

**KANKAKEE VALLEY ASSOCIATION
BASEBALL & SOFTBALL
BY LAWS**

Revised for the 2026 season

- ❖ These rules amended will replace all previous years.
- ❖ The organization shall be known as the Kankakee Valley Baseball Softball Association and shall be operated subject to all State and Federal Laws.
- ❖ The Kankakee Valley Baseball/Softball Association (hereafter referred to as “KVA”) is a recreational program formed in 1954 by volunteers to teach the fundamentals of the sport, sportsmanship, fair play and good citizenship on and off the field. This program is intended for girls and boys regardless of race, national origin, or religion.
- ❖ The officers of the KVA consist of President, Vice President of Baseball, Vice President of Fastpitch, Secretary/Treasurer, Umpire in Chief (hereafter referred to as the Board). Each office will be a one-year term.
- ❖ New clubs shall be added by majority of membership. Clubs will be entitled to vote in the sport in which they field teams.
- ❖ Each KVA Associated Club will conduct annual background checks on all managers, coaches, board of director’s members, umpires and any other persons, volunteers or hired workers who provide regular service to the league and/or have repetitive access to or contact with players or teams prior to assuming his/her duties for the current season. All KVA associated clubs will conduct a search of the applicable government operated stated wide sex offender registry and criminal background check through the appropriate governmental agency unless prohibited by law. Each KVA associated club shall not permit any person to participate in any manner, whose background check reveals a conviction or guilty plea for any crime that may deem an individual unfit to work with minors. If the KVA becomes aware of information by any means whatsoever, that an individual, including but not limited to, volunteers, players and hired workers, has been convicted of or pled guilty to any crime involving or against a minor, the KVA will contact the applicable government agency to confirm the accuracy of the information. Upon confirmation of a conviction for, or guilty plea to, a crime against or involving a minor, the KVA shall not permit the individual to participate in any manner.
- ❖ Anyone found not following KVA By Laws & Rules may be called before the KVA Board and could risk suspension or expulsion.

I. KANKAKEE VALLEY ASSOCIATION

A. MEETINGS

1. A quorum to conduct business shall be a majority of voting members. Voting members consist of the Town President (or proxy) and the Executive Board.
2. Each member is entitled to one vote.
3. Any proxy votes must be in written form or emailed 24 hours prior to the meeting to the KVA Secretary from the Town President.
4. Election of officers shall take place in October. The offices open for election are President, VP of Baseball, VP of Softball, Secretary, Treasurer and Umpire in Chief.
5. There should be one meeting per month in June, September, October, November & December. There should be two meetings per month in January, February, March & April. Meetings will be at the discretion of the board.
6. Any club/town may request a meeting of the KVA. The KVA President shall schedule such meeting. The reason for the meeting must be stated at the time of the request. The KVA officials do not have the right to refuse.

B. OFFICERS RESPONSIBILITIES

1. PRESIDENT:

- a) Presides over the KVA meetings. This includes regularly scheduled, executive board and special/emergency meetings.
- b) Serve as an ex-officio member of all committees of this Board.
- c) Be part of the Ejection/Protest Committee.
- d) Verify or delegate who verifies roster.

2. VICE PRESIDENT SOFTBALL:

- a) Presides over the meeting in the absence of the President & Secretary.
- b) Will take care of any public relation matters pertaining to softball.
- c) Be part of the Ejection/Protest Committee.
- d) Will handle any questions/concerns pertaining to softball.
- e) Answer/respond to any questions/concerns on the KVA website relevant to softball

3. VICE PRESIDENT BASEBALL:

- a) Presides over the meeting in the absence of the President, Secretary & VP of SB.
- b) Will take care of any public relation matters pertaining to baseball.
- c) Be part of the Ejection/Protest Committee.
- d) Will handle any questions/concerns pertaining to baseball.
- e) Answer/respond to any questions/concerns on the KVA website relevant to baseball.

4. SECRETARY:

- a) Shall run the meeting in absence of the President or when the President has remove themselves for the sake of discussion.
- b) Keep minutes for all executive, regular & ejection/protest meetings.
- c) Provide written minutes for approval at each meeting. Provide copies or email for all clubs.
- d) Will keep track of all records except for those maintained by the Treasurer.
- e) Will delegate duties to the Treasurer in their absence.
- f) Will keep a copy of the rosters on file for all towns.
- g) Will assume responsibilities of the President if they should resign, until and election meeting can be call.

