



2013 STATE QUALIFIER TOURNAMENT RULES (revised 7/8/13)

Teams must notify CRF by Wednesday at noon if they do not plan on participating in State Qualifier. Teams must notify the Tournament Director before leaving Saturday if they do not plan to come back on Sunday. Failure to do so will result in a \$100 community fine of which half will be given to the team that is involved in a no-show. Brackets will be posted on website on Wednesday before qualifier but are not official until Thursday at 5pm. Teams must play in the Qualifier to attend a State tournament.

1. All state tournament berths are determined during the qualifier. Teams will be seeded according to regular season results.
2. A ten minute grace period shall be allowed on the team's first scheduled game before a forfeit is declared. Game time is forfeit time for succeeding games.
3. Time limit is 1 hour and 20 minutes unless teams are tied. The tie breaker rule will then apply. Time limit is waived in the championship game.
4. On deck batters will be placed to the back of the batter.
5. 12U Tier II will play by league rules.
6. All divisions will play three (3) outfielders with the exception of 12U Tier II which may play four (4) outfielders.
7. Batting the bench and free substitution is *mandatory* for all 12U and 14U. 16U and 18U will play 9 or 10 if utilizing a DP/FLEX.
8. NO maximum runs per half inning. The defense must get three (3) outs. Exception: 12U Tier II will have a five (5) run limit per inning for the first four (4) innings.
9. Run Rule: 15 runs after 3 innings, 12 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.
10. Umpire rule interpretation protest will be settled during the game. Player eligibility protest must be made before game ends and settled after the game. Eligibility protests must be taken up with the Tournament Director.
11. A coin flip by the umpire will determine home team for each game.
12. Players must have chinstraps in order to participate.
13. No use of the infield before the game.
14. All qualifiers are double elimination except championship game. If the undefeated team loses the first game of the championship, both teams will submit new lineups and play sudden death international rules to determine the champion.