

# 2022 NATIVE WORLD SERIES TOURNAMENT RULES



1. Absolutely NO ILLEGAL DRUGS, OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK is permitted at Okotoks On Deck, including consumption of alcohol in the parking lot. Violation of this rule will result in the suspension of the player(s) and/or team from the event.
2. Unsportsmanlike conduct including foul language, umpire abuse, illegal physical contact or any action deemed inappropriate by the umpire will result in ejection of the OFFENDER AND THE COACH from the game.
3. Team rosters must be submitted to the tournament convener before the start of the playoff round. YOUR TOURNAMENT PACKAGE IS AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT THE DRAWBOARDS IN THE CLUBHOUSE BEFORE YOUR FIRST GAME. When asked, all players must provide either their First Nations Status Card or Metis Card or properly signed documents. NO PROTESTS
4. A team must have minimum of 10 players to start, throughout and complete a game. Event format is 7 males and 3 females. Team must have a minimum of 3 females on the field at all times. Teams may play with more than 3 females but never more than 7 males.
5. Teams wishing to use an extra hitter may do so provided they use an extra male and female hitter.
6. NSA Canada Softball Bat rules are in effect.
7. Time limit for games is 75 minutes with no new inning after 65 minutes.
8. Mercy rule is in effect....15 runs after (4) four innings, 10 runs after (5) or (6) innings.
9. Homerun limit is 5+1 (out of the park) allowed per team, per game. Hit and Sit rule (Walk off) in effect. The batter and baserunners must runout a four base award. **GET YOUR HOME RUN AND FOUL BALLS!**

10. Each team can use up to 3 courtesy runners per game
  - a) Courtesy runners may be anyone on the team's roster
  - b) Courtesy runners MUST be the same gender as the person being run for
  - c) If the courtesy runner is on base when they are due up to bat, they will be declared out as a batter and will remain on the base currently occupied
  - d) Courtesy runners may be replaced with another courtesy runner. This runner would count as an additional runner against the team's allotment
  - e) A substitute may be made for the ORIGINAL RUNNER to replace the courtesy runner.
11. A temporary runner may be used for the pitcher if he/she is on base with two (2) out and is using protective equipment. This rule only applies to the pitcher if he/she was the pitcher at the end of the previous inning or was declared to be the starting pitcher to the home plate umpire if this is the top of the first inning.
  - a) The temporary runner must be of the last available runner of the same gender as the pitcher,
  - b) Once a pitcher uses a temporary runner, he/she MUST continue to use a runner for the remainder of the game
  - c) Once a pitcher refuses to use a temporary runner, he/she MAY NOT use a temporary runner for the remainder of the game
  - d) A temporary runner will not be counted as a courtesy runner, if in use.
12. Substitutions can be made at any time provided the change is male for male, female for female or female for male. Individual substituting into the game must then bat in order of the person they are replacing. SUBSTITUTIONS MUST BE ANNOUNCED TO THE UMPIRE. Extra hitters may rotate in and out of the game (offense and defense) provided the batting order remains the same.
13. (5) five runs MAX per inning. Home team does not take bats if game is won at the bottom of any inning. Last inning is open.
14. No bunting is allowed (automatic out)
15. For Round robin play, the team with matching jerseys will get the choice of home or away. If both teams have matching jerseys then a coin toss will determine home team. Higher seeded undefeated team has the choice during the playoffs.
16. Any walk to a male batter followed by a female batter will result in the male batter advancing to 2<sup>nd</sup> base while the female batter must hit.
17. Strike mat is in effect. Scoring and commitment line in effect.
18. Round Robin games may end in a tie. During the playoffs games will be played out until the tie is broken. International rule (last available batter will start at 2<sup>nd</sup> base with 1 out) will be in effect for all extra inning games.
19. BOTH TEAMS MUST REPORT THE RESULTS OF ALL GAMES TO THE DRAW BOARDS INSIDE THE CLUBHOUSE.
20. Any rule not stated above will be as per the 2022 NSA Rule Book

