

## SENIOR WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

- 1. Tournament Dates: September 17 & 18, 2016
- 2. Location: Hourglass Park, 10440 Black Mountain Road, San Diego, CA 92126
- 3. Entry Fee: \$375/team, non-refundable after registration deadline
- 4. Registration Deadline: September 7, 2016
- 5. Tournament Format: Each team will play two or three games to determine seeding for a double elimination bracket playoff. The number of teams in each division will determine format. Seeding will be determined by:
  - A. Win-loss record
  - B. Head to Head
  - C. Run differential
  - D. Coin flip
- 6. Divisions will be cancelled if less than four (4) teams are entered
- 7. Awards will be given for  $1^{st} 3^{rd}$  place teams in each division.
- 8. Tournament Director: Mary Knapik, 858-761-7786

Assistant Tournament Director: Kathy Browning, 360-771-3660

## **TOURNAMENT RULES**

- 1. Current ASA rules will govern all games, with exceptions.
- 2. Official rosters and waivers must be turned in at least 30 minutes prior to the team's first game. All players must have some form of ID for proof of age.
- 3. Length of Game: All games except the final/championship games in each division will be fifty-five (55) minutes, plus open inning. The umpire will announce that the current inning will be completed and the next inning will be the "open" inning. The final/championship games in each division will be seven innings.
- 4. Eleven defensive players shall constitute a team. Must have a minimum of ten (10) players to start and finish a game. Unlimited batters may be used.
- 5. Bats: All bats meeting the 1.21 bpf standard or ASA 2000 stamped bats are allowed. In addition, the bat shall be free of burs, dents, cracks, sharp edges and audible rattles.
- 6. For all games, including the final/championship games, there will be a five (5) run limit per inning with the last inning being an "open" inning.
- 7. Mercy Rule: A team ahead by 20 runs after four innings or 15 runs after five innings will be declared the winner.
- 8. Flip-Flop Rule: The flip-flop rule is in effect. If the home team is behind by 10 runs or more going into the last inning, they will become the visitor in the last inning and any extra innings.

- 9. Tie Breaker Rule: Tied games will be played to completion using the International Tie Breaker Rule. Teams start each half-inning with a runner on second base. This runner is the last batter of the previous inning whose turn at bat had been completed. No substitute or courtesy runner may replace this runner until she has reached third base.
- 10. Batters will start with a 0/0 count, no foul ball to waste.
- 11. Courtesy runners are unlimited, except no player may be a courtesy runner more than once per inning and a courtesy runner may not replace another courtesy runner except for an injury to the original courtesy runner. Any player listed on the line-up card, including substitutes, may be used as a courtesy runner.
- 12. A "safety base" will be used at 1<sup>st</sup> base. A scoring line (or base) will be used at home.
- 13. A commitment line shall be marked perpendicular to the foul line between third base and home plate, 20 feet from home plate.
- 14. Home team will be determined by a flip of a coin.
- 15. Game time is forfeit time. Game time starts two (2) minutes after plate meeting. Teams should be ready to play fifteen (15) minutes prior to scheduled game time.
- 16. Official scorekeepers are not available, so the home team will be the official scorekeeper.
- 17. All divisions will play with 65' base distance. A strike zone mat will be used.

## OTHER INFORMATION

- 1. A food truck will be on-site to provide nutritional food.
- 2. There will be an "opportunity" drawing for a Dudley bat.
- 3. Elite Sportswear will be on site selling merchandise.