5. TREASURER

- a) Pay bills as agreed by the Board.
- b) Maintain records of fees owed and paid by each Club/Town.
- c) Maintain bank account records and provide copy of the most recent bank statement each month.
- d) Maintain team rosters to secure insurance on behalf of the KVA.
- e) Follow up on any insurance claims submitted and maintain records of such claims.
- f) Order all trophies, ribbons &/or medallions for season and tournament awards.
- g) May delegate duties to the Secretary in their absence.

6. UMPIRE IN CHIEF:

- a) This shall be a standing committee.
- b) All town/club UIC's will serve on this committee.

- c) The Chair of this committee will be the KVA UIC.
 - d) Will keep an ejection log.
 - e) Keep the league president informed about all ejections.
 - f) Organize town umpire in chief contact sheet.
7. **TOWN PRESIDENT:**
- a) Responsible for upholding all KVA rules and regulations.
 - b) Responsible for providing "Umpire Scorecards"
 - c) Shall verify all rosters within their town/club.
 - d) Shall be responsible for verifying the age of each player according to KVA rules.
 - e) Shall attend all KVA meeting or send a representative.
 - 1) If the Club President cannot attend, please refer to I.A.3
 - 2) If a town is not represented at two (2) meetings, they shall be put on probation. If during the probationary period a club is again not represented they may be subject to expulsion from the KVA.
 - f) Responsible for providing the KVA President with a list of volunteers that background checks have been performed on by April 1st.
 - g) Responsible for ensuring games scores are reported
- C. **COACHES & ASSISTANT COACHES**
- 1. All head coaches must be at least eighteen (18) years of age. NO EXCEPTIONS will be made.
 - 2. All assistant coaches will be at least fifteen (15) years of age.
 - 3. Any assistant coach seventeen (17) years of age and under & still a high school student will be required to wear a helmet when coaching on the field during a game.
 - 4. All coaches are required to sign the KVA Coaches Code of Ethics prior to the first game.
- D. **UMPIRES**
- 1. All umpires for 6U Tee ball & 8U must be at least fifteen (15) years of age.
 - 2. All home plate umpires for 10U – 14U must be at least seventeen (17) years of age.
 - 3. All base umpires for 10U – 14U must be at least sixteen (16) years of age.
 - 4. Anyone wishing to umpire MUST attend a mandatory Umpire's Clinic.
 - 5. All umpires must take and pass, with an 80% or higher, the KVA Umpire's Clinic test.
 - a) Umpires may take the test a maximum of two (2) times per season.
 - 6. Towns that wish to use their own umpires for an away game must have also attended the clinic.
 - 7. Umpires are responsible for filing out an Umpire Scorecard.
 - 8. The home plate umpire will be required to wear full protective gear, which includes shin guards, chest protector & face mask while positioned behind home plate.
 - 9. All umpires will be paid a MINIMUM amount of:
 - a) Home plate umpires - \$25 per game.
 - b) If there is a second umpire on the bases - \$15 per game.
 - 10. IHSAA, NSA, ASA, BPA umpires will be able to umpire without attending a KVA clinic if they have attended a KVA rules meeting.
 - 11. The home team will furnish the home plate umpire and have the option of one other.
 - 12. The visiting team may provide two (2) umpires that have attended the KVA's Umpires clinic or a similar clinic, to umpire first and third base. The visiting team will be responsible for paying any umpires they bring.
 - 13. The home umpire will be the UIC.
 - 14. The UIC will call the foul lines and be responsible for explain the ground rules & calling games because of weather or darkness.
 - 15. If an umpire has been banned from umpiring in one town, the KVA UIC must be notified immediately and a meeting of the KVA Board will be called before they are permitted to umpire in another town.

16. It would be advisable for the UIC to check with each team after each HALF inning to assure there is agreement as to what the score is.
17. Harmony among the umpires is a must for a well umpired game. *Rule 10.1.4: "Any umpire's decision which involves judgment, such as whether a hit is fair or foul, whether a pitch is a strike or ball, or whether a runner is safe or out, is final. If there is a reasonable doubt about some decision conflicting with the rules, the coach or captain may ask that the correct ruling be made. The umpire making the decision may ask another umpire for information before making a final decision. The use of videotape by game officials for the purpose of making calls or rendering decisions is prohibited. No umpire shall criticize or interfere with another umpire's decision unless asked by the one making it. NOTE: The plate umpire sometimes asks for aid from the base umpire when there is a question as to whether a batter's half-swing is to be called a strike. As an aid in deciding, the umpire shall note whether the swing carried the barrel portion of the bat in front of the batter's body and in the direction of the infield, but the final decision is based on whether the batter struck at the ball. In general, the umpires are representative of KVA and should conduct themselves in a manner with fair play. It is the duty or responsibility of the umpire not to coach.*

E. FEES AND INSURANCE

1. Each club will be required to pay \$50 per team/per year that is entered in the KVA.
2. Each club will be required to pay \$150 per year.
3. All clubs must obtain insurance to cover players, managers, coaches, bat boys/girls & umpires. This coverage must also include practices. Proof of insurance must be filed with the KVA Treasure prior to any scheduled practices or games. This is a secondary policy.

