



## **CALIFORNIA STORM**

### **2024 ADULT TOURNAMENTS**

The following rules are designed to conserve time and eliminate confusion. Please follow them, as they **WILL** be enforced.

1. The tournament Directors decisions are final.
2. Play with the team you came with. (U.S.A. Rules apply) No team jumping. **If you are team jumping, you will automatically be ejected from the tournament.**
3. Umpires have Official Time. Teams are responsible for verifying time at game start and end.
4. Game time is forfeit time. No new inning will start after **55 minutes**. Time limit is 60 minutes.
5. Teams must be at field ready to play 10 minutes prior to scheduled game time. In pool play games, coin flip will determine home team. In single elimination games, the higher seed will be the home team. NOTE: In bracket games with no seeding, coin flip will determine the home team.
6. Run rule: 20 after 4 innings, and 15 after 5 innings including championship game.
7. Ties: after time expires or 7 innings. Game will immediately go into the tie-breaker system, last batter will be placed on second base. This will continue until winner is decided.
8. Batters begin with a 1 ball and 1 strike count. **NO EXTRA FOUL.**
9. Strike will consist of a mat and will be 6 to 12 foot arc.
10. **Home Runs – 4 per game/team.**
11. **MEN’S - One courtesy runner per inning / last out. COED – One courtesy runner per inning per gender.**
12. Teams may start a game with 8 players.
13. Teams may bat 12 players.
14. **COED Rules:** Teams may play with 6-Males and 4-Females. Runner must cross the ‘scoring line’ instead of the home plate. When a male receives a base-on-balls or intentional walk, he will be awarded first and second base. The female batter MUST bat with less than two outs. If there are two outs, the female batter has the option to bat or take the walk to first base. **NOTE: Men will hit a 12” ball. Women will hit a 11” ball. No 200’ line.**
15. No steel cleats. **IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OR EJECTION.** All bats must meet current U.S.A. approval and / or tourney restrictions.
16. In the event of weather delays a one pitch rule will be enforced to remedy schedule conflicts. All other rules are U.S.A. All other questions are covered by Rule #1.