



# 2012 East Coast Showcase Rules and Information Packet

We are looking forward to the College Showcase coming up very quickly, and your team's participation. Here are some notes about the tournament of which you should be aware:

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## Weather Outlook

We always hope for the best this time of year. Some of you played with us in the past and know that we are committed to playing. We plan to get as many of the games in, even in the event of bad weather. Please check the web site frequently for updates. If you are traveling here, consider having someone appointed to check our web site often, particularly if the forecast looks bad.

## Roster

Please be sure to download the blank roster form. We would ask you to consider completing it and getting it to us by **Wednesday evening, October 19**. We will be going to print, so any missing will not make it. If we don't have your completed form, your team's players will not be included.

Please email it to [TournamentDirector@Baseliners.org](mailto:TournamentDirector@Baseliners.org).

We won't make an issue of the rostered players. There is not championship play, so we are not looking for birth certificates, etc.

## College Coaches Attending

Some of you have asked about attendance. We will be posting college coaches as they confirm their attendance, but we have had 20-24 in years past. If you have profile books, please bring them to the tower at Potomack Lakes on Saturday.

## Game Rules

This is a Showcase. The purpose is to show the girls. There is free substitution, and you can bat your line up. Other than that, we'll be following the ASA Rulebook. Don't be surprised, though, if the umpires also apply college rules. We've brought several college level umpires to the tournament. No protests are allowed. Please be aware that any coach ejected from this tournament will not be permitted to attend a Baseliners-sponsored tournament for one year. The college coaches are here to see the girls, not you.

With the weather expected to be cooler, we will allow sweatpants and shirts. We will ask that your girls wear the wristbands, though, so the coaches can see them.

I can't tell you how to conduct your team, but I do recommend you let your girls know that college coaches watch on-and-off-the field attitude and hustle. I've watched more than one coach over the years completely discount a team when the girls act up in the dugout.

All pitching rubbers will be 43'.

Metal cleats allowed.

No courtesy runners for pitchers and catchers (based on feedback from college coaches last year)>

10 minutes prior to each game scheduled start time, coaches and umpires meet behind home plate to review rules, perform coin flip, and exchange information, as required. This is requested to make sure we remain on schedule.

### **What You Need To Do Before the Tournament**

You will receive an email prior to the tournament. Please reply to that email with

- a breakdown by high school age (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior), so we can have your wristbands ready at check-in.
- an indication whether you are ASA registered (regardless of the type of insurance you have).

Complete the blank roster form and return it to us by the date above in the Roster section.

### **What You Need To Do At the Tournament**

Please provide proof of team insurance at check in.

The roster form we've asked you to download and complete is the only one you need.

The purpose of this tournament is to showcase the girls. We will not entertain roster challenges at this tournament.

Be at check in 45 minutes before your first game begins. Check in is at Potomac Lakes for all teams.

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Lastly, I want to wish a great showcase for every team participating. Enjoy your stay and thanks for being part of one of the greatest east coast showcases in Northeastern US.

Phil Gleason  
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