coach ejected from a game will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament. If a fan gets ejected from a game, their teams' coach will also be ejected.

10 run rule will be in effect after four innings; eight runs after five innings.

Time limit of 1:20 for no new inning on all games except the championship games. Championship games for all age levels will have no time limit. International tiebreaker will be in effect for all championship games.

Pool play games can end in a tie. International tie breaker rule will be used for elimination/championship games and any pool play games tied after 7 innings before time expires.

In the event of rain, the Tournament Director will reschedule games. Please call 847-489-8793 for weather updates or check the Tourney Machine app.

Seeding is determined by: 1) Best record, (2) Head to head competition, 3) Least number of runs allowed, 4) Run differential.

Tournament Policies

All required paperwork and fees must be in the possession of the tournament committee before a team will be allowed to compete. Official ASA roster, birth certificates and proof of insurance will be verified prior to team participation. No team will be allowed to play without first showing proof of insurance. Check in at concession stand at your designated field.

All Vernon Hills Park District, Village of Vernon Hills and Vernon Township rules will be enforced. No smoking or alcohol is allowed at any park. No tailgating is allowed.

The tournament director or designate reserves the right to change the rules and game format due to extenuating circumstances including, but not limited to weather.

Thank you and best of luck!

David Doerhoefer
Tournament Director