

Franklin Heroes & Hitters Tournament Rules 2022

Rule(s) Description	10U	12U
Each team will turn in an ASA/USA-approved team roster, birth certificates for each player, and insurance binder	X	X
Paperwork will be turned in 1 hour before your first game of the tournament	X	X
All coaches must always display their ASA/USA-approved background check cards.	X	X
Game captains, coaches, & umpire meeting, line-ups, ground rules discussed coin toss to decide home team (two line-ups required- opposing team and umpire)	X	X
Games will be 6 innings	X	X
Players pitch from 35 feet (11 inch ball)	X	
Players pitch from 40 feet (12 inch ball)		X
Dropped third strike rule is in effect.		X
Infield fly rule is in effect.		X
At the 1 hour, 20-minute mark as declared by the umpire the game will complete that full inning and then play one additional inning or half inning if the home team is ahead. If tied at end of 6 and time allows then teams will go to USA Softball Tie Breaker.	X	X
The time limit will exist through the Quarterfinals. There will be no time limit for the Semi-finals and Championship Game.	X	X
Batting Options: Elimination round and Pool Play		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With Designated Player (DP) and Flex: 10 Players with nine batting (The DP/Flex is optional) Batting up to all roster players, any additional batter(s) shall be listed as an EP and may be listed anywhere in the batting order and may play defense at any position. JO Fast Pitch Only with one Extra Player (EP): Pitcher (F1), catcher (F2), first base player (F3), second base player (F4), third base player (F5), shortstop (F6), left fielder (F7), center fielder(F8), right fielder (F9), and one Extra Player (EP) with 10 batting. JO Fast Pitch with Designated Player (DP) and FLEX with one Extra Player (EP): 11 players with 10 batting 	X	X
Note: Teams that bat everyone in their line-up will take an out if a player is removed for any reason other than an "ejection" or "Blood Rule."		
Five-Run limit per inning, unless Home Run over the fence (All Runs Count)-Pool Play	X	X
Five-Run limit per inning, unless Home Run over the fence (All Runs Count) Except for final inning in which runs will be unlimited- Elimination Round	X	X
Mercy Rule: 15 runs after 3, 12 runs after 4 innings, 8 runs after 5 innings	X	X
Maximum 9 players may play in field	X	X
Pool games can end in tie. For Sunday's games the USA Softball Tie Breaker rule will be used starting with the 7 th inning and play until there is a winner	X	X
No metal cleats allowed	X	X
Unless otherwise listed here, standard ASA/USA rules apply	X	X
Courtesy runner allowed for Pitcher/Catcher of record only. Runner must be player who made the last out unless that is the Pitcher/Catcher on record and then previous out used. -Pool Play only	X	X
Highest seed has choice of home or away in playoff round on Sunday	X	X
Highest seed on Sunday has choice of dugout	X	X
Coach/Team will award Player of Game to opposing player during pool play only	X	X
Tournament Director can change schedules, shorten games, and revise format in the event of inclement weather.	X	X
Coaches are responsible for cleaning out dugout immediately following each game	X	X
	X	X