II. GAME CONDUCT

A. SPORTSMANSHIP

1. KVA has adopted a zero-tolerance rule. Any harassment of anyone associated with the game by managers, coaches, players, or fans will not be tolerated. (Harassment includes but is not limited to: arguing, yelling, threatening with actions or words, throwing equipment, running onto the field, and use of profane language directed toward someone else). ANYONE who harasses any official (umpire, scorekeeper, league rep, managers, coaches or players) will be immediately ejected from the ballpark. It should be apparent the KVA Officers, along with the Board of Presidents are no longer going to tolerate unsportsmanlike conduct on the part of anyone associated with the game, including fans. Adults need to set good examples for the children, who are looking at adults as role models.
2. No excessive noisemakers are allowed in any division. This is at the discretion of the umpire.
3. The KVA Officers, along with the Board of Presidents, reserve the right to expel from the ranks, any manager, coach, player, or parent they determine to be incompatible with the objectives of the KVA.
4. All players are also expected to exhibit respect always toward themselves, their teammates, and anyone else associates with the league (managers, coaches, umpires, board members, etc.)
 - a) If it is found that any player is behaving in a manner inconsistent with the objectives of the KVA (includes but is not limited to: good sportsmanship, fair play and good citizenship) or in a manner that is detrimental to the overall well-being of the team, a warning will be issued. If a second offense occurs, the player will be expelled from the KVA.
 - b) Any player who is expelled from the KVA does have the right to appeal this decision.

B. TOBACCO, DRUGS & ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

1. There will be no tobacco, illegal drugs, alcohol, vaping or e-cigs by ANYONE on the playing field, in the dugouts, on the benches, or in the spectator areas. The host club will be responsible for enforcement of this rule.
 - a) The UIC should first direct that manager to speak to the offenders in hopes of avoiding complications. Failure on the part of the manager to speak to the offender(s) could result in forfeiture of the game for the club responsible.

C. COACHES CODE OF ETHICS

1. All head coaches are required to sign and adhere to the KVA Coaches Code of Ethics.
2. Any complaints on coaches or assistants should be taken to the Town President of that coach. The Town President will the contact the sport specific VP who will then notify the KVA President.

D. EJECTIONS

1. An ejection can be made before, during or after a game.

2. If a person is ejected from a game, they are ejected from that game as well as the next game.
3. An umpire will make an attempt to warn a person before ejecting them from a game. If the problem persists the person will be ejected.
4. Anyone ejected a second time during the season will be suspended for the rest of the season.
5. All ejections must be noted in both scorebooks.
6. **STEPS IN AN EJECTION:**
 - a) If a person is ejected from the game, they must either leave the park or remain in the parking lot for the duration of the game. They are not permitted to return to the field of play.
 - b) If the problem persists from the parking lot, the umpire will have the coach of the team that is associated with the ejected person notify them they must leave the parking lot (premises) or the team will be forced to forfeit.
 - c) The ejected person is also ejected from their teams next schedule game. The ejected person will be barred from the park and not allowed within sight of the park. If the ejected person shows up (as a spectator or sits on the team bench) their team will automatically forfeit the game and the individual will serve a second suspension. If the ejected person shows up to their second suspended game their team will again be forced to forfeit and the person will be suspended for the rest of the season.

E. MISCELLANEOUS

1. Use of cell phones as a communication device, either texting or talking, is prohibited by all coaches, assistants, players or umpires on the field of play during the game.

