

STiKS Academy Indoor Baseball TOURNAMENT RULES

FIELDS 1 = STiKS Academy Address
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Format:

4 Team Round Robin

- U11 December 29
- U12 December 28
- U13 December 27

The TOP 2 teams in each age level will advance to championship game on Sunday December 30th.

- **U11 – 1:00**
- **U12 – 3:00**
- **U13 – 5:00**

1. Time Limits/Innings (time starts at the conclusion of the home plate meeting):

Ages 9-13U 7 innings or 1:30 time limit.

- **No new inning can start after time limit.**
- **No extra innings in pool play – Games will end in a tie.**
- **1 MINUTE BETWEEN INNINGS – This will be enforced.**
- **New pitchers get 7 pitches.**
- **Game time starts at the handshake between coaches at the home plate meeting.**

2. Coin Flip will determine home team through pool play.

- **Higher seed in Championship Game will be home team.**
- **California Rule after time limit or inning limit – 2-1 count, 1 out, last batted out on 2nd base.**
- **No extra innings or Cali Rule in pool play; just Championship Game.**
- **NO TIME LIMIT IN CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES - run rules still apply; coin flip for home team.**

3. Run Rule:

- **Ages 9-18U = 15 after 3 innings = 10 after 4 innings = 8 after 5 innings.**

4. 1 free visit per inning; the pitcher is removed upon the second visit.

5. Balk warnings for ages 9-13; one warning per pitcher; the NFHS balk rule will be enforced.

6. Intentional walk---don't have to pitch to batter.

7. Courtesy runners are allowed for pitcher and catcher.

8. Players going on the field to retrieve foul balls need to have a helmet and catchers squatting to warm-up pitchers need to have a mask.

9. Team is allowed to bat 9, 10 (with EH) or the whole lineup.

- **If an injury occurs batting the whole lineup, the player will be an out for the rest of the game unless opposing coach agrees to nullify the rule; there is NO designated hitter until 15U.**

10. No pre-game infield/outfield. Warm up in the outfield.

11. Limit batting cage use to 30 minutes if another team is in line. Teams may use the batting cages within the facility prior to the games. 2 Tunnels will be dedicated as a bullpen area to allow pitchers to get warmed up.
12. There will be a \$150.00 fine for chewing gum or sunflower seeds in the dugout or on the field; the fine must be paid or the organization playing at the STiKS Academy will not be allowed to compete.
13. Games can possibly start 15 minutes ahead of schedule; if BOTH coaches agree, games can start more than 15 minutes ahead of schedule.
14. NO SWEARING!!!
15. Only 3 coaches/adults are allowed in the dugout at once; the scorekeeper counts as a coach.
16. No fake bunt then swing for ages 13U and under.
17. If a player suffers a head injury, he/she is no longer allowed to re-enter the game at any point.
18. On-deck batters MUST warm-up in designated On Deck Area
19. No metal spikes allowed. Any other shoe works.
20. EJECTIONS (NO EXCEPTIONS):
 - If a COACH is ejected he/she will be suspended for the next game and asked to leave the entire complex.
 - If a PLAYER is ejected he/she will be suspended for the next game and can stay in the complex but needs to be removed from the dugout.
 - If a PARENT is ejected he/she will be suspended for the next game and asked to leave the entire complex.
 - ALL ejections are subject to further suspension upon a review from the umpire and tournament director.
21. TIE BREAKERS:
 - Seeds will be determined by overall points in pool play.
 - 2 points for a win, 1 for a tie, 0 for a loss.
 - Head to head – If more than 2 teams are tied this criteria will be skipped.
 - Runs allowed - Maximum of 8 runs per game.
 - Run differential – Maximum of 8 runs per game.
 - Coin flip.
22. 8U and Up: USSSA stealing, pickoffs and dropped 3rd strike rules apply unless noted below.
23. Bat Rules:
 - 9-14U = USSSA 1.15 stamped, 2 3/4in barrel, no drop rule.
24. PITCHING LIMITS:
 - Due to the time of year NO pitcher can throw more than 2 innings in a game and NO more than 5 Innings in a day.
25. FIELD SIZE:
 - 11-12U: 50/70ft
 - 13U: 54/80ft

INDOOR SPECIFIC RULES

- Any batted balls that hit the ceiling **INSIDE** the base lines is an **OUT**
- Any batted balls that hit the ceiling **PAST** the base line is **LIVE**
- Any batted balls that hit **ABOVE** the second row (without hitting ceiling) on outfield wall is a **HOME RUN**
- **Foul Balls** that hit the ceiling are up to **Umpire Discretion**