

# HEAVY HITTERS

Charity Softball Tournament for Education



## Rules of the Tournament

1. No new inning will start after 45 minutes have transpired from the first pitch of the game. The start time will be recorded in the umpire's personal score sheet and can't be challenged after the 2nd inning begins.
2. Pitching must be underhand with an arc which is higher than the batter's head (180 - 360cm above the ground) 6-12 feet above the ground. At the beginning of each half inning, or when a pitcher relieves another, not more than one minute may be used to deliver not more than three warm up pitches.
3. Strike zone: pitched strike is when ball hit orange strike zone behind home plate. **Home plate is included in pitch strike (NEW RULE).**
4. NO stealing. NO leading. You may leave the base once the ball is hit. NO bunting or chopping.
5. It is possible to strike out on a foul ball. A batter that has two strikes and hits an uncaught foul ball will be called out on strikes.
6. NO metal cleats. NO throwing bats. Helmets are not necessary.
7. SLIDING IS ALLOWED.
8. **HR LIMITATION for CUBS teams are 3 HR for a team and one game. Another HR will be called like OUT.**
9. **HR LIMITATION for BEARS teams are 6 HR for a team and one game. Another HR will be called like OUT.**
10. **GAME BALLS for BEARS. First game ball will be provided by HOME TEAM (list it first in schedule). Every other game ball will be provided by team who hits game ball out of the field (HR, foul ball...). It is team's responsibility to take care of game balls. Game balls has to be without damage. After match, played game ball will be given to home team.**

- 11. GAME BALLS for CUBS will be provided by organizers.**
12. There should be 10 players in the starting line up. You may substitute after that, but only players from the starting line up can re-enter the game. **There will be no extra hitters.**
- 13. Only ASA SLOW PITCH approved bats are ALLOWED!!!! NO FAST PITCH BATS!!!!**
- 14. At least two women must be in the line up at all times.**
15. Walk is always 1 free base (regardless if a man or woman is at bat and/or on deck).
16. Please state the team captain, and only the team captain, can approach the umpire to appeal a call. Appeals should be made directly to the umpire, together with the opposing team's captain, at home plate. In the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play, if both team captains agree, then the umpire should honor the appeal.
- 17. NO TIES. There will be extra inning. Teams collect points (win = 1, lost = 0)**
18. The umpires have the final word