III. TEAM ROSTER

A. OFFICIAL ROSTERS

1. All team counts & initial rosters must be turned in to the KVA by March 1st.
2. Final team rosters must be turned in by May 1st to the KVA VP of BB &/or VP of FP. No additions to rosters are permitted after May 1st without the KVA Boards approval.
3. A team roster will consist of ten (10) players for 6U, 8U & 10U baseball & fastpitch. Ten (10) players for 12U softball. Nine (9) players for 12U/14U/ BB & 14U FP. No more than fifteen (15) whenever possible.
4. VPBB or VPFP will provide an “Official Roster” for each team to each President.
5. Players can only play on one sport specific roster. Ex: a baseball player can only waiver up to another baseball team & a fastpitch player can only waive up to another fastpitch team.
6. Players are restricted to one roster.
 - a) Teams may play rostered players from lower division teams, from the same town, if they meet the age requirements, without adding them to their roster.
 - b) A copy of the birth certificate or certified roster for the waived player must be present.
7. Coaches must carry an official certified roster.
 - a) Failure to provide a copy of the roster will result in forfeiture of the game.
8. Players from a disband league may also be added to any team in the KVA.
9. Players are not permitted to participate in practice or game until they have been “certified” through the KVA. Certification means the KVA VPBB &/or VPFP has been provided a copy of the players birth certificate and the coach has been issued a signed roster.

B. WAIVERS & OTHER EXCEPTIONS

1. Players changing their permanent address during the season may remain with their original team or play with the club nearest to their new residence providing there is room on that teams roster.
2. A player must play with the club they played with in the previous year unless they moved their residence or were given written release from the president of the losing club.
3. A rostered player can waive up one division, only when necessary to get the minimum number of players to field a team and on this occasion, no rostered players will sit the bench.
 - a) Only players that are needed to fill defensive positions are allowed in the batting order.
 - b) A waived-up player is not permitted to pitch.
 - c) A waived child must maintain priority with their rostered team. Including practice.
4. There will be no waivers down to lower division.
5. Town to town waivers must be signed prior to rosters being submitted.
6. The KVA Board has the final decision of waivers from town to town.

C. COACHES

1. Coaches will be held accountable for the eligibility of their players. Ineligible players used in a game will result in immediate forfeiture of any game the illegal player participated in. KVA Board will handle the reprimand of the coach and player.
2. A list of all players, substitutes and lower division players must be turned over to the opposing manager prior to the game.
3. Lower division player must be indicated.
4. Discipline players must be indicated and do not have to play.

IV: GENERAL GAME RULES

A. GAME TIMES

1. Game schedule will be done by April 20th unless the KVA president authorizes longer.
2. Starting times for each division are as follows:

DAY	TIME	TIME LIMIT	DIVISION	SPORT
MONDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	12U	FASTPITCH
TUESDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	12U	BASEBALL
TUESDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	10U	FASTPITCH
TUESDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	8U	BASEBALL
WEDNESDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	14U	BASEBALL
WEDNESDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	14U	FASTPITCH
THURSDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	10U	BASEBALL
THURSDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	8U	FASTPITCH
FRIDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	12U	BASEBALL
FRIDAY	6PM	NO INNING STARTS AFTER 8PM	12U	FASTPITCH
SATURDAY	9AM	1.5 HOURS FINISH THE INNING	8U	BASEBALL
SATURDAY	11AM	1.5 HOURS FINISH THE INNING	8U	FASTPITCH
SATURDAY	1PM	2 HOURS FINISH THE INNING	10U	BASEBALL
SATURDAY	3:30PM	2 HOURS FINISH THE INNING	10U	FASTPITCH
SUNDAY	1:30PM	1.5 HOURS FINISH THE INNING	6U	BB & FP
SUNDAY	4PM	NO TIME LIMIT	14U	BASEBALL
SUNDAY	4PM	NO TIME LIMIT	14U	FASTPITCH

3. A team will have a fifteen (15) minute grace period to get the home field playable or to get to an away game. If either does not comply with the above said rule; said team will be forced to forfeit as designated by the home plate umpire except for overlapping games. This is a grace period! Teams are not to take advantage of this. Games should start at the schedule start times. Grace periods are included in the game time limit.
4. During the regular season, if lights are available, they can be used, if both coaches agree.
 - a) This is to be discussed and decided before the game with both coaches and the umpire.
 - b) This rule is NOT intended to extend the game time past 8pm. It is simply to assist at the beginning of the season when it gets dark earlier.
5. A new inning begins once the third out has been made in the bottom half of the previous inning.
6. All games should be played until they are "official". An official game is 3 ½ or 4 innings in a 6-inning game, or 4 ½ or 5 innings in a 7-inning game. 6U & 8U is an exception to this rule.

B. GROUND RULES

1. Prior to the beginning of the game, coaches & umpires must agree to the field conditions, field markings, measurements and pitching machine settings.
 - a) If an error is found, in the middle of an inning, the entire inning must be finished prior to correcting.

