



2016 Rule:		
Bat Standard	Same – all must have new USSSA thumbprint mark	Same – all must have new USSSA thumbprint mark
Balls	Only USSSA stamped balls (Classic M or Classic Plus for men and Classic W for women)	Only GSL stamped balls in all GSL State and World Tournament play. GSL or USSSA stamped balls may be used in all other events.
Courtesy Runner	1 Per Inning, must be last recorded out. Page 50 Section 13 Rule Book. If an appeal is made, improper runner is out and ejected.	May be anyone on the roster and may be used unlimited times for one player per inning. No substitution for a courtesy runner.
Designated Homerun Hitter	None currently	Player who, without penalty, may hit a homerun every time at bat. Teams must designate their DHH prior to the start of the game. Should the DHH be walked (intentional or not) the next person to hit a home run may do so without penalty until the DHH's spot comes back up in the lineup.
Choice of First or Last Bat	Decided by coin toss unless otherwise stated in rules of organization	Decided by DOUBLE toss of coin unless otherwise stated in rules of organization
Run Rules		
Men's A	25 after 3, 20 after 4, 15 after 5 with accompanying flip flop rules	25 after 3, 20 after 4, 15 after 5 No flip flop rules
Men's B	25 after 3, 20 after 4, 15 after 5 with accompanying flip flop rules	25 after 3, 20 after 4, 15 after 5 No flip flop rules
Men's C	25 after 3, 20 after 4, 15 after 5 with accompanying flip flop rules	25 after 3, 20 after 4, 15 after 5 No flip flop rules
Men's D	20 after 3, 15 after 4, 10 after 5 with accompanying flip flop rules	20 after 3, 15 after 4, 10 after 5 No flip flop rules
Men's E	20 after 3, 15 after 4, 10 after 5 with accompanying flip flop rules	20 after 3, 15 after 4, 10 after 5 No flip flop rules

Home Run Rules		
Men's A	8 – all others are out	DHH plus 8 – all others are outs
Men's B	6 – all others are outs	DHH plus 6 – all others are outs
Men's C	4 – all others are outs	DHH plus 4 – all others are outs
Men's D	2 – all others are outs	DHH plus 2 – all others are outs
Men's E	0 – inning ending out and offensive ejection	DHH only – all others are inning ending outs
Profanity Rule		No shouting of profanity allowed – umpire can eject without warning using sole discretion
Re-Entry	Any starting player may withdraw and re-enter once to same batting position. Substitutes who are withdrawn may not re-enter	Double re-entry is allowed. Teams can substitute all players a maximum of 2 times per game into the same batting position.
Pitching Arc	3' from pitchers hand and max 10' from ground	5' from ground and max 10' from ground
Pitchers Mask		If pitcher wears mask once the pitcher begins the delivery they may not remove the mask
Illegal Pitches		No verbal or visual calling of illegal pitches
Base Runner Out	When a base runner is struck by a fair, batted ball on fair ground while off his base and before it touches a fielder or passes a fielder	When a base runner is struck by a fair, batted ball on fair ground while off his base and before it touches a fielder or passes a fielder.
Base Runner Out	When a defensive player clearly has the ball and is waiting for the runner and the runner deliberately and forcefully runs into the defensive player, the runner is declared out. The offender shall be ejected, the ball is dead and all other runners must return to the last base touched at the time of the collision.	When a base runner jumps over a defensive player waiting to tag, the runner is out. If the feet go over waist high, or if the defensive player is kneeling, and the base runner's feet go above the head of the defensive player, the base runner is not only out but may be ejected from the game. If in an umpire's judgment, it all happened in the spur of the moment, and was not intention, the runner will just be called out.