



SOFTBALL TECHNICAL PACKAGE

2022 TONY COTE FIRST NATION SUMMER GAMES
Hosted by James Smith Cree Nation
July 24-30, 2022

1.0 Sport: Softball

2.0 Locations: Gordie Howe & Whitecap First Nation

3.0 Dates: July 25-27, 2022

4.0 Sanctioned: Yes

5.0 Number of Competitors Per Team

5.1 Each Tribal Council / Team is allowed only fifteen players plus 3 staff (coaches/Managers and/or Trainer)

5.2 Coaches staff must include one coach of the same gender as the team.

5.3 Alternates. 1 Male and 1 Female athlete may be listed as alternates for each age category. Should the placement of the alternate become necessary due to injury, illness or absenteeism the team has until the commencement of the games to slot in the alternate.

6.0 Classification

17U	(male & Female)	Born 2005/2006
15U	(male & Female)	Born 2007/2008
13U	(male& Female)	Born 2009/2010

*Athletes may only be 1 year younger than the youngest age group. Athletes born 2005 or earlier **will not** be eligible:

7.0 Eligibility

7.1 The Saskatchewan First Nation Summer Games shall be open to Saskatchewan Residents who are of Status Indian Ancestry. Athlete treaty numbers are required as proof.

7.2 All athletes must play with their respective with their respective Tribal/Grand council teams they are a member of.

7.3 All athletes must be a member of a First Nation within the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations.

7.4 Transfer of Status Indians to another Tribal/Grand Council is allowed as per Saskatchewan First Nation Winter and Summer Technical Manual RESIDENCY clause.

8.0 Provincial Registration

8.1- TEAM REGISTRATIONS

All athletes, coaches and managers must be registered with the Softball Saskatchewan.

Payment of registration details are;

Team Registration Fee: \$175.00/team (includes all players & coaches)

Each team is required to complete the attached registration form. This registration form is to be submitted to Softball Saskatchewan and the FSIN SCYR Department no later than **June 24, 2022.** (Contact information for both organizations is provided under 17.0)

8.2 COACH CERTIFICATION

Any staff listed as a coach on the official registration must be fully trained/certified in the Community Softball (or Level I) under the National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) in Softball or the equivalent in the Competency Based Education Training system. Any staff listed as a coach on the official registration must have their Respect in Sport (RiS) for Activity Leaders.

Must be certified in the Aboriginal Coaching Module

8.3 PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION

- A. Each Tribal/ Grand Council is responsible to send completed registration forms and payment directly to Softball Saskatchewan, 2205 Victoria Avenue, Regina, Sask. S4P 0S4.
- B. Payment for registration fees must be issued on ONE Cheque per Tribal/Grand Council.
- C. Payment and registration are due to Softball Saskatchewan no later than **June 24, 2022.**

9.0 Competition Rules

9.1 All competitions will follow the rules outlined in the 2022 Softball Saskatchewan Handbook and Softball Canada Rule Book.

9.2 Teams will compete in a round robin format, followed by a single elimination Playoff Round.

Round Robin games and playoff games leading up to the medal final will be 90 minutes long with no new inning start after 75 minutes of play. Games are 5 Innings for 13U and 7 Innings for 15U & 17U (There will be a 15-minute allowance in between games for diamond maintenance.

Medal final games will consist of five innings for 13U and seven innings for 15U & 17U with No Time Limit.

9.3. All male and female batters, on deck batters and baserunners must wear a helmet with an attached face mask in the U13, U15 and U17 age division.

9.4 All Pitchers in the U13, U15 and U17 male and female age divisions must wear a protective mask.

9.5 In the 13U category everyone on the roster and in attendance must bat in all games. There will be unlimited substitutions. All categories of 13U Boys and girls will have a maximum of five (5) runs scored per inning in all games. If in the top of the 5th inning a team is up by more than five (5) runs then the game is over.

9.6 In the 13U Boys and Girls category, the batter is out on the third strike, regardless if the ball is caught or not, the ball remains alive.

9.7 Pitching Regulations Pitchers in all 13U Boys and Girls categories may pitch a maximum of three (3) innings in five (5) inning games. Should a pitcher throw (1) pitch this is classified as a complete inning pitched. In the event of extra innings, the pitching rule is not in effect.

9.8 Line up Cards: must be filled out and submitted to the umpire at the plate conference prior to the game. The Line-up must be verified by the Head Coach.

9.9 Mercy Rule All games will end after 2 ½ or 3 innings of play if there is a difference fifteen (15) runs or will end after 3 ½ or 4 innings of play if there is a difference of ten (10) runs or will end after 4 ½, 5, 5 ½, 6 or 6 ½ innings of play if there is a difference of seven (7) runs.

9.8 TIE BREAKING PROCEDURE: Final Standings in the Round Robin shall use the following criteria to determine the order of finish

Note 1: No games will remain a tie.

Note 2: If a game is tied after seven (7) complete innings or five (5) complete innings in the U13 category, the teams will revert to the international tie breaking rule starting in the top of the eighth (8th) inning.

Note 3: The final score of a game is also the score used for tie breaking purposes. We no longer revert back to the last complete inning.

Note 4: If the home team is ahead after 6 1/2 innings of play, they will NOT bat in the seventh (7th) inning. This rule will also be in effect if the mercy rule comes into play after 2 ½, 3 ½, 4 ½, or 5 ½ innings.