2. All foul lines will be permanently marked.
3. DIAMOND SAFETY:
 - a) Home plate must be firmly fastened with no loose corners and cannot protrude more than one inch above the ground.
 - b) Bases must be firmly fastened and cannot be torn or damaged.
 - c) Pitching rubbers must be secured, not damaged, and level with the surrounding ground of the pitcher's mound. The rubbers not being used must be covered with dirt.
 - d) All fields are required to have a first base safety bag. Safety bag must be orange and in foul territory.
4. Home clubs should designate out of play areas prior to the start of the game.
5. Home run fence, line or boundaries should be designated.
6. Ground rule double boundaries, such as roads or pavements, etc, in fair territory should also be designated.
7. Balls thrown into, thru, under or over out of play areas are dead balls. If a runner is in the process of running the bases, they will be given the base they are going to.
8. Runners must use orange safety bag on an infield hit. If the ball is thrown into foul territory, the runner must use the white bag. The white bag can be used if the ball goes beyond the infielder's normal position. The object is to avoid collision.
9. In case of a wild pitch or pass ball going out of play, the ball is dead. Runners will advance one (1) base from the base they were at when the pitch occurred.
10. The home plate umpire will have jurisdiction on foul ball calls.
11. The runner may over run first base on a walk, however if an athletic attempt is made to advance to second base the runner may be tagged out.

C. EQUIPMENT

1. All base runners must wear protective headgear.
2. Each batter must wear a full batting helmet.
 - a) The umpire shall declare any batter out who enters the batter's box without a protective helmet.
3. Catchers must wear a mask, chest protector, shin guards & throat protector (if the throat/neck are exposed). They may use any type of mitt. Male catchers must wear a protective cup.
4. Any player warming up a pitcher must wear a mask.
5. Bats must be sport specific. Baseball bats can only be used for baseball & softball/fastpitch bats can only be used for fastpitch.
6. NO JEWELRY will be allowed. Players in the game are prohibited from wearing jewelry such as rings, watches, earrings, bracelets, necklaces (including cloth or string types), barrettes or other cosmetic or decorative items that are hard. Religious and medical alert medals are not considered jewelry. A religious medal must be taped and worn under the uniform. A medical alert must be taped and may be visible.
 - a) On the first offense, the team will be issued a warning.
 - b) On the second and any subsequent offenses the player(s) will be called "out".
7. Springs on the pitching machines must be replaced at the beginning of each season and at the start of tournaments.
8. Metal cleats are strictly prohibited in all divisions
9. Anyone on the field of play, including but not limited to players, coaches & umpires must not have open toe or open heeled shoes on. Anyone found with open toed shoes will be asked to leave the field immediately.

D. CANCELLATIONS & RESCHEDULING

1. In the event of a rainout, darkness or a game being cancelled due to field conditions from inclement weather, the hosting Town President will reschedule the game within a week from the time of the original game.
2. If a game is called for rain or darkness before a game is "official", the game must resume in the exact spot it was called.
3. If the game is called either for rain or darkness after a game is "official", the game is over. The final score is the score at the end of the last inning, unless home team has scored more runs than the visitors have in the incomplete innings.

4. Once a game has started it is up to the umpire's discretion to call the game either for rain or darkness.
5. The host manager will be responsible for notifying the visiting manager if the game is cancelled due to field conditions resulting from inclement weather. This notification should take place as soon as possible as a courtesy to the visiting team.
6. If the weather becomes inclement after teams have arrived for the game or after the game has started; there is a 15-minute grace period. Ex: If before or during the game, it starts to rain &/or lightning, players will be pulled off the field for no longer than 15 minutes.
7. All scheduled games will be played prior to regular season trophies being handed out. If all games are not played a team will forfeit their standings.
8. If a team cannot field a legal team due to a sanctioned academic school event, they are responsible for notifying the opposing teams coach no less than 48 hours prior to the game.
9. Make up games can be schedule at 8pm under lights. Both coaches and town president must agree.
 - a) Games can only be scheduled at 8pm on Friday & Saturday nights during the school year and any day after the school year is over.
 - b) No inning is to start after 10pm.

