



## ***PETALUMA STEAL BREEZE***

**Tournament Rules, Schedules, and Field Directions**

**June 14-16, 2024**

# ***2024 Father's Day Tournament***

**Contact Information:**

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## 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 but must stay off areas of play
- 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.
- **Food will be available at the Prince Park and Wiseman Park. Leghorn Field and Kenilworth Jr. High has a shopping center with food nearby.**
- Home team: Will be determined by coin flip Saturday pool play. Highest seed is the home team for bracket play on Sunday. Home team book is the official score book.
- Bats & Helmet check: Before each game all bats and helmets are to be lined up outside of the dugout for check by the umpires. All decisions by umpires on equipment are final.
- 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 can not 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 the facility for the remainder of the game. Per the severity of the ejection, the person/player ejected may return for the next game. The Tournament Director's and the UIC will review the situation and make a determination on whether or not that person will be allowed to return to the fields for Sunday's game.
- Rosters: Please upload your roster to USAsoftball.com. Submit rosters by June 10, 2024. The tournament director's decision is final. The tournament director will handle any player eligibility protests.
- Please use the official Championship roster listed on USA softball.com website.

## **Tournament Scoring:**

- **7 points for a win**
- **5 points for a shutout** (In the case of a 0-0 tie neither team gets shutout points)
- **5 points for a tie** (both teams)
- **1 point for each run scored above the opponent up to a maximum of 3**
- **In the event of a forfeit, the "winning" team will receive 10 points**

\*If two teams have the same points, the first tie breaker will be head-to-head, then fewest runs allowed, then most runs scored, then coin toss.

**\*USA softball scoring and ranking on-line may not be correct.**

\*Game Results will be posted at the administration tables.

\*Winning coach is responsible for reporting game scores to the main tournament table at Prince Park or by texting the tournament director at (707) 978-8557

\*Teams with 4 games will draw a number 1-4 after their last game to determine what game does not count for points.

**2024 Father's Day Tournament**  
**10U, 12U & 14U Divisions Tournament Rules**  
**USA Softball Rules & modifications & Tournament Procedures**

1. All games shall be governed by the 2024 USA Softball Official Rule Book with the Following exceptions
2. Unlimited substitutions on Saturday
3. Proof of age is required & the burden lies w/ the manager if challenged.
4. All protests on rule interpretations will be determined by the umpire of the game at the point of protest and their decision is final.
5. A coin toss will determine the home team at the start of each game on Saturday.
6. **(Pool Play)** The team listed **1st** will be in the third base dugout. **(Sunday)** The higher seed will be in the third base dugout - **unless already occupied, due to a back-to-back scheduled game.**
7. No new inning will start after 1 hour and 10 min. Except for the championship game in which it will have no time limit and will be 7 innings. Games may end in a tie during pool play. During the single elimination round on Sunday, if there is a tie after the time limit or 7 innings we will go to international tiebreaker (the last out of the last inning will start at second (2nd base).
8. Mercy 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. No field usage for warm-ups.
10. Seeding for Sunday will be based on points. 7 points for a win, 5 points for a shutout, 5 points for a tie (both teams). 1 point for each run scored above the opponent up to a maximum of 3. In the event of a forfeit, the "winning" team will receive 10 points. If two teams have the same points, the first tie breaker will be head-to-head, then fewest runs allowed, then most runs scored, then coin toss.
11. Lineups must be given to the umpire and other team before each game.
12. **Home team is the official scorebook. Final score should be reported to the main tournament table at Prince Park after each game. Please text the Tournament Director with the final score at (707) 978-8557.**
13. Game time is forfeit time. Travel time will be allowed when games are back-to-back at different field locations. **GAMES CAN START UP TO 10 MINUTES EARLY AT THE UMPIRES DISCRETION WITHIN REASON.** Please be prepared to play.
14. 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.
15. Courtesy runner for pitcher and catcher only (Saturday - Last batted out or sub. Sunday it is only a sub off of the bench.)
16. On Friday/Saturday everyone on your team can bat and there are unlimited substitutions. Regular USA softball batting/substitution rules order on Sunday
17. DP/Flex or EP (can't do both) is allowed Sunday per USA softball rules.
18. Please allow teams from prior game to leave and fields to be prepped before entering the dugout.
19. Coaches allowed to sit on buckets in either dugout opening (not along fence) All other coaches must be in the dugout, In play ball near coach. Coach responsible for removing the bucket clear of play. If the coach or bucket interfere, normal interference rules apply.
20. Saturday Only (all ages) - if a player leaves a game due to injury or illness, there will not be an automatic out.

