

2006 Central Iowa Sports Tournament Rules

Unless otherwise noted herein, the playing rules for Central Iowa Sports Events will follow in accordance with USSSA National Rules first, then the Official Major League Baseball Rules as published by the Sporting News.

TEAM REGISTRATION

Team managers must check in to tournament director 30 minutes prior to their 1st scheduled game.

Teams must be sanctioned with USSSA.

Teams must provide a signed USSSA roster printed from USSSA on-line roster.

BRACKETS / SCHEDULES

Schedules will be posted by Tuesday, 5:00PM the week of the tournament.

Games scores will be updated nightly during tournament on www.centraliowasports.com.

Championship play brackets will be posted on www.centraliowasports.com after pool play is complete.

AWARDS

Team and individual awards for 1st through 4th place.

World Series berths will be awarded to the top two highest finishing teams that has not received a berth (NIT tournaments only).

GAME TIME / RUN RULES

AGE	INNINGS	POOL PLAY TIME LIMIT	CHAMPIONSHIP TIME LIMIT	RUN RULE Pool and Championship
6	5	1 hr 15 min	1 hr 30 min	*See age specific rules
7	5	1 hr 15 min	1 hr 30 min	*See age specific rules
8	6	1 hr 30 min	1 hr 40 min	15 runs after 3 innings 8 runs after 4 innings
9	6	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 50 min	
10	6	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 50 min	
11	6	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 50min	
12	6	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 50 min	15 runs after 3 innings 12 runs after 4 innings 8 runs after 5 innings
13	7	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 50 min	
14	7	1 hr 40 min	1 hr 50 min	

PITCHING

USSSA rules apply unless specifically noted otherwise for event.

Team manager must complete pitching record and submit to the site director after each game. Teams will not be allowed to start next scheduled game if pitching record from the previous game was not submitted to the site director.

TIED GAME AFTER TIME ELAPSED

If game is tied after time limit has elapsed, teams will play additional inning(s) with the following rule:

Each team will place the last two players who batted from the line-up the previous inning on 2nd and 3rd base (last batter on 2nd base and 2nd to last batter on 3rd base).

The inning will start with one out.

The game will continue with this format until a winner is declared.

This rule is not in effect for the championship game only.

FORFEITS

Forfeit in pool play may result in team not advancing to championship bracket

HOME TEAM

Home team will be determined by flip of coin in pool play. In championship play, higher seed will have choice of home or visitor unless specifically noted otherwise for event.

Home team will be official scorekeeper and must record start time in book.

TIE BREAKER

- 1) Win-loss record
- 2) Head to head
- 3) Fewest runs allowed
- 4) Run differential (max of +8 or -8)
- 5) Coin flip

EXTRA HITTER (EH)

The Extra Hitter (EH) is allowed. The Designated Hitter (DH) is not allowed.

EJECTIONS

Any player or coach ejected from a game due to unsportsmanlike conduct WILL NOT be allowed to participate in the next game of the event. Anyone ejected may be asked to leave the park at the discretion of the Site Director. Additional penalties may be assessed as deemed necessary by the Site Director.

REFUND POLICY

If tournament is cancelled due to inclement weather, refunds will be issued as follows:

0 Games Started: Entry fee minus \$75 administrative fee applied toward a future Central Iowa Sports Event

1 Game Started: 50% of entry fee applied toward future a Central Iowa Sports Event

2 Games Started: No refunds

Cancellation of tournament by Central Iowa Sports: Credit for full amount applied toward a future Central Iowa Sports Event.

Team's withdrawal from tournament up to entry deadline: Entry fee minus \$75 administrative fee applied toward a future Central Iowa Sports Event.

Team's withdrawal from tournament after entry deadline: No refund.

WEATHER / TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Tournaments conducted by Central Iowa Sports will be pool play format followed by an elimination round. Central Iowa Sports reserves the right to alter, change, or abbreviate the tournament format when necessary to complete the tournament.

GATE FEE

Most Central Iowa Sports events will charge a team gate fee. All team's coaches, players, families, friends and fans are allowed into the facility with the paid team gate fee.

State Qualifying Tournaments - Team gate fee of \$150 due at check-in of event

NIT Tournaments - Team gate fee of \$200 due at check-in of event.

Some Central Iowa Sports events will charge admission at the gate.

Admission fees: \$4/day - adults, \$2/day - seniors, \$1/day - students (6 -14 yrs)

Team players and 3 coaches are admitted at no charge.

BALLPARK RULES

NO FOOD OR DRINKS TO BE BROUGHT IN TO THE BALLPARK

Team coolers are allowed

Managers are held responsible for the actions of the players and fans.

Soft toss batting practice against a backstop or fence is prohibited

Please police the dugout and pick up all trash and dispose in trash cans.