

## LCCN Church League Tournament Rules

- 1) No profane language will be tolerated. **1<sup>st</sup> Offense:** ejection from the game, **2<sup>nd</sup> Offense:** ejection from the league. Team is also responsible for the actions of their fans watching the game, and if the fans break this rule it could cause the team to forfeit the game on the 1<sup>st</sup> offense and expulsion from the league on the 2<sup>nd</sup> offense.
- 2) No arguing with the umpires will be tolerated. Only the coach is allowed to call time and calmly discuss any **rule** issues with the umpire, judgment calls cannot be argued. The umpires will issue a verbal warning to the entire team on the 1<sup>st</sup> offense. The 2<sup>nd</sup> offense and all following offenses on the team will result in expulsion from the game by the offender. The team is also responsible for their fans watching the game and the team will be warned on the first offense by the umpire, and forfeiture of the game will be enforced on the 2<sup>nd</sup> offense.
- 3) There will be **no time limits** in tournament however umpires may call the last inning in late games before the last inning if darkness becomes an issue for player safety. Please make sure to hustle between innings to keep the games moving along.
- 4) All teams need to show up at 7:00 for the second game as the umpire will start the 2<sup>nd</sup> game at 7:00 if the first game ends early. There will be a 5 minute grace period extended by the umpire before each game if a team is short players.
- 5) The league tournament will still allow the courtesy runner rule, which allows the player who made the last out to run for the player who needs a courtesy runner because of injury or for senior players. Courtesy runner can only be rejected by the opposing team's coach if he thinks the rule is being abused.
- 6) **Run rules will be 20 after 3, 15 after 4, 12 after 5, and 10 after 6.**
- 7) Steel spikes will not be allowed in the LCCN Church League.
- 8) The LCCN Church League will allow all official slow-pitch softball bats except Miken bats. If you have a Miken bat that has ASA certification stickers on it you will need to have it approved by the Head of the League before using it.
- 9) Players must have played at least **4 games** during the season to be eligible for league tournament play. Teams cannot add players from other teams during the tournament.
- 10) The teams will meet before the game with the umpire to discuss the field boundaries and flip for home team, the home team will be asked to lead a prayer.
- 11) Teams need to pray after the game like normal unless they have to play the next game.