



## **Charlton Softball Association Tournament Rules of Play**

**Age 14 and Under Division**

**May 26-28, 2017**

**Tournament Director – Al Hargrave**

### **Tournament Overview**

The tournament will consist of two rounds, a weather permitting 3 game Seeding Round and a single elimination Championship Round.

Saturday Seeding and Championship Round match-ups will be posted at the concession stand on Allen Field and on [itournamentbrackets.com](http://itournamentbrackets.com)

Dugout assignments prior to pool play are **only** to minimize confusion and batting cage times. A coin flip will be used to determine actual home/visitor prior to start of the games on Saturday.

ASA rules and time limits will apply for the tourney. Pool play games can end in a tie. The semi final and final games will have no time limit and will be played to completion with the International Tie Breaker going into effect at the top of the 8th inning.

# WILDFIRE TOURNAMENT RULES

## ASA RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED IN ADDITION TO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Team coaches or representatives must have proof of player's age. Birth certificates and adoption records are acceptable forms of birth, if legible and not altered. The Tournament Director or his designee will check the rosters and proofs of age and insurance of the team at the Allen Field Concession Stand at least 30 mins prior to your first game. The Director will hold the rosters, and the proof of age packet until the team is eliminated from the competition. Packets may be picked up at the Allen Field Concession Stand site. It is the team manager's responsibility to pick up your birth certificates at the end of your participation in the Tournament.
2. Team listed first or left side on the schedule will occupy the 3rd base dugout and second team listed on the right will occupy the 1st base dugout.
3. There is no full infield practice prior to start of the game on any fields. **Allen Field teams** may use batting cages in accordance to the following: 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout assigned team has the cage one hour prior to start time and first base side team takes cage 35 mins prior to start time. At any time a team batting needs to leave the batting cage if a pitcher in current game needs to warm up.
- 4., No player can turn 15 before 1/1/2017.
5. **Each team is responsible for providing their team's insurance and first aid kits!**
6. Protests will be settled on the field. The umpire's decision is final. Any game suspended for any reason will be resumed from the point of suspension.
7. Lineup cards should be presented to the home plate umpire 5 minutes before game time. The home team will keep the official scorebook and umpire has official start time.
8. Team rosters shall be no more than 15 and no less than 9. Any team not able to field a nine- (9) player team within 15 minutes of the designated start time will forfeit the game.
9. Forfeited games will be scored as a 7-0 loss. A team cannot place in the Tournament without playing the Tournament to completion.
10. If a team starts with at least 9 players, but is unable to field 9 healthy players any time after commencement, they can continue with 8 players. However the missing 9th girl's spot in the batting order will be scored as an out each time that position is scheduled to bat.

11. To determine your teams ranking for the Championship Round, teams will be ranked based on the teams' record in the Seeding Round. In the event of a tie, seeding will be determined as follows:

1. Head to head competition (if all teams with same record have common opponents)
2. Runs against
3. Runs scored
4. Coin toss.

12. In the Championship Round, the top seed is the home team, and will be assigned the third base dugout.

13. Insurance is the responsibility of each team.

14. **MVP pins (host will provide pins)** will be exchanged at the end of each game. No player should receive more than 1 throughout the seeding round. So check with opposing coach to see who has already won. A player who has received an MVP Pin may receive one or more MVP Pins in the Championship round.

15. Once you complete your game, both teams please give your final score to the concession stand or text scores to **Bob Doiron 508-735-4761**. In the text message please state what team you are and the score. Tournament results will be updated on [itournamentbrackets.com](http://itournamentbrackets.com). Search for Charlton U14 tournament for scores and updates.

16. There are no grills allowed on the complex at Allen or Memorial Field and we ask that you support our program by purchasing food from the concession stand.

### **THIS TOURNAMENT IS FOR THE ENJOYMENT OF THE PLAYERS.**

- **All players' coaches and spectators are expected to conduct themselves appropriately at all times, both on and off the field.**
- **Any inappropriate language will result in the immediate ejection of that person from the field area.**
- **No Taunting of any Kind!!!!**
- **Smoking is not permitted anywhere around the fields.**
- **No alcohol is allowed anywhere near the fields**
- **No open fires or barbecues.**
- **No Dogs**

