

## **Tom Sutter Memorial Day Tournament** **Guidelines**

Games will be held at Orange and Buri Park

All teams must provide proof of insurance

All ages must comply with the birth date cutoff of August 31st

Major League rules will apply except for:

- A. No leading or stealing of any base until the ball crosses the plate
- B. No dropped third strike
- C. No infield fly rule
- D. No balks
- E. International rule will apply in extra inning playoff games
- F. No Bunting

All teams will play a round robin style tournament with 3 games guaranteed. The top 2 seeds from each pool will play a single elimination playoff bracket to determine the champion. Top seeds will be determined in the following order:

- 1. Most wins
- 2. Head to head wins
- 3. Least runs allowed in all games
- 4. Coin flip

All coaches and managers must be adults (minimum 18 years old). No batboys/girls will be allowed.

A maximum of three (3) coaches will be allowed for each team. The manager and coaches must remain in the dugout while the game is in progress except to coach a base or visit the mound.

No games will be played under protest. The umpires on the field will make the final judgment. Tournament Director or his delegate will answer any questions on rule interpretations.

The umpire will warn any player, coach, manager or spectator who acts in an unsportsmanlike manner. Second warning will result in an ejection and removal from the field. If an offense is of serious nature, that person can be ejected without warning. Any player, coach, manager or spectator ejected from a game maybe suspended from all further tournament play or participation.

To give the grounds crew time to prepare the field, there will be no infield practice before games.

All ground rules will be discussed prior to the start of each game.

Parking lots on some fields are in close proximity to the playing fields. Cars parked in the parking lot are susceptible to being struck by a ball. SSFYBA and the City of South San Francisco assume no responsibility for cars that are damaged by a ball.

Please be careful not to block driveways or handicapped parking spaces and ramps.

**ONLY USA STAMPED BATS 2 ¼ AND 2 5/8 DIAMETER BARRELS WILL BE ALLOWED.**

**NO METAL CLEATS ALLOWED.**

**NO HEAD FIRST SLIDES EXCEPT WHEN DIVING BACK TO A BASE.**

**State and local city laws prohibit the drinking of alcoholic beverages on park grounds. This rule will be strictly enforced.**