



**11TH ANNUAL
AMERICAN HERO VETERANS TOURNAMENT**

RULES

National Federation High School (NFHS) rules will be used for this tournament, with the following inclusions

<p align="center">UNIFORMS</p> <p>Player jerseys require a number on the back. Coaches can dress casually and appropriate.</p>	<p align="center">LINE UPS</p> <p>Required. Copy to home plate umpire; copy to the opposing team and copy to game official scorer Line up cards provided.</p>
<p align="center">BASEBALLS</p> <p>Each team will be issued one (1) dozen game baseballs at time of check in. Two (2) new game baseballs to be presented to the home plate umpire at the pre-game meeting Teams are required to chase down balls that go out of play on their side of the field</p>	<p align="center">BATTING ORDER</p> <p>Per NFHS Rules</p> <hr/> <p align="center">BAT SPECIFICATION</p> <p>BBCOR or wood bat</p>
<p align="center">SUBSTITUTION</p> <p>Per NFHS rules</p>	<p align="center">COURTESY RUNNER</p> <p>Per NFHS Rules</p>
<p align="center">GAME LENGTH</p> <p>Pool Play 2:00 hour time limit Bracket play: See game schedule</p> <p>Inning that starts must be completed There is NO "Drop Dead" Seven (7) inning game Pool Play no extra innings Bracket Round tie game last batted out goes to second base to start the inning. Process continues until a winner is determined</p>	<p align="center">RUN RULES</p> <p>18 runs after two (2) complete innings 15 runs after four (4) innings 10 runs after 4 1/2-5 innings 8 runs after 6 innings</p> <hr/> <p align="center">PITCHING</p> <p>No pitching limits. Coaches responsible for managing pitchers properly All NFHS pitching rules in effect, i.e.balks, trips to the mound, intentional walk, etc.</p> <hr/> <p align="center">DUGOUTS</p> <p>First come, first serve basis No buckets, chairs, etc. or standing outside of the dugout. All coaching personnel and players must inside the confines of the dugout</p>
<p align="center">HOME TEAM</p> <p>Pool play coin toss determines HOME Team Bracket rounds higher seed is HOME team HOME TEAM provides game official scorer</p>	<p align="center">SAFETY</p> <p>All NFHS safety rules will be invoked. No peanuts/seeds permitted in the dugout</p>
<p align="center">CONDUCT</p> <p>Player or coache ejected must immeidately leave the field and go directly to the parking lot. The ejection report will be reviewed to determine whtether the ejected individual is permitted to participate in the team's next game.</p>	<p align="center">POST GAME</p> <p>Clean up dugout prior to leaving NO post-game meetings on the game field. Meetings can be done in common areas or in the parking lot</p>
<p align="center">PRE-GAME</p> <p>No batting practice on the game field. All pre-game warm up conducted on the side or in the outfield</p>	<p align="center">STARTING/FINISHING GAME</p> <p>Team may start and finish game with 8 players. Game time is forfeit time if team has less than 8.</p>

TIE BREAKER PROCESS

- Criteria 1 Pool Play: Win-Loss-Tie-Points Win = 3 points; Tie = 1 point)
 - Criteria 2 Head to head results if applicable
 - Criteria 3 Least number of runs allowed .
 - Criteria 4 Run Differential
 - Criteria 5 Coin Toss
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SEEDING BRACKET ROUND

- Criteria 1 Win-Loss-Tie Record
 - Criteria 2 Least number of runs allowed
 - Criteria 3 Run Differential
 - Criteria 4 Coin Toss
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WEATHER

Weather delays will result in waiting as long as possible to get games played and completed. Coaches, players and parents need to understand that decisions to continue games is determined by the Kino Sports Complex field crews in conjunction with the Kino Baseball League and the umpires.

Game delayed by lightning (unlikely in November but just in case) the Kino Sports Complex event staff will result in teams and spectators vacating the complex and head to the parking lot and their vehicles and we will wait as long as possible to resume the games.

The tournament format may be changed to lesser time limits, fewer innings, cancellation game or seed advancement to complete the tournament. Results and awards distribution may be based off pool play seeding, instances where game are played without an elimination finish. If the weather becomes a factor, we may revert back to first pool play game or 1/2 of the official game time for the playoff seeding.