

## **VCS League Tournament Rules**

### **Rules to comply with SPN with the following exceptions (house rules):**

1. 6 and 4 playing ratio
2. VCS Modified BC-9 rule in effect
  - a. Must start with minimum 9 players with a minimum of 3 women. Auto out is recorded in the 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> batting position. Team may insert the missing player into the auto out position in the line up provided they are ON the line-up card as a sub or starter prior to game start.
3. **Round Robin Only:** You may borrow up to 1 male and 1 female player provided they are not from a higher division if your team does not have the required number of minimum players, and only if mutually agreed by your opponent.
4. HOME TEAM in RR will be decided by a coin toss. In playoffs, higher seed is HOME TEAM.

### **Diamond Ground Rules:**

1. Diamond #1 and #2 – Ball hit in air into trees is a HR. A hit ball that bounces/rolls into trees in fair territory is a ground rule TRIPLE.
2. Diamond #6 – A hit ball to the outfield which lands on the hill/bushes will be ruled a HR. A hit ball that rolls onto the hill/bushes will be ruled a ground rule DOUBLE.
3. Umpires will confirm ground rules at pre-game coach's meeting.

### **Other Rules:**

1. 5-minute grace period max. Teams must be ready to play at game time. Teams that are late will be assessed a 3-run penalty and begin the game in the 1st inning. No extra time added. No new inning limits still pertain.
2. Home team during RR play is determined by a coin toss. Umpire will conduct the coin toss.
3. No infield or outfield warm up balls after 1<sup>st</sup> inning.
4. ANY walk to a male batter with a female on deck is awarded 2 bases. Female must bat.
5. Bats are per SPN rules.
6. No new inning after 60 minutes.
7. No bunting allowed.
8. On a ball hit to the outfield, a female batter may not be thrown out at first base by an outfielder (assume 4 outfield positions) on a first touch. Relays permitted. Tipped balls off of a defender are considered a first touch.
9. Courtesy runners allowed (3 max per game). Must not be same runner. Males cannot run for females but females may run for a male.
10. Round Robin games may end in a tie at the end of regulation time. Playoff round games will use the international rules format to determine a winner.
11. Game sheets to be submitted by WINNING TEAM to VCS league staff at beer garden area at first opportunity. Scores not received will be scored a 7-7 tie.

### **Alcohol Rules:**

1. ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL ALLOWED OUTSIDE LICENSED BEER GARDEN.
2. No outside liquor allowed.
3. Players, Coaches and fans found with open liquor outside of beer garden may result in their team being disqualified and fined. This may affect a team's registration in the league.
4. No minors permitted in Beer Garden.

### **If an injury occurs during play:**

1. Attend to injured person. Call 9-1-1 if required
2. Coordinate with umpire to ensure injury reporting is initiated.
3. Advise VCS representative.

### **VCS League Contact Numbers:**

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