

## **GAPT TOURNAMENTS RULES**

(These rules are subject to change

as the summer moves forward and

restrictions are loosened up)

## HIGH SCHOOL FEDERATION RULES ALONG WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP WILL BE EXERCISED AT ALL TIMES BY PLAYERS, COACHES, AND FANS.
- 2. ALL GAMES WILL BE 7 INNINGS OR 1 HOUR & 45 MINUTES TIME LIMIT (Finish the inning)
- 3. RUN RULE: 10 RUNS AFTER 4 INNINGS, 8 RUNS AFTER 5 INNINGS
- 4. HS SUBSTITUTION. CAN BAT 10 HITTERS. DH AND EH.
- 5. EACH TEAM WILL CONTRIBUTE TWO BALLS TO START EACH GAME. TEAMS WILL CONTRIBUTE ADDITIONAL BALLS AS NEEDED BY THE UMPIRE.
- 6. TEAMS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR RETRIEVING FOUL BALLS ON THEIR SIDE.
- 7. RUNNERS (SUB) CAN BE USED FOR THE PITCHER AND CATCHER.
- 8. SLIDE RULE: RUNNERS MUST GO DOWN (SLIDE DIRECTLY TO BASE), OR GIVE UP ANY BASE (INCLUDING HOME PLATE), ON A DOUBLE PLAY OR ATTEMPTED TAG WHEN THE FIELDER HAS THE BALL IN POSSESSION. IF THE PLAYER LOWERS HIS SHOULDER (IN THE UMPIRE'S JUDGEMENT) GOING INTO A FIELDER, THE PLAYER WILL BE CALLED "OUT" AND EJECTED FROM THE GAME.
- 9. 90 SECONDS AND FIVE WARMUP PITCHES BETWEEN INNINGS. PLEASE KEEP THE GAME MOVING AT A REASONABLE PACE!!! NCAA RULE
- 10. TEAMS WILL FLIP FOR HOME TEAM.
- 11. SOME VENUES HAVE CONCESSIONS AND WILL NOT ALLOW IN OUTSIDE FOOD IN. RAILROADER STADIUM WILL HAVE CONCESSIONS!
- 12. CLEAN DUGOUTS AFTER YOUR GAMES.
- 13. NO SEEDS OR TOBACCO AT FIELDS!! (SEE BELOW!)
- 14. NO METAL SPIKES ON THE MOUNDS AT ANY FIELD! NO METAL AT ALL AT RAILROADER! (SEE BELOW!)
- 15. COACHES ONLY: WINNERS REPORT/TEXT ALL SCORES. ALSO, INCLEMENT WEATHER. 682-651-8018 (COACHES AND ORGANIZATION ADMIN USE ONLY!)
- 16. REFUNDS DUE INCLEMENT WEATHER IS UP TO THE DISCRETION OF THE TOURNAMENT STAFF (3 game guarantee)
- 17. Pool Tie Breaker: Head to head, Runs Allowed, Runs Scored

(Ties are considered ½ win, ½ loss)

As of 7/9/2020: GAPT Tournaments has given the umpires permission to do the following:

- 1. <u>After 2 warnings about the masks not being worn in the dugouts</u> (the coach will be restricted to the dugout- to make sure your players are wearing their masks after that it'll be an ejection... this will be like the HS UIL Jewelry rule where the coach is restricted to the dugout after the 1st warning)
- 2. <u>Metal Spikes on the mounds at both fields by a player and No Metal Spikes at all at Railroader Stadium</u> (the player is ejected or the coach is ejected... at the umpires discretion)
- 3. <u>Seeds in the dugouts at Railroader Stadium</u> (the player is ejected or the coach is ejected if seen spitting or having seeds on hand... umpires discretion and the team will be charged a \$500 clean up fee)

Anything further after ejections will result in removal from current GAPT Tournament and future GAPT Events.