

## 2019 TOURNAMENT PROTEST INFORMATION:

Call the protest line **ONLY** if there is a forfeit or a protest that can't be resolved at the tournament site.

### CHAIN OF COMMAND

- A formal (verbal) protest must be made to the Umpire-in-Chief at once by the manager or coach.
- The Umpire-in-Chief must immediately call a conference of all umpires working the game.
- District Administrator, or his/her appointed Tournament Director, is the first attempt to resolve a protest at the game site.
- If the protest is not resolved at the game site, contact the Regional Office with the number provided. Note: Only the District Administrator or Tournament Director is to have the protest line number.
- This chain of command should be strictly adhered to.

### TOURNAMENT PROTEST FORM

We have enclosed the Tournament Protest Form. This is the information that will be needed to process your protest. Please **compile these facts before you call**. This will decrease the turnaround time between the Tournament Committee response and our response to you.

Protests -This rule replaces Rule 4.19:

No protest shall be considered on a decision involving an umpire's judgment.

Equipment which does not meet specifications must be removed from the game.

Protest shall be considered only when:

- A. Violation or interpretation of a playing rule.
- B. The use of an ineligible pitcher.
- C. The use of an ineligible player.

Your assistance in helping us maintain a quick and efficient protest communication line is greatly appreciated.

Thank you and have a safe and fun 2019 tournament season!

PLEASE ENSURE THIS INFORMATION IS PROPERLY DISTRIBUTED **ONLY** TO THE APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUALS.