

# SPANISH FORK PARKS & RECREATION

## 2025 Big Slam FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL Tournament Rules

***NO DOGS, PETS, SCOOTERS, SKATES(BOARDS), BIKES, HOVERBOARDS ETC..!!!***

**GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.** Every coach, player and fan is responsible to show good sportsmanship during tournament. If we lose track of this important concept, we lose the game no matter what the final score is.

**POOL GAMES** will determine seeding into the true double elimination brackets. Check brackets for game time.

**AWARDS** will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams on the final day of the tournament.

**USA Tournament Rules will govern play with the following exceptions:**

1. **PITCHING.** USA Softball pitching rules will be enforced. **43'-18U,16U & 14U, 40'- 12U, 35' – 10U**
2. **HOME TEAM** for pool play will be determined by a coin toss by the umpire. Home team in tournament play will be higher seed.
3. **LINE-UP. Pool Play AND Tournament Play** - all players may bat with free defensive subs.
4. **AUTOMATIC OUTS.** Any team failing to field at least nine uniformed players will be assessed an out in the batting order for each missing player.
5. **TIME LIMIT.** **POOL PLAY GAMES** will last 7 innings or 1 hour. **TOURNAMENT GAMES** will last for 7 innings or 1 hour 15 minute time limit.
6. **MERCY RULE. POOL PLAY**—12 after 3, 10 after 4, 8 after 5 or 45 minutes.  
**BRACKET** —12 after 3, 10 after 4, 8 after 5 or 1 hour.
7. **TIE GAMES:** International tiebreaker rule will be used after time has expired or to start the 8<sup>th</sup> inning. Pool play will have 1 extra inning, if game is still tied, coin flip will determine winner. In extra innings the last out will start on 2<sup>nd</sup> base.
8. **CHAMPIONSHIP** will be 1 hour 30 minutes. The “If” game will be on a time limit of 1 hour 15 minutes. The unbeaten team will be home in first championship. Home for the “IF” game will be the winning team of the championship game.
9. **INFIELD OR BATTING PRACTICE.** There will be no infield or batting practice taken on the field prior to game time. Please do not play soft-toss against the fences, use batting cages.
10. **PROTESTS.** All protests will be settled by the UIC and/or tournament Director at the time they arise and before the game continues. If a pitch has been thrown after the call, it is too late to protest.
11. **ROSTERS.** It is the responsibility of each coach to have their team registered with USA softball and follow USA softball of Utah protocol for tournament play.
12. **SCORE KEEPING.** Spanish Fork score keepers will keep the official book & scoreboard. Game time will kept on the field by the umpire.
13. Speed up runners will be allowed for the pitcher and catcher.
14. **PLAYERS MAY ONLY PLAY ON 1 TEAM DURING THE TOURNAMENT!!!** (Each weekend is considered a different tournament)
16. Spanish Fork Parks and Recreation reserves the right to make any changes or adjustments to this tournament.

