

38th Annual Lancaster County Construction Softball Tournament

OFFICIAL TOURNAMENT RULES

USA Rules apply unless otherwise noted.

1 GAME PLAY RULES

- 1 **Starting Count:** 1-1 count with NO extra foul.
- 2 **Bats:** USSSA thumbprint stamp or ASA stamp bats only (standard Intercourse and Gap League bat rules apply).
- 3 **Balls:** .44 core, 375 lb. compression. Balls will be available for purchase at Paradise Park for \$70 per dozen.
- 4 **Courtesy Runners:**
 - Courtesy runner allowed for the pitcher at any time.
 - One other courtesy runner per inning (anyone on the roster).
- 5 **Home Runs:** 1 per inning (outs thereafter).
- 6 **Run Rules:** 20 runs after 3 innings, 15 after 4, 10 after 5 & 6. No international tie breaker!
- 7 **Minimum Players:** Must have 9 players to start a game. May bat 11.
- 8 **Home Team:** Determined by coin flip.
- 9 **Stealing:** No stealing.
- 10 **Pitch Height:** 6 ft to 10 ft. Pitcher's foot must be in contact with the pitcher's plate on release of the ball (umpire's judgement).
- 11 **Pitching Conduct:** No juking, faking, excessive speed, or quick pitches allowed. This will result in a warning; a second offense will result in removal from the pitching position (the player may play another position).
- 12 **Conferences:**
 - Offense: 1 conference per inning. Penalty for calling an additional conference is ejection of the coach or player who calls it.
 - Defense: 3 conferences per 7-inning game. Penalty is removal of the pitcher.

2 ROSTER & ELIGIBILITY RULES

- 1 **Subcontractors:** Subcontractors are not considered employees of the company and will be treated as pickups.
- 2 **Sister Companies:** If companies share a common owner, players may be pulled from all of those companies to form a single team.
- 3 **Pickups:**
 - A maximum of 3 pickups per team is allowed.
 - Pickups may not have played in any league games in 2024, 2025, or 2026.
 - Each team must have at least 7 employees of the company on the starting roster.
- 4 **Small Companies:** Two companies with 8 or fewer employees each (including company owners) on their payroll may combine to enter a single team.

3 PACE OF GAME

Umpire's Discretion

- ▶ Games are to start 5 minutes after the previous game has finished, unless ahead of schedule.
- ▶ A batter may ask for time, but if the umpire does not grant it and the batter steps out, a strike will be called on the batter. If it's a 3rd strike, the batter is out!

4 EJECTION RULES

No Exception

- ▶ If a player or coach is ejected from a game, or after a game, that player or coach must leave the premises for the rest of that game and for their following scheduled game.
- ▶ Two ejections of the same person within the tournament disqualifies that person, and they must leave all premises.

5 PARK RULES

Alcohol and drugs are illegal and are not permitted. Any illegal activity will be reported to the local authorities.
Smoking is not allowed in the park and anyone seen smoking may be asked to leave.

Any questions regarding rules should be directed to **Ray Beiler (717-984-0293)**.

General questions regarding the tournament can be directed to any member of our committee:

Ray Beiler

Matt Esh E&E General Contracting

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Ray Esh Keystone Custom Decks

Michael Esh E&E General Contracting

John Fisher Fisher Brothers Exteriors

Ivan King MK Builders

Thank you all for participating in the event.