

# 2021 NISA Overview, Rules and Important Dates

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## Eligibility

- Organizations may not hold tryouts where players could be cut. All girls that wish to play must be placed on a roster in order to participate in the NISA regular Spring season or Fall Ball.
- No "A" or "B" level Travel Ball Players as defined by USSSA are allowed. (See "Travel Classification" under NISA Info tab on website)
- All teams for age divisions 8U and up are required to turn in a roster before any games are played. (Spring season only.) Please email rosters to Angela Young at [angelayoungNISA@gmail.com](mailto:angelayoungNISA@gmail.com)

## Fees

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|--------------------|-----------|---------------|
| - Spring Season    | 6U:       | No Fee        |
|                    | 8U-HS:    | \$45 per team |
| - Fall Ball Season | All Ages: | No Fee        |

## Dates

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|-------------------|--------|--------------------|
| - Regular Season: | 6U-14U | 4/24/21 - 6/19/21  |
| - Regular Season: | H.S.   | TBD                |
| - Tournament:     | 8U-16U | 6/21/21 - 6/27/21  |
| - Fall Ball:      | 6U-16U | 9/11/21 - 10/30/21 |

## Coaches Scheduling Meeting

- The Coaches Meetings are a mandatory meeting where coaches will schedule all games.
- Coaches meetings will be held at Woodstock V.F.W, **240 N Throop St. Woodstock, IL 60098**

			<b>Spring Season</b>
6U - 8U	4/10/21		2:30pm
10U	4/10/21		3:15pm
12U	4/10/21		4:00pm
14U	4/10/21		4:45pm
16U	<b>TBD</b>		TBD
			<b>Fall Season</b>
6U - 8U	<b>TBD</b>		<b>TBD</b>
10U	<b>TBD</b>		<b>TBD</b>
12U	<b>TBD</b>		<b>TBD</b>
14U - 16U	<b>TBD</b>		<b>TBD</b>

## Umpires

- 6U No umpires required.
  - 8U-10U Umpires are required but not required to be patched.
  - 12U & up Patched umpires are required.
- Teams that do not comply for the majority of the season will not be allowed to participate in the End of Season Tournament.

## **Cancellations/Forfeits**

- Teams cancelling less than 6 hours prior to game time for any reason other than weather/field conditions will be considered a forfeit

## **Schedules/Scores - Spring Season ONLY**

- 6U and 8U do not report scores.
- 10U-16U: Score reporting is for the Spring season only. Fall Ball does not need to report.
- Report scores and schedule changes using LINK (Google form) on website
- Schedule changes should be reported by both teams within 48 hours of reschedule.
- Tied games should be reported by both teams within 48 hours.
- Winning team is responsible for reporting scores within 48 hours.
- Any games on the schedule not reported as a score or a reschedule will be considered a "no game".
- Please do not report scores for pick up / extra games. These games do not count toward standings.

## **Standings 10U-16U: Spring Season ONLY**

- Division seedings will be determined based on win percentage of reported games.
- Tie Breakers:
  - 1st Head to Head
  - 2nd Average Runs Allowed
  - 3rd Coin Toss

Only games reported within league requirements will be factored into tie breakers.

## **Tournament 10U - 16U: Spring Season ONLY**

- Regular Season rules apply with the following exceptions:
  - Seedings will be based off regular season standings (see above)
  - Higher seeded team will host games and supply umpires and game balls up until the finals.
  - Championship and 3rd/4th place games will be played at Woodstock - Bates Park on last date of tournament.
  - Umpires and game balls for Championship and 3rd/4th place games will be supplied by NISA.
- Games cannot end in a tie. See below for tie breaker rules.
- Tied scores for playoff games during the week and 3rd/4th place games:
  - The No New Inning time limit is still in effect. If the game is tied after you reach the No New Inning time limit and after the current inning finishes, the score will revert back to the previous inning.
  - If the score is tied at the end of the previous inning, game will proceed with the International Tie Breaker play\*\* until there is a winner.
- \*\*ITB = each half inning starts with the last batted out from the previous inning as a base runner on 2nd base.
- Tied scores for 1st/2nd Place Games - Score will not revert back to previous inning. ITB will not be used. Game will continue without time limit until tie is broken. Any extra innings, as defined by your age division's rules, will play by ITB.
- Trophy presentation following final games.

## **Tournament 8U: Spring Season ONLY**

- Regular Season rules apply with the following exceptions:
  - There are no standings for 8U. Wins and losses are not tracked during the season.
  - The matchups and field location will be determined by random draw.
  - The team listed at the top of each matchup on the bracket will host and supply umpires and game balls up until the finals.
  - Umpire will flip a coin for which team gets to be home team immediately before each game.
  - Championship and 3rd/4th place games will be played at Woodstock - Bates Park on last date of tournament.
  - Umpires and game balls for Championship and 3rd/4th place games will be supplied by NISA.
  - Tournament games will be all coach pitch. Coach will get up to 5 pitches per batter. No walks allowed. Batter can strike out. If the batter gets a foul ball on the last coach pitch, an additional pitch will be given until the batter strikes out, gets a hit, grounds out or flies out.

- The No New Inning time limit is still in effect. If the game is tied after you reach the No New Inning time limit and after the current inning finishes, the score will revert back to the previous inning.
  - If the score is tied at the end of the previous inning, game will proceed with the International Tie Breaker play\*\* until there is a winner.
- \*\*ITB = each half inning starts with the last batted out from the previous inning as a base runner on 2nd base.
- Trophy presentation following final games

**Tournament 6U: Spring Season ONLY**

- No end of season tournament for 6U.