

Playoff Rules

1. Only those players registered with NSA and on your team's playoff roster are eligible to play.
2. Score sheets are to be forwarded to the draw master after the conclusion of the Game
3. Game balls will be supplied.
4. Teams must have lineups exchanged and be ready to play 15 minutes before game time.
5. NO grace period.
6. A default will be called if a team is unable to field 8 players. Automatic outs for missing players may be placed at any location in the lineup. These spots may be filled if a sex appropriate player shows up after the game has begun.
7. You may bat an extra guy IF you also bat an extra girl. So in your batting order you either are batting 6 male 4 female OR 7 male and 5 female. If batting 7 and 5 these players have unlimited defensive substitutions but the batting order stays the same. These two EHs are treated like any defensive player when being subbed out. If an injury occurs and you cannot replace the injured player an automatic out will be issued in that persons place. You must always have a minimum of FOUR girls
8. The umpire and the other team must be notified before any substitutions are made. You may only substitute a male for male and female for female. If you start the game with 5 males and 5 females, you play the entire game that way.
9. One re-entry per game.
10. You do not have to play the field before you bat.
11. Pitches are to have a minimum 6 foot arc with no maximum. A no arc will be called when the ball is still in the air. The batter has the option of hitting it or not.
12. Over the fence home runs - maximum 3 per team per game, any after that the batter is out.
13. The commitment line between third and home will be called.
14. Safety mat or line must be used by runner at all times. The safety mat or line at home is an appeal play.
15. The batter will not be called out if they step on the mat or plate when hitting, as

long as there is no charging the mound or catcher.

16. If a batter is walked on a count of 4 balls and 0 strikes they are awarded second base. The batter after them takes their regular turn at bat. If a batter is walked on a count of 4 balls and 1 or 2 strikes they are awarded first base. Any time after a batter has 1 strike in their count they may be intentionally walked to first base.

17. On deck batter - if the on deck batter has a strike and they do not bat in the current inning, that strike carries over into the next inning.

18. Seven runs per inning

19. The seventh and any innings after are open

20. One base is given on an out of play over throw. The runner must have the base made. (Excluding first base.)

21. A courtesy runner may be used a maximum of three times (per team) each game. When the player requiring a courtesy runner is at bat, the same sex player that is farthest away from him/her in the batting order (and not on base) will be the courtesy runner, (even if they had a runner themselves).

22. The mercy rule will be in effect should a team be ahead by more than ten runs after five or six complete innings.

23. Should the game be tied after seven complete innings, the "international rule" will be in effect. The last official batter from the previous inning starts on second base and the inning is played as usual starting with no outs. This rule is to be used for the eighth inning and any thereafter if needed.

24. All pregnant women must sign a waiver.