



Marin Summer Slam 2026

Supplemental Tournament Rules

Friday, July 10th – Sunday, July 12th

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SCORING

Home team will keep score using their own scorebook or app (Gamechanger, etc.). At the conclusion of each game, the home team will confirm the final score with the umpires. Umpires will submit the yellow score card to the admin desk and text an image of the card to **Anna Krevets – 415.286.3051**, who will update the Norcal website.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

- No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the premises or parking areas.
- No smoking or tobacco products are allowed on any playing sites.
- Well-behaved, leashed pets are allowed at Memorial Park.
- E-bikes must be walked at all sites.
- **NO metal cleats** at Red Hill Park and San Domenico School turf fields
- Managers are responsible for the conduct of their players and fans. Any player, coach, or fan that displays unsportsmanlike conduct on or off the field or causes any incident or action unfavorable to the tournament, may be removed from the grounds.
- Home team: Will be determined by coin flip for pool play. The highest seed is the home team for bracket play on Sunday. The home team book is the official scorebook.
- Dugouts: Team listed first on the schedule is 3rd base dugout, unless previously occupied.
- Bats & helmets: All decisions by umpires on equipment are final.
- No field usage for warm-ups: No use of the fields is allowed before the meeting at home plate has concluded.
- Please allow teams from the prior game to exit fields before entering the dugout.
- Protests: The UIC will handle all protests on the spot. The game time will be stopped. The UIC will be notified. The umpires will notify the UIC which rule the team is protesting. **Remember a judgment call cannot be protested.** The tournament UIC and the tournament director's decision is final on all protests.
- Ejections: Anyone who is ejected from a game by the umpire must leave sight and sound of the facility for the remainder of the game. TD and UIC will determine the length of the ejection for the weekend.
- Rosters: Please upload your roster to USAsoftball.com by **July 6, 2026**. The tournament director will handle any player eligibility protests. The tournament director's decision is final.
- Please use the official Championship roster listed on the USA softball website.

TOURNAMENT SEEDING:

- Seeding for Sunday will be based on W/L record. If two teams have the same record, tiebreakers will be as follows:
 1. Head-to-head (Used only when all tied teams have played each other.)
 2. Fewest runs allowed
 3. Most runs scored
 4. Computer generated coin toss.
- **USA softball website may not be correct until brackets are released.**
- Game results will be posted at the administration tables and on the [norcalusa.com site](https://www.norcalusa.com).
- Teams with 4 games will draw a number after their last game to determine which game doesn't count.
- On Sunday, teams will play in single elimination bracket play (based on their overall pool placement) in gold or gold/silver brackets, depending on the size of the division.



All Divisions Tournament Rules / USA Softball Rule Modifications

All games shall be governed by the 2026 USA Softball Official Rule Book with the following exceptions:

