

## Hillsboro 14 & 17 Under Tournament Rules

Licensed umpires will officiate and have complete control of the game. Judgment calls will not be appealed. Any protest or questions concerning tournament rules must be immediately brought to the attention of the tournament director, and the tournament committee will rule on the matter before play continues.

14 and under tournament cannot be 15 on or before August 31<sup>st</sup>..

17 and under cannot be 18 years of age on or before August 31<sup>st</sup>.

High School Rules will be observed with the exception of 6 Innings per game

Games will be scheduled every 2 hours. A maximum of 20 minutes will be allowed between games unless the games are running behind schedule. In that case we will stick to the regularly scheduled times. Home team for pool play will be indicated on the schedule. Home team for tournament play will be the higher seed. There will be absolutely no grace period for any reason in any game throughout the tournament. It is the responsibility of each coach to make sure he/she has a full starting lineup at game time. A team must start with 9 players but can finish with 8 and take an out when that player comes to bat.

There will be no warming up anywhere outside the playing field during the tournament. On field, warm-ups will be permitted in the outfield grass only with the exception of the pitcher and catcher who will be permitted to warm up in the bullpen. There will be no warming up outside the foul lines.

NO Infield Practice: Teams will warm-up in the outfield until starting pitcher is ready to start the game.

The 10 run rule will be observed in all games. The game is over at the end of 4 complete innings or 3 1/2 innings if home team is up by 10 runs. All interrupted games will start at point of interruption unless it is an official game. All interrupted games will re-start at point of interruption if not an official game. An official game is 3 ½ innings if the home team is ahead. Innings pitched will count against the pitcher. If there are any questions about rain please call before coming or check the website, [www.shafferpark.com](http://www.shafferpark.com). It is the coach's responsibility to call about re-scheduled games.

Birth Certificates and official rosters (of no more than 15 players) must be turned in to the tournament manager prior to your first game. Trophies will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners.

Fans will be asked for a \$3 donation at the gate to attend the tournament.

Forfeited games are scored 1-0

Tournament seeding will be determined by pool play results.  
Top seed is determined by:

1. Best record
2. Runs allowed
3. Coin Flip.