

## 2024 WINTER WONDERLAND RULES & REGULATIONS

**Boundaries & Ground Rules** - A play on the ball may be made if the ball makes contact with the bubble ceiling in fair territory – if the ball hits a light or a ceiling and the player makes a catch, the runner is out.

- Any ball that is hit foul is an automatic dead ball, no play can be made on a foul ball.
  - A ball will be considered foul and dead if the ball makes contact with any portion of the bubble, a piece of equipment (net or player equipment).
  - Any thrown ball that hits a player's equipment, a goal, etc. will be considered dead and the player will be awarded the next base.
- **HOME RUNS**: A home run will be ruled if the ball hits the back wall above the blue divider in the air.
- A ground rule double will be ruled on any ball that is tangled in the netting and/or is caught behind field equipment ONLY.
  - Please make sure your team knows how to throw their hands up in the air to let the umpire know that the ball is dead.
  - Any play on the ball will keep the ball in play and live. Runners may advance as much as possible on this.
- Umpires' discretion will be used to advance runners on dead balls if necessary.
  - For example, the fielder throws hands up as the runner reaches second. The umpire will award the runner to third base.
- A dead ball foul will be ruled on any ball first coming into contact with the complex or equipment in foul territory and no play can be made on the ball.

**Game and Start of Play** – Games are 90-minutes or 7 innings whichever comes first for all pool play games. There is no time limit for playoffs. Umpires will announce game times as they near the end of the 90 minutes.

**IMPORTANT SCORING RULE (POOL PLAY ONLY)**: The score reverts back to the last inning in tournament rules means that:



If a game is stopped before completion due to time constraints or other factors, the final score will be recorded as the score at the end of the most recently completed inning, essentially disregarding any action that occurred in the unfinished inning.

- Incomplete Inning
  - If the game is stopped mid-inning, the score will revert back to the end of the previous full inning.
- Tie Game Possibility
  - $\circ\;$  If the score is tied at the end of the last completed inning, the game will be considered a tie