

Travel Team State Series Rules - 2021

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Game Rules

- Games will be played by straight USA Softball rules.
- Pool Play Games - The following batting line-ups are allowed.
 - Straight 9 and/or DP/Flex
 - Continuous Order - When 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 as any position.
 - Example - A team may choose to bat 11 players and list one additional player as a substitute. A team is NOT required to bat all 12 players.
- Championship Games- Teams may use “straight 9” or DP/Flex. No other batting line-up may be used.
- Games are scheduled as doubleheaders, with each game being 7 innings or when time expires.
- Run Ahead Rule will be in effect: 15 runs after 3 innings, 12 runs after 4 innings & 8 runs after 5 innings.
- The first game played in the doubleheader will count towards your seeding for the championship games.
- Game 1 will be 1 hour and 30 minutes, finish the inning, unless a winner is not determined
 - If game 1 is tied after time expires the tie-break rule will be in effect. WE NEED A WINNER FROM THE FIRST GAME.
- Game 2 will begin 15 minutes after the conclusion of the first game and be 1 hour 30 minutes drop dead.
- Official travel team rosters will be used. Teams may add/remove players per USA Softball rules.
- The home team is the official scorebook. Report scores upon completion of games.

Umpires

- USA Softball of Ma will schedule umpires for all games.
- The umpire cost will be \$60 per game at the plate. Each team pays for one game.
- All cancellations or rescheduled games will be done by USA Softball of MA. Please contact your scheduling coordinator to do so.