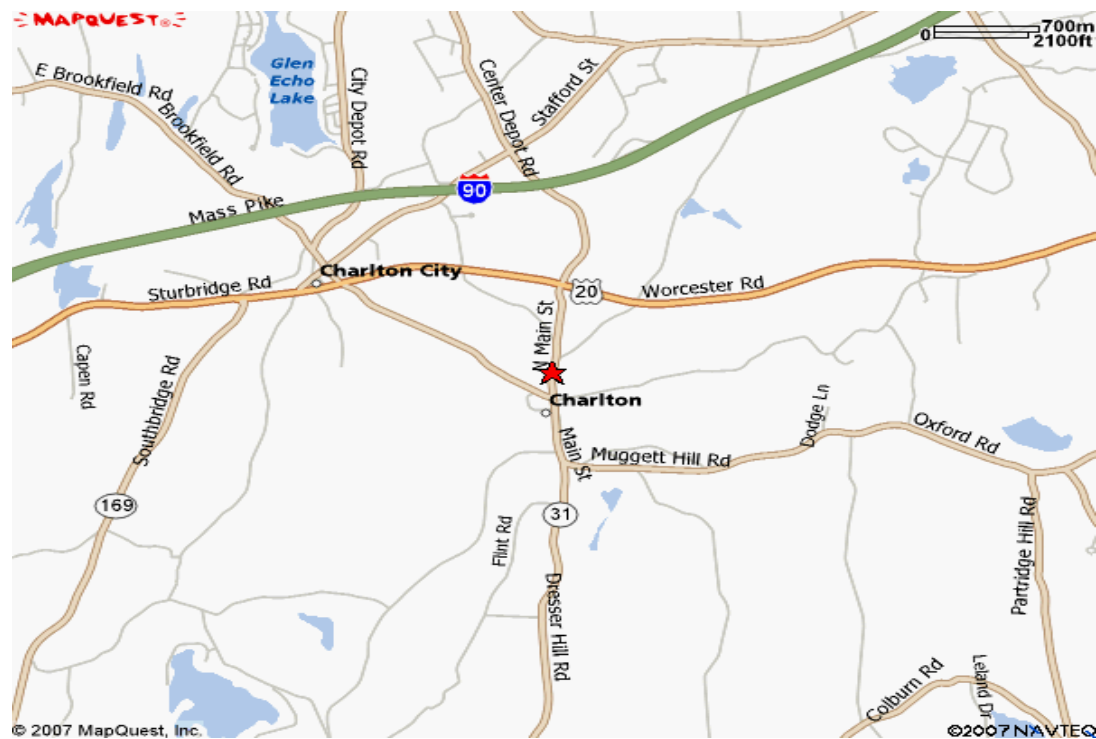
# RAIN DELAY GUIDELINES

Every effort will be made to complete the tournament. In the event of a cancellation of the tournament anytime during the seeding round games, results for each age level will be reduced until there are a common number of completed games, with all games beyond the common denominator being thrown out. Once each team has a common number of games completed, ranking will be determined using Wildfire Tournament Rule 11.

In the event that the seeding round is cancelled, the Tournament Director will use his/her discretion in determining the best format to complete the tournament.

If the tournament is cancelled during the Championship Round, the Tournament Director will use the four factors listed in Rule 11 of the Wildfire Tournament Rules to determine ranking.

The Director will use the results of the "Championship Round" games only. The Tournament Director will only use the "Seeding Round" game results if there is less than one complete game for either tied team in the "Championship Round".



## **Directions to Allen and Memorial Fields Charlton MA**

**Allen & Memorial Field – 40 Main St., Charlton, MA 01507**

**From East:** Take Mass Pike to exit 10, Auburn after toll booth get in right lane and take Rte 12 South Auburn Webster – follow Rte 12 to where it joins Rte 20 (same Rd) – follow Rte 20 to N. Main St Charlton (aprox.) 8.5 miles from toll booth – Turn left onto N. Main Street follow (aprox.) 1 mile to center of town- Library will be on your right hand side fields located behind Library Allen Field is on your right Memorial is on your Left

**From South:** Take Rte 146 to Central Turnpike follow thru Sutton into Oxford Center Go straight thru light in Oxford center onto Charlton Rd becomes Oxford Rd follow to the end to Muggett Hill Rd- Take a left onto Muggett Hill Rd follow past Bay Path High School to N. Main Street (Rte 31) Take a right onto N. Main St Library on your left fields locate behind Library

**Charlton Middle School** – 2 Oxford Rd. Charlton, MA 01507 - Follow above directions to center of town but go past the Library to your 1<sup>st</sup> left onto Mugget Hill Rd follow down the Hill past Bay Path and Middle School will be on your right follow driveway all the way to the end and softball field is located just past the fence on your left