

KGF EVENT RULES

All events will be played using NFHS rules with the following exceptions

- **TIME LIMITS**
 - 70 minutes FINISH THE BATTER/MATCH in pool play
 - 75 minutes FINISH THE INNING in bracket play
- **SCORES POSTED**
 - To keep everyone updated, we will post scores after each game has concluded.
- **ALL SCORES WILL BE FINALIZED WITHIN 30 MINUTES OF COMPLETED CONTEST**
 - BOTH coaches must turn in all game scores immediately following your contest on GROUP ME
 - **Scores will NOT be changed after 30 minutes of completed contest;** it is very important that BOTH teams turn in their scores.
- **POOL PLAY**
 - The home team will be decided by coin toss during pool play.
 - The home team is the official book/scorekeeper.
 - Line up cards are to be turned in to the official scorekeeper before each game.
 - Pool play games CAN end in tie.
- **PLAYER PARTICIPATION/COURTESY RUNNER RULES**
 - The courtesy runner for the pitcher and catcher MUST be the last batted out OR a sub not in the game.
 - Courtesy runner is mandatory for the catcher with 2 outs.
- **OFFENSIVE/DEFENSIVE LINEUPS**
 - Teams may hit their entire lineup.
 - They must hit at least 9 players.
 - The integrity of the batter order must be maintained at all times. If you start with 12, you must end with 12.
 - Free substitution on defense.
 - Substitutes must be reported and entered into the line-up for offensive to opposing teams.
 - All players other than the normal 9 position will be called EH's.
- **ALL BATS MUST BE STAMPED ASA/USA/NSA/USFA/USSSA APPROVED.**
 - If you are found with a **NON-SANCTIONED BAT**, you will be ejected from the contest and the bat must be turned into the site director for the remainder of the event. You will not have to sit out a second contest for this incident.
 - If ejected a coach or player must sit out the next game.

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- **RUN RULE**
 - 10 after 3
 - 8 after 4
 - 6 after 5

- **TOURNAMENT SEEDING** (To be used for placement for ELIMINATION play)
 - 1. Overall Record 2. Head-to-Head 3. Runs allowed 4. Runs Scored 5. Run Differential 6. Coin Flip
 - **THREE TEAM TIE-BREAKERS**
 - This breaks ties based on the record against the teams tied with. For example, if 3 teams have the same overall record at 2-1 and all 3 of the teams played each other an equal number of times and one team's record against the other two was 2-0 and another was 1-1 and the other was 0-2. This tie breaker would order them accordingly.
 - If all three teams had identical 1-1 records, this tie breaker would not be used. It would then go to the next step which is runs allowed. This would be with these same three teams, not the overall tournament total.
 - It should be noted that this tie breaker is completely ignored if all the teams tied do not play each other an equal number of times. For example, if there are 3 teams tied and one team played the other two, but the other two did not play each this tie breaker will be ignored (regardless of the outcome of the two games played by the first team). We would then go to runs allowed for the entire tournament and then to a coin flip if necessary.
 - **BRACKET PLAY**
 - The home team will be decided by SEEDING. (TOP SEED HAS OPTION)

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- **KGF INTERNATIONAL TIE BREAKER RULE**

- Your last two batted outs will be placed at FIRST & THIRD BASE with ONE OUT. The next scheduled batter will bat, and you will continue to bat until your third out.

- **MATCH EXPLAINED**

- If the visiting team is losing when time expires, the game is over.
- If the home team is winning when time expires, the game is over.
- If the visiting team is winning when time expires, then the home team will “match” out for out to “finish the inning.”
 - 0 outs, visiting team is winner, you cannot match 0 outs.
 - If 1 out, then the home team starts with 2 outs and finishes the inning.
 - If 2 outs, then the home team starts with 1 out and finishes the inning.

- **GOLD/SILVER/BRONZE FORMAT SEEDING**

- **Type of brackets and seeding will be determined based on the number of teams in each division.**
 - Higher seeded team/teams in each pool or division will be placed into a Gold Bracket
 - Middle seeded team/teams in each pool or division will be seeded into a Silver Bracket
 - Lower seeded team/teams in each pool or division will be seeded into a Bronze Bracket
- **For events with only GOLD/SILVER format, seeding will be determined in a similar manner.**
 - Higher seeded team/teams in each pool/division will be placed into a Gold Bracket
 - Lower seeded team/teams in each pool/division will be seeded into a Silver Bracket