**2024 Father's Day Tournament**  
**8U Division Tournament Rules**  
**USA Softball Rules & modifications & Tournament Procedures**

All 8U games will be governed by NorCal 2024 8U C Tournament rules with the following exceptions:

**General Rules:**

1. All sanctioned 8U Tournaments will be classified as "C".
2. All 8U teams are classified as "C" and must be formed using approved guidelines.
3. Game ball: 10" low compression softball.
4. Base Distance: 60 Feet
5. Pitching Distance: 30 Feet
6. Games: 6 Innings
7. For the first 3 innings, there will be a 5 run per inning maximum. Open thereafter.
8. 10 run mercy rule after any inning.
9. 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.
10. Due to receded dugouts on Field B there will be a painted line box in front of the dugout this area is considered coaches area. All coaches must stay within the box unless coaching bases or coach pitching. This area is considered out of play. Players are to remain in the dugout except for when in on-deck circle. Spectators seating past the coaches box is considered out of play and all spectators must remain behind painted lines.

**Time Limit**

No new inning will start after 1 hour and 10 min. or 6 innings. Except for the championship game in which it will have no time limit and will be 6 innings. Games may end in a tie during pool play. During the single elimination round on Sunday, if there is a tie after the time limit or 6 innings we will go to an international tiebreaker, the last out of the last inning will start at second (2nd) base.

**Format:** Pool Play on Friday/Saturday and single elimination on Sunday. **The Championship game will be six innings with no time limit.**

**Base Running:**

1. Runners may steal one base per pitch. No advancement on an errant throw. No stealing home. No stealing or lead off when the coach is pitching.
2. Lead off permitted on release. No lead off when the coach is pitching.
3. Overthrows:
  - a. **On a throw to first base** the following occurs. No batter can advance to second base as a result of an errant throw to first base. All other runners may only advance one base past the base they are going to on an errant throw to first base with liability of being put out if the ball stays in live ball territory.
  - b. **On a throw to any other base or position.** If, on a throw to any other base an errant throw occurs, all runners and batter/runner may advance one base past the base they are going to with the liability of being put out.
  - c. The umpire will only award a base to the runners if the ball has been thrown out of play. No bases will be awarded on errant throws when the ball stays in play.
  - d. Runner and batter/runner may be put out if they advance beyond the base they are entitled to on the errant throw. At the end of play the umpire will return all runners to the base they are entitled to if they have not been put out.

**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. Everyone bats and free defensive substitutions.
2. No dropped 3rd strike.
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.
  - a. A coach/pitcher will enter the circle when 4 balls have been called by the umpire. Coach must pitch "legal" pitches from pitching rubber.
  - b. The coach/pitcher will resume the player/pitcher strike count and will throw no more than three (3) pitches with the umpire calling balls/ strikes.
  - c. 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.
  - d. Batters will NOT be awarded a base on a Hit by Pitch from the coach/pitcher, but will by a player/pitcher.
4. If a batted ball hits the coach/pitcher the ball is dead and the batter is out. At no time shall the coach/pitcher obstructed play.
5. Player/Pitcher must have one foot in the circle at the time the coach/pitcher is pitching.
6. Coach/Pitcher must stay in the circle during play and **MAY NOT** provide Coaching assistance.

### **The Game**

1. During pool play, games will be six innings max with no new inning starting after 70 minutes. Sunday's preliminary games will follow the same time limit. **The Championship game will be six innings and no time limit.** If a game goes extra innings, any girl may pitch during extra innings, even if she already pitched her allowed innings. Extra innings are any inning after the sixth inning.
2. Tie-Breaker Rule – Saturday's pool play games may end in a tie. For Sunday bracket play, games tied after 6 innings or expiration of time limit shall be settled under the international tiebreaker rule. Pitching restrictions are lifted. The offensive team shall begin its turn at bat with the player who is scheduled to bat last in that respective half inning being placed at second base (e.g., if the number five batter is the leadoff batter, the number four batter in the batting order will be placed at second base.

