**Indoor (Dome) Tournament Rules:**

1. **IF Necessary:** Midwest Tournament Directors may amend any rule, schedule, diamond location, game format, or combine age brackets as they deem necessary.
2. **Home Team:** The home team is determined by a coin toss during pool play. Once your team is seeded, the higher seed is the home team during bracket play. This also includes Championship Games ***(Unless teams are seeded the same, then coin flip)***

**Indoor Time Limits:** Pool play games can end in ties! No new Inning at 75 minutes – Finish the Current Inning. IF home team takes the lead in the bottom half of the inning when time limit hits they win.

**Foul Ball Rules/Indoor:** Batted ball that makes contact with the ceiling is a dead ball. However, if the ball makes contact with the ceiling while there is two strikes on a batter, the batter will be ruled out. Anything that hits the ceiling in foul territory is a foul ball.

3. **Innings Played:** 13u will consist of 7 inning games or until the time limit is reached.
4. **Max Runs Per Inning:** 6 runs per inning. No run limit for the final declared inning of play by the umpire.
5. **Pitching Distance and Base Lengths:**
    - 13u (54' pitching | 80' bases)
6. **Malicious Contact:** At any base is forbidden (umpire's discretion).
7. **Mercy Rules:**
    - 12 after 3 innings (home team bats if behind).
    - 10 runs after 4 innings (home team bats if behind).
    - 8 runs after 5 innings (home team bats if behind).
8. **Cleats: NO Cleats. Only Turf or Tennis Shoes Allowed**
9. **Bat Rules:**
    - 13u & under = Swing It, Bring It
10. **Courtesy Runner:** You may use a courtesy runner for a pitcher or catcher at any time. This must be someone from your bench OR if you're roster batting it would be your last recorded out.
11. **Reporting Scores:** The official scorebook is to be kept by the home team. In addition, the home team will turn in the "official" scorecard at the end of the game at the concession stand or to a director on the field. This scorecard must have signatures of both head coaches verifying the score and verifying outs recorded by each pitcher.
12. **Re-Entering:** Once a pitcher is removed from the mound, he cannot go back in to pitch in that game.
13. **Completed Game:** A game is complete after 3 innings are completed regardless of age.
14. Tie Breakers in order of how they will be used to break a tie ;
    - Wins-Loss Record

- Head to Head **(Only IF two teams are tied)**
- Fewest Runs Allowed
- Highest Total Run Differential
- Runs Scored
- Coin Flip

15. **Substitution**: If roster batting you can freely substitute. If not roster batting, once removed you cannot re-enter game.
16. **Player Count:** Team can play with as few as 8 players without taking an automatic out in the batting order. Anything lower than 8 is an automatic out in the batting order.
17. **Bracket Play Ties:** If you finish in a tie either at time limit or after the final inning, we will resort to international tiebreaker rules. The last two outs of the previous inning will begin on 1st and 2nd base with 1 out to start extra innings.

**Banned Bat List:**

2015 Demarini CF7 (-5)
2015 Easton XL1 (-5)
2016 Demarini CF8 (-5)
2016 Demarini CF8 (-8)
2016 Demarini CF8 (-10)
2017 Demarini CF Zen Balanced (-8)**
2017 Demarini CF Zen SL 2 3/4" (-10)**
2017 Demarini CF Zen Zero Dark 2 3/4" (-10)**
2017 Demarini CF Zen – Balanced (-5)
2017 Demarini CF Insane – Endloaded (-5)
Louisville Slugger Blue Meta Composite (33/30 model only)
2018 Dirty South Kamo BB KA 8 (30/22, 31/21, 32/22, 31/23, 32/24 only)
(Easton) Ghost X (30/20 only – USA Baseball Marked)

**Eligible Age of Players (Current Season)** April 30, 2023

Note: There are (2) grade exceptions allowed per team