



## **2019 SIWSL TOURNAMENT PLAYOFF RULES JULY 19/20**

1. HOME TEAM IS DETERMINED BY HIGHER SEED
2. ALL GAMES MUST DETERMINE A WINNER, THIS IS A DOUBLE KNOCK-OUT FORMAT. CHAMPIONSHIP GAME WILL BE A SINGLE GAME FINAL.
3. UMPIRES TO GO OVER GROUND RULES, CHECK LINE-UPS & BASE SET UP WITH COACHES DURING THE PRE-GAME MEETING
4. MERCY RULE FOR ALL GAMES (15 RUN DIFFERENCE AFTER 4 INNINGS, 10 RUN DIFFERENCE AFTER 5 INNINGS)
5. **TIME LIMITS:**
  - FRIDAY GAMES (JULY 19)
    - o CENTRAL 1 \*NO NEW INNING AFTER 1 HR ((Game 2 immediately after)
    - o HYACINTH \*NO NEW INNING AFTER 1 HR. (Game 2 immediately after)
  - SATURDAY GAMES (JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>)
    - o \*NO NEW INNING AFTER 1 HR. 10 MIN.
  - *EXCEPTION*
    - o SEMI FINAL & FINAL GAMES: #13 DIAMOND #2 @12:00, #15 DIAMOND #3 @ 1:30 & FINAL GAME #16 DIAMOND #3 @3:00 PM PLAY A FULL 7 INNING GAME, NO TIME LIMIT (UNLESS MERCY AS ABOVE)
6. 5 RUNS PER INNING MAXIMUM UNTIL OPEN INNING IS CALLED (DOES NOT HAVE TO BE THE 7<sup>TH</sup> INNING)
7. **TIE-BREAKER RULE**\_AS DEFINED IN SOFTBALL CANADA RULE **5.7** SHOULD A GAME BE TIED AFTER A REGULATION PLAY (AFTER OPEN INNING CALLED), THE VISITING TEAM IN THE TOP OF THE EXTRA INNING WILL PLACE THE BATTER WHO WAS **LAST TO BAT IN THE PREVIOUS INNING ON 2<sup>ND</sup> BASE WITH NONE OUT**
8. **HOME RUNS: LEAGUE HOME RUN RULE WILL APPLY ON FENCED FIELDS ONLY**
  - *SATURDAY GAMES ARE PLAYED ON OPEN FIELDS THEREFORE HOME RUNS ARE UNLIMITED*
9. NO COMMITMENT LINE IN EFFECT
10. NO AUTOMATIC OUT, A TEAM CAN PLAY WITH 9 PLAYERS WITH NO PENALTY

**\*THE ABOVE RULES ARE THE MAIN POINTS COVERED, SOFTBALL CANADA RULES & SIWSL RULES & REGULATIONS REMAIN IN EFFECT WHERE APPLICABLE**