**ALWAYS be ready to play up to 10 minutes sooner if the tournament is running early.**

## **Fields**

**8u's** will be at Wiseman Park

**10uB's** will be at Prince Park, Leghorn Park & Casa Grande High School

**10uC's** will be at Prince Park, Leghorn Park (Softball field) & Kenilworth Jr. High School Field

**12uB's** will be at Prince Park

**12uC's** will be at Prince Park

**14u's** will be at Casa Grande High School

**Extra Parking for all Prince Park Fields will be on the right as you enter the park**

## Directions to Fields

### **Directions to Prince Park:**

#### **2301 E. Washington St Petaluma**

##### **From San Francisco**

- Take 101 North towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington Street Exit
- Turn right on East Washington
- Prince Park will be about 1 mile on the left
- Next to Rooster Run Golf Course

### **Directions to Prince Park:**

#### **2301 E. Washington St Petaluma**

##### **From Rohnert Park**

- Take 101 South towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington Street Exit
- Turn left on East Washington
- Prince Park will be about 1 mile on the left
- Next to Rooster Run Golf Course

### **Directions to Leghorn Park:**

#### **690 Sonoma Mountain Pkwy Petaluma**

##### **From San Francisco**

- Take 101 North towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington Street Exit
- Turn right on East Washington
- Turn Left on Sonoma Mountain Pkwy

### **Directions to Leghorn Park:**

#### **690 Sonoma Mountain Pkwy Petaluma**

##### **From Rohnert Park**

- Take 101 South towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington Street Exit
- Turn left on East Washington
- Turn Left on Sonoma Mountain Pkwy

-Park is 1.2 miles on the right between SRJC and Safeway

### **Directions to Kenilworth Jr High School:**

#### **800 Riesling Rd Petaluma**

##### **From San Francisco**

- Follow directions to Leghorns Park
- Turn right on Riesling Rd
- Turn left on Riesling Rd (roundabout)
- Turn right on Dover Ln

### **Directions to Kenilworth Jr High School:**

#### **800 Riesling Rd Petaluma**

##### **From Rohnert Park**

- Follow directions to Leghorns Park
- Turn right on Riesling Rd
- Turn left on Riesling Rd (roundabout)
- Turn right on Dover Ln

**Directions to Wiseman Park:**

**2175 St. Augustine Circle Petaluma**

**From San Francisco**

- Take 101 North towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington Street Exit
- Turn right on East Washington
- Turn right on Ely Blvd
- Turn left on Caulfield Ln
- Turn right on Garfield Dr
- Turn left on St. Augustine Cir

**Directions to Wiseman Park:**

**2175 St, Augustine Circle Petaluma**

**From Rohnert Park**

- Take 101 South towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington Street Exit
- Turn left on East Washington
- Turn right on Ely Blvd
- Turn left on Caulfield Ln
- Turn right on Garfield Dr
- Turn left on St. Augustine Cir

**Directions to Casa Grande High School (JV Field):**

**333 Casa Grande Rd Petaluma**

**From San Francisco**

- Take 101 North towards Petaluma
- Take Exit 472B (116/Lakeville St to Sonoma)
- Turn left on 116/Lakeville St
- Turn left on Casa Grande Rd
- Turn left into Casa Grande parking lot

**Directions to Casa Grande High School (JV Field):**

**333 Casa Grande Rd Petaluma**

**From Rohnert Park**

- Take 101 South towards Petaluma
- Take East Washington St exit
- Turn left on East Washington
- Turn right on Ely Blvd
- Turn right on Casa Grande Rd (roundabout)
- Turn right into Casa Grande parking lot

# **Tournament Happenings!!!**

## ***Awesome Play Awards!!***

***Make sure to turn in your coupon to the information table at Prince Park to collect your prize for earning your award from the umpires!!***

### **Prince Park:**

***\*Petaluma Girls Softball Snack Bar Friday - Sunday***

***\*Coffee Cart - Saturday & Sunday***

***\*Keith's BBQ Beast - Saturday & Sunday***

***<http://www.keithsbbqbeast.com/>***

***\*Oskey's Ice Cream - Saturday & Sunday***

***\*Fine Design T-Shirts/Tournament - Saturday & Sunday***

***[shop.finedesigns.com/pacific/event-4673](http://shop.finedesigns.com/pacific/event-4673)***

***\*Twisted Sisters Designs (specialty cups) - Saturday & Sunday***

***<https://twistedsiblingsdesigns777.myshopify.com/>***

### **Wiseman Park:**

***\*The Bow Lady - Saturday only***

***\*Kona Ice - Sunday only***

***\*Damn Dogs Hotdogs - Saturday & Sunday***

### **Leghorn Park & Kenilworth Jr. High:**

***Leghorn Marketplace:***

***Chunky's Taqueria & Grill, Pizza Guys, Safeway, Starbucks and more...***