

# ***Big North Conference***

## ***Softball Rules and Regulations***

1. Federation Rules with NJSIAA modifications will govern play.
2. Divisional Championships will be determined by two (2) points for a win and (1) point for a tie. Only Divisional games count toward Divisional championship.
3. Only NFHS/NJSIAA approved balls may be used.
4. All games are to start at 4:15 p.m. unless mutually agreed on in advance.
5. On the sub-varsity level, there will be a two hour curfew on games. If the sub-varsity game starts at 4:15 PM, no inning will start after 6:15 PM. If a school or field has a curfew rule because of field use, that rule will take precedence over the Big North curfew rule for sub-varsity games.
6. Sub Varsity games will be played at the same site with Varsity opposite, unless mutually agreed upon.
7. All Varsity Divisional games must be assigned by The Big North Conference hired assignor. Only NJSIAA certified officials shall officiate varsity games.
8. Teams shall have a maximum of 10 minute infield/outfield warm up period. If the bus is late, the game will start 25 minutes after arrival.
9. All Divisional selection shall consist of a first and second Team, with two honorable mention selections per school. The first and second teams will consist of: 1 first base, 1 catcher, 2 pitchers, 3 infielders, 3 outfielders and 4 open positions, which will be designated to the position of the highest vote earner in each spot for a total of 14. For Divisions of 7 teams, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> teams will consist of 15 athletes. For Divisions of 8 teams, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> teams will consist of 16 athletes.
10. Postponed games should be made up on the next available date.
11. Only players, managers and coaches are permitted to occupy the bench area. Coaches on the lines must be in shirts or jackets of the school colors.

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