1. **Subs:** Unlimited substitutions for Pool Play.
2. **Proof of Age:** is required & the burden lies w/ the manager if challenged.
3. **Protests:** All protests on rule interpretations will be determined by the umpire, tournament staff or UIC at the point of protest and their decision is final.
4. **Home Team:** A coin toss will determine the home team at the start of each game for Pool Play.
5. **Dugouts:** For Pool play, the team listed first on the schedule will be in the 3rd base dugout. On Sunday, the higher seed will be in the 3rd base dugout **unless already occupied due to back-to-back games.**
6. **Turf Fields – San Domenico and Red Hill Park:** No metal cleats. **Cones will be used in the outfield.** Ball hit over the cones = homerun. Ball rolls through cones = ground rule double.
7. **Game Length:** No new inning will start after 70 minutes or 7 innings. Except for the Sunday championship games which will be no new innings starting after 80 minutes. Games may end in a tie during pool play. On Sunday if there is a tie after the time limit expires or 7 innings, games will go to the international tiebreaker (the last out of the last inning will start at 2nd base.)
8. **Run rule:** If a team is ahead by 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 and 8 after 5 innings the game will end and the team leading will get the win.
9. **Lineups:** must be given to ump & other team before each game, & include numbers, first & last names.
10. **Scorebook:** Home team is the official scorebook. Final score should be reported by **umps texting an image of the yellow card to Anna Krevets – 415.286.3051** after each game.
11. Game time is forfeit time. **GAMES CAN START UP TO 15 MINUTES EARLY AT THE UMPIRES DISCRETION WITHIN REASON.** Please be prepared to play!
12. Games may shift fields within the same location if a field is available sooner.
13. Any player who has been rendered unconscious or seriously injured in the opinion of the umpires or tournament staff may not resume play without written consent of a physician.
14. Courtesy runners for pitcher and catcher only. For Pool Play, a player off the bench or last out may be used. On Sunday, only a player on the bench who has not yet played may be used.
15. For pool play, everyone on your team can bat and there are unlimited substitutions. Regular USA softball batting/substitution rules apply on Sunday. During pool play, if a player cannot continue, there will be no automatic out penalty for the vacant spot in the batting order. On Sunday, USA softball rules apply.
16. For bracket play, a DP/Flex and/or EP in a lineup is allowed per USA softball rules.
17. Coaches are allowed to sit on buckets in designated areas. All other coaches must be in the dugout. For a ball in play near a coach, the coach is responsible for removing the bucket to be clear of the play. If the coach or bucket interfere, normal interference rules apply.



8U Division Tournament Rules / USA Softball Rule Modifications

All 8U games will be governed by NorCal 8U C Tournament Rules with the following exceptions:

General Rules:

1. No new inning will start after 70 minutes or 6 innings. Except for the Sunday championship games which will be no new innings starting after 80 minutes. Games may end in a tie during pool play. On Sunday if there is a tie after the time limit expires or 7 innings, games will go to the international tiebreaker (the last out of the last inning will start at 2nd base.)
2. For the first 3 innings, there will be a 5 run per inning maximum. Open thereafter.
3. 10 run, run-rule after 3 innings.
4. Any player who has been rendered unconscious or seriously injured in the opinion of the umpires or tournament staff may not resume play without written consent of a physician.

Base Running:

1. Lead off permitted on release.
2. Runners may steal one base per pitch.
3. No advancement on an errant throw.
4. No stealing home.
5. No stealing or lead off when the coach is pitching.

Fielding:

1. 10 players may be allowed on defense in the field at any one time, four of which must be outfielders. Outfielders must position themselves at least 10 feet behind the baseline.
2. No Infield Fly Rule.
3. Play stops when a ball, hit to the outfield, gets in the control of the pitcher **in the pitching circle**.

Batting:

1. No dropped 3rd strike.
2. Everyone bats and free defensive substitutions.
3. Bunting is allowed. Exception: No bunting off coach/pitch.

Pitching:

1. Pitching distance: Player and Coach **30 feet**.
2. Players will pitch to the opposing team. 2 inning limit for pitchers, plus 1 additional if the game goes more than 4 innings. One pitch in an inning constitutes a complete inning.
3. No walks.
4. A coach/pitcher will enter the circle when 4 balls have been called by the umpire. Coach must pitch "legal" pitches from pitching rubber.
5. A coach/pitcher will resume the player/pitcher strike count and throw no more pitches than the strike count allows.
6. If the pitch is not put into play by the last pitch, the batter is out. Exception: If the last pitch is a foul ball, pitching continues until the ball is hit and put in play or the batter is called out.
7. Batters will NOT be awarded a base on a Hit by Pitch from a coach/pitcher, but will by player/pitcher.
8. If a batted ball hits the coach/pitcher the ball is dead, and the batter is out. At no time shall the coach/pitcher obstruct play.
9. Player/Pitcher must have one foot in the circle at the time the coach/pitcher is pitching.
10. Coach/Pitcher must stay in the circle during play and **MAY NOT** provide assistance during the play.
11. If a game goes extra innings, any player may pitch during extra innings, even if the player already pitched the allowed innings. Extra innings are any inning after the sixth inning.