Two (2) teams tied

- A. The winner of the round robin game between the tied teams receives the higher placement.
- B. In the event the two teams did not play each other in the qualifying round (round robin);
 - i. The difference of plus and minus of total runs scored, with a limit of seven (7) plus or minus per game for **ALL** games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then;
 - ii. Least runs allowed by each team for **ALL** games played in the Round Robin will be used determine the higher placement. If still tied, then;
 - iii. Total runs for each team (with a maximum of 7 runs per game) for **ALL** games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the higher placement.

Three (3) teams tied

- A. If all three teams have played each other the winner of the round robin games between the tied teams will receive the higher placement.
- B. If only one team has played all teams they are tied with, and won both games, then they will receive the higher placement. The two remaining teams will revert back to the two teams tied criteria above.
- C. If the teams **have or have not** played each other, the difference of plus or minus of total runs scored, with a limit of seven (7) plus or minus per game for all games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the highest placement. If the two teams remaining have played each other, the head to head game will be used to determine the 2nd and 3rd position. If the two teams have not played each other, the plus/minus criteria will be used to determine 2nd and 3rd placements. If still tied, then;
 - i. Least runs allowed by each team for all games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then;
 - ii. Total runs for each team (with a maximum of 7 runs per game) for all games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the higher placement.

Four (4) or more teams tied

- A. In the event that four or more teams are tied, the following criteria will be used:
- i. The difference of plus or minus of total runs scored, with a limit of seven (7) plus or minus for all games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine all four placements' If still tied, then;
 - ii. Least runs allowed by each team for all games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the higher placement. If still tied, then;
 - iii. Total runs for each team (with a maximum of 7 runs per game) for all games played in the Round Robin will be used to determine the higher placement

10.0 Scoring

10.1 The Tribal / Grand Councils will participate in a round robin play with two to four pools depending on number of entries.

Pool ranking where be determined by the results of the previous summer games held in 2019

11.0 Protest Procedure

11.1 Sport Protests

The Softball Saskatchewan Handbook and the Softball Canada Rule Book will apply for protests. Protests must be made to the Plate Umpire and he or she will notify the Sport Jury consisting of FSIN, Tournament Chairperson and/or Softball Saskatchewan Representative for a final decision. Protests are allowed on rules application only, which will follow the rules of Softball Canada.

All protests must be communicated to the FSIN Games Coordinator no later than 15 minutes after the end of the game.

A Sport Jury will consist of FSIN, Tournament Chairperson and/or a Softball Saskatchewan representative.

11.2 Eligibility Protests

The FSIN Sport, Culture, Youth and Recreation Board will act as the Jury for all protests dealing with the eligibility of Athletes.

All protests must be communicated to the FSIN Games Coordinator no later than 15 minutes after the end of the game.

Protests must be signed by the Team Sport Contact/ Chef-de-Mission or his/her mission staff designate of the participating team. This designate must be submitted in writing.

All protests will be accepted with no explanation from the Board. All protests must be dealt with within 15 minutes of the game or competition ending or game stands as posted.

A fee of \$500.00 will be in place for all protests. This fee will be given directly to the FSIN Games Managers or Technical Director for Softball. Cash will be the only accepted form of payment. This fee will be put toward the Youth Championships if the protest is lost. Protest fee will be returned if the protest is won by the Team protesting.

12.0 Equipment/Competitive Uniform

12.1 Equipment

Game balls, scorecards and line up sheets will all be supplied by the host.

12.2 Competitive Uniform

The Softball Saskatchewan Handbook and the Softball Canada Rule Book will apply to competition uniforms. Each team must have a complete uniform consists of same color and type of shirt, pants and hat. The shirt must have a number on the back and Tribal Council logo on the front.

Coaches must follow same color schemes as team members

12.3 Uniform Colors

Teams shall select appropriate walk on and competition uniforms adhering to the color schemes approved by the FSIN SCYR Board. The approved color schemes are as follows:

Tribal/ Grand Council	Colors
ACTC	Gold – black and white trim
BATC	Red – white trim
BOFN	Red – black and white trim
BRFN	Green, blue, white
BTC	Maroon – gold trim
FHQTC	Green – grey and white trim
MLTC	Blue – white and gold trim
OLFN	Black– white and gold trim
PAGC	Navy blue – white trim
STC	Navy blue – red, gold and white trim
SET4TC	Red – white and blue trim
TATC	Navy – red and white trim
Woodland	Forest green – grey, white and black trim
YTC	Teal/black – grey/white and black trim

13.0 OFFICIALS

Major Officials (Umpires) will be assigned by Softball Saskatchewan

14.0 Medals

Medals will be awarded to individual players. 144 Gold, 144 Silver, 144 Bronze

15.0 MEDICAL SERVICES

Medical Services will be provided by the host society:

A minimum of one First Responder will be on location at each of the three venues at all competition times. The First Responder will be equipped with a First Aid Kit.

16.0 SECURITY

A minimum of one security personnel will be on location at the venue at all competition times.

17.0 CONTACT INFORMATION

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18.0 TECHNICAL/MANUAL CERTIFICATION

The below signatures are to certify that this technical manual has been approved in its entirety by the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations Sport, Culture, Youth and Recreation Board, the Games Manager and the Provincial Sport Governing Body Representative.

MEETING DATE:	
FSIN CHAIRPERSON:	
SPORT MANAGER:	
PSGB REPRESENTATIVE:	