



## 2022 SOFTBALL ADVISORY MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### October 21, 2022

#### ATTENDANCE

Kristen D'Alfonso - IESA Executive Director, Mark Peter - Shorewood Troy Assistant Principal and Assistant Coach, Aimee Davis – Tolono Unity Coach, Jen Schaefer - Glasford Illini Bluffs Coach, Perry Peterson - Barrington Station Coach, Zach Campbell -Warrensburg Latham Coach, Candy Wagner – Jersey Community Middle School Coach

Not In Attendance: Scott Bahorik – IHSA Official, Travis Lingafelter - Mt. Pulaski Coach, Scott Dosch – Paris Crestwood Coach

**The IESA Softball Advisory Committee makes the following recommendation to the IESA Board of Directors for their January 27, 2023 meeting:**

#### RECOMMENDATION 1

Proposed	Add: The 12-run rule is in effect and the game shall end when the visiting team is behind 12 runs or more after 3 1/2 innings, or after the 4 <sup>th</sup> inning if either team is 12 runs behind and both teams have had an equal number of times at bat.
Current	The 10-run rule is in effect and the game shall end when the visiting team is behind 10 runs or more after 4 1/2 innings, or after the 5 <sup>th</sup> inning if either team is 10 runs behind and both teams have had an equal number of times at bat. A 15-run rule is also in effect and the game shall end when the visiting team is behind 15 runs or more after 2 1/2 innings, or after the 3 <sup>rd</sup> inning, if either team is 15 runs behind and both teams have had an equal number of times at bat.
Rationale	The committee believes that the recommendation will keep the pace of the game moving. It will also create consistency with run rules for junior high baseball games.
T&C	IESA Exceptions to NFHS Softball Rules
IESA By-Law	
Admin Vote	4-0
Board Action	<b>Approved</b>

#### POINTS OF EMPHASIS

- 1) Metal cleats were allowed for 2022 season.
- 2) Sportsmanship

#### GENERAL DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Discussed 2022 season.
2. Discussed a proposal regarding moving the start date up one/two weeks. No recommendation from committee.
3. Discussed implementing a 2-hour time limit on games. No recommendation from committee.
4. Discussed upcoming rule changes for 2023, highlighting the new NFHS rule allowing jewelry.
5. Discussed 2023 points of emphasis, including sportsmanship and drying agents.

## 2023 STATE FINALS PAIRINGS

	Game 1	Game 2	Game 3	Game 4
<b>Class 1A</b>	C vs. E	H vs. F	G vs. B	A vs. D
<b>Class 2A</b>	B vs. D	C vs. G	F vs. H	A vs. E
<b>Class 3A</b>	G vs. B	F vs. C	A vs. D	E vs. H

## COMMITTEE SERVICE RECOGNITION

- Jen Shafer
- Aimee Davis
- Mark Peter

## 2023 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, October 29, 2023 @ 10:00 am

## IESA ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBILITIES