## Metal Cleats – Excessive Noise – Weather Delays – Pitching Distance – Run Ahead Rules

- Steel cleats are not allowed.
- Excessively loud music or artificial noisemakers such as cowbells, airhorns, "boom boxes," etc. are not allowed during any game.
- Weather and other delays:
  - o If a tournament is delayed and regulation play cannot be resumed and completed by
    - Sunday, the tournament director will continue the tournament with a 3-2 count format
    - When time and conditions allow regulation play will be resumed.
  - o In case of a tournament being canceled due to inclement weather, a flip of the coin will be used to determine the winner of each game until final placing is decided.
- The pitcher may take a position from the front edge of the pitcher's plate to six feet behind the pitcher's plate within the 24 inch width of the plate with both feet firmly on the ground. The pivot foot must remain in contact with the start position until the ball leaves the hand.
- The Women's "run ahead rule" shall be 20 runs after  $2\frac{1}{2}$  or 3 innings, 15 runs after  $3\frac{1}{2}$  or 4 innings, and 10 runs after  $4\frac{1}{2}$  or 5 innings.
- The Master's run ahead rule is included in the Masters Info. (The 20 run rule at the completion of 3½ or 4 innings and the 12 run rule at the completion of 4½ or 5 innings.)