## PALOUSE SUMMER SERIES

## JULY 4-6. 2025 TOURNAMENT RULES

- 1) All games will be seven innings. There is no new inning after 2 hours 10 minutes in all games, except the July 4<sup>th</sup> semi-final games and the championship game.
- 2) There is an 8 run rule after 5 innings, a 12 run rule after four innings and a 20 run rule after 3 innings in all games, except the July 4th championship game, unless otherwise agreed upon by both coaches and determined during the coaches meeting with the umpires.
- 3) There are no pitch count or innings rules. Coaches at this level are expected to have the utmost level of safety and wellbeing for the kids they are coaching.
- 4) A slide and avoid rule will be enforced. Runner must be within arm's length of the base.
- 5) The home team book is the official game book.
- 6) A DH can be implemented for any player in the lineup, but only one DH can be used (EH rules below).
- 7) Each team can use up to three EH's (Extra Hitter) at 12 hitters in the lineup.
- 8) Courtesy runners are allowed for catchers and pitchers only, but not mandatory.
- 9) There is no re-entry for a player removed from the lineup.
- 10) There are -3 restrictions for all bats. Non -3 bats will be excluded from competition. Must be BBCore certified.
- 11) Players must have been born on or after May 1, 2009. Any player born before this date is not eligible. Please be prepared to show verification of player age if questioned. Ineligible players participating in tournament games will result in forfeiture of those games participated in.
- 12) The American Legion Rule Book covers all rules not discussed here.
- 13) Team listed first for each pool play game is home team and will occupy third base dugout, unless playing a DH. In this event, the team playing a DH will remain in same dugout with same home team rule applying.
- 14) For Sundays matchups, each pool will be ranked #1-#3. #1 Seeds and #2 Seeds will advance to the semi-final games. #3 Seeds will play each other.
- 16) Tie breakers are in the following order:
  - a) Head to head
  - b) Least runs allowed
  - c) Most runs scored Coin flip

\*In the case of a 3 way tie after a winner is determined by following the order of the tie breakers, the order between the remaining 2 teams is then determined by returning to head to head.