E. TROPHIES

1. Season awards will be given to the first & second place winners in each division.
2. Hosting club for tournament will purchase trophies for season and tournament for which divisions they host.
3. Division standings will be determined by the following:
 - a) Winning percentage
 - b) Head to head
 - c) Coin flip

F. PROTESTS

1. All protests must be made in writing and submitted to the protesting town's president within 72 hours of the game. The town president will then decide if it is a valid protest and forward to the KVA President within 24 hours.
2. A \$50 fee will be charged for all protests that are forwarded to the KVA President. The protesting club will be required to pay the fee.
 - a) If the protest is won, the \$50 will be refunded.
 - b) If the protest is lost, the \$50 is to be given to the KVA Protest Committee.
3. Intent to protest must be made in accordance with the Appeal Procedure & Guidelines of the NFHS.
4. After a protest is reviewed, if the protest was NOT upheld the result of the game will stand. If the protest is upheld the game will be played from the point at which the red lines were place in the scorebook, which is when the protest was called.
5. Any umpires call that involves judgment (ball/strike, fair/foul, interference/obstructions, etc.) cannot be protested.
6. The protest committee will consist of the KVA President, UIC & sport specific VP. All parties will be allowed to state their case before a decision is made. The committee will notify both parties of the final decision.

STEPS IN A PROTEST ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- a) Notify the UIC at the time of the protest, stating the reason for the protest.
- b) A red line will be drawn in both scorebooks where the protest is made.
- c) The game will finish in its entirety.
- d) A written protest and \$50 is to be submitted to the club president within 72 hours of the protest.
- e) The town president or the protesting team will review the protest and decide if it is a valid protest. They have 24 hours to forward the written protest and the fee to the KVA President.
- f) KVA Officials will have 48 hours to rule on the protest.

V. TOURNAMENT

A. TOURNAMENT

1. End of season tournament locations & dates will be decided in February.
2. Brackets will be provided by the hosting team.
3. Hosting club is responsible for seeding the brackets and providing them to all towns.
4. Seeding will only take place in the 10U, 12U & 14U divisions. 6U & 8U there will be a blind draw.

B. TOURNAMENT GAMES

1. There must be at least two (2) open days between the end of the regular season and the beginning of the tournament.
2. Games will be played by KVA rules. NO EXCEPTIONS!!
3. Home team will be determined by a double coin flip.
4. The official scorekeeper will be the team that is awarded the home team.
 - a) The hosting town will provide a scorekeeper for any game where a trophy is awarded.
5. All tournaments will be double elimination.
6. Host clubs must provide one (1) umpire for all 6U tournament games, one (1) umpire for all 8U regular tournament games, two (2) umpire for 8U tournament trophy games, and two (2) umpires for all other divisions tournament games. If the appropriate number of umpires is not present at the start of the game, the teams may ask for the game to be rescheduled.
7. Starting time is left to the discretion of the hosting club; except Sunday games cannot start prior to 1pm.
8. 6U will remain 1 hour 15 min time limit (finish the inning).
9. 8U will remain 1 hour 30 min time limit (finish the inning).
10. For divisions 10U, 12U & 14U games will have a 2-hour time limit (finish the inning).
11. Games should be played to completion, the time limit, or the blow out rule occurs
12. If lights are available, they can be used to finish a game.
13. Blowout rule is in effect for all tournament games.
14. The championship game for 14UBB & FP and 12U BB & FP will be played on a day by itself.
15. A maximum of two (2) games in one day per team can be played.
16. Town Presidents, with the approval of the KVA President, may schedule more than 2 games a day for 10U, 12U & 14U Fastpitch only.
17. A family member of any players or coaches must not umpire tournament games, where a trophy is being awarded.
18. If an ejection is made during a tournament game, ejecting umpire must immediately notify the hosting club UIC & Club President prior to the next game to determine actions taken.
19. Each hosting club will need to provide a copy of the tournament bracket to each club president.
20. Each club will pay a penalty fee of \$40 per team if any of their teams fail to show up without written notice 24 hours prior to a tournament game.
21. The KVA Board shall have the authority to postpone or cancel tournament games due to severe weather.

C. TROPHIES

1. Awards will be given to all first & second place players.

D. PROTESTS

1. Protest made during a tournament will follow these steps:
 - a) Notify the UIC at the time of the protest, stating the reason for the protest.
 - b) UIC is to notify the KVA President of the protest.
 - c) The KVA President is to call a meeting of the protest committee for the specific sport to rule on the protest. Present at that meeting should be the managers/coaches of the teams involved & the umpires.
 - d) The protest will be heard and ruled on by the KVA Protest Committee before the next scheduled game is played.
 - e) The protest committee's decision is final.
 - f) All protest must be in accordance with Rule 10 Article 4 of the NFHS and KVA General Game Rules Sec. F.