



## 2026 EBCUA TOURNAMENT RULES

- CASA (Softball Canada) rules will apply (starting line up of 9 and substitutions) with the following exceptions:
- Use of DP/Flex option is only available for U17 & U19 categories and only recommended for those comfortable with the rule (Umpires are not instructors)
- Player eligibility will be in accordance with Softball Alberta non post provincial (refer to the C and D category rules) play guidelines
- EBC will permit up to 4 registered players at U20 in the U19 category
- NO protests, Umpires decisions are Final
- All games will be 7 innings OR no new innings after 80 min (1 hour 20 min). If home team is up after time expires the bottom half of the inning shall not be played and the score will revert back to the last completed inning  
EXCEPTION: All Playoff games will be no new innings after 90 min (1 hour 30 mins) All final games will be no new innings after 105 min (1 hour 45 min).
- Coin flip by an umpire will determine home team
- Max 7 runs per team per inning, in all games
- The run ahead rule is in compliance with the CASA rules. 15 runs after 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 3 innings, 10 runs after 3  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 4 innings or 7 runs after 4  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 5, 5  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 6 innings
- Pitching Limit U15 ONLY, Pitchers may pitch a maximum of 4 innings per game. Should a pitcher throw one pitch in an inning, this shall count as an inning pitched. In the event of extra innings, the pitching rule will no longer be in effect.
- Teams are encouraged to use a courtesy runner for the catcher when there are 2 outs
- Ties are allowed in round robin games. In playoffs, the international tiebreaker rule will apply
- Placing will be determined as follows,
  1. Point system, 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 points for a loss
  2. Head to Head game (if two teams with same number of points played in round robin the winner of that game shall be ranked higher than the loser)
  3. Runs for and against
  4. If need be a coin flip

**Please note: Any abusive language or actions towards any Umpire, Player, Coaches or fans will not be tolerated. Any persons acting in an abusive manner will be asked to leave Henry Singer Ball Park for the remainder of the tournament.**

**Both teams must return their scoresheets to tournament headquarters immediately following the game**

**THANKS AND HAVE FUN!**