

**2011 CHEROKEE NATIONAL HOLIDAY SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT  
OFFICIAL SOFTBALL COED TOURNAMENT RULES**

1. ASA rules will apply.
  2. FIVE HOME RUN LIMIT PER GAME. AFTER FIVE, BATTER IS RULED OUT.
  3. Roster limit of fifteen (15) players per team. TEAM CHECK IN and Roster must be turned in and completed before the beginning of their first game. This will be the official roster and **NO ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER THE ROSTER IS OFFICIAL.** If a player's name is not on the Official Roster after the game has started, the player will not be eligible to play for that team. If the above-mentioned player has played, the game will result in a team forfeit. **ONLY** coaches are allowed to look at team rosters.
- If a player(s) name is on the Official Roster and they are not able to play their team's first game, then they may check in before their next scheduled game.
4. Registration will consist of players signing in and identifying their tribal affiliation. Tournament workers will not view tribal membership cards at this time so - **ALL PLAYERS MUST HAVE A PHOTO ID AND CDIB/TRIBAL MEMBERSHIP CARD ON HAND DURING EACH GAME. (With the exception of the two non-Indians.)**
  5. Teams must be prepared to PLAY THIRTY MINUTES (30) before the scheduled game time. A grace period of 15 minutes will be allowed for each team's FIRST game. After that, game time is forfeit time. The line up must be given to the Plate Umpire for each game.
  6. Any brand of MSP-MAX 40 12-INCH softball will be used in the Men's Division and MSP-MAX 40 11-INCH will be used for the Women's division, with compression 375 for both. Softballs will be furnished.
  7. The flip of a coin will determine home team and will be responsible for keeping the official score unless and official scorekeeper is available.
  8. TIME LIMIT: Each game will be limited to one (1) hour. The final game is the exception. The run rule is still in effect.
  9. RUN-RULE: Twelve (12) run lead by the 3rd inning, ten (10) run lead by the 4th inning, and eight (8) run lead by the 5th inning.
  10. ALL PROTESTS and a \$100 CASH PROTEST FEE will be forwarded to the Tournament Director for ruling. Decision will be final and if in the decision is in agreement of the protesting party, the Protest Fee will be returned. PROTESTS MUST BE MADE DURING THE GAME.
  11. UNSPORTSMANSHIP CONDUCT will not be tolerated, includes profanity directed at the officials, players, etc. An ejected player or coach must leave the playing area. If the player or coach does not leave, the game will result in a team forfeit.
  12. NO STEEL CLEATS will be permitted. Women are allowed to play barefoot.
  13. If the Tournament is rained out, it will be rescheduled for a later date. If a game is started and play is delayed, game will resume where play was delayed. In the event of rain and a game has played for five (5) complete innings, it will be considered a complete game.
  14. The Cherokee Nation, Holiday Softball Committee, and volunteers are not responsible for any loss, theft, or injury to any person.
  15. NO DRUGS, TOBACCO or ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED. ALL VEHICLES WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEARCH UPON PREMISES.
  16. **ASA BANNED BATS ARE IN EFFECT**, umpires will check bats periodically.

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