

CLASSIFICATION RUN RULE--This rule is copyrighted by the World's Largest Softball Tournament and cannot be used without its written permission.

A team is allowed to score runs only up to the maximum shown below for each respective inning:

CLASSIFICATION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	EI
25 Total Runs	5	10	13	16	19	22	25	4
20 Total Runs	5	10	12	14	16	18	20	3
15 Total Runs	5	10	11	12	13	14	15	2

Once a team reaches the maximum number of runs allowed for any given inning, it then ends its turn at bat and plays defense. **If a team fails to reach the maximum in any given inning, it may score runs in future innings until it reaches the maximum number shown for the inning being played.** If both teams reach the maximum number of runs allowed in a game, an extra inning(s) will be played with each team allowed to score the number of runs shown above for extra (EI) innings until the tie is broken. **In extra innings the runs allowed are cumulative.** For example in a 15 total run game that ends in an 13-13 tie, each team may score two runs in the first extra inning. If each scores only one run, then each team may score as many as three in the second extra inning as the total allowed is four (two times the two extra innings). **In all extra innings a one-pitch rule will be used.**

The classification run rule gives meaning to classification of slow pitch teams, and it gives ALL teams an honest chance to be competitive. While there are some who complain about this rule, it levels the playing field and gives teams a sense of direction as to what their classification should be. It also discourages teams from sandbagging and winning all of the time. It protects the teams that play where they belong, and penalizes those teams that drop down to try and win all the time. **If a team feels it will be affected in the number of runs it can score, it should enter a higher classification of play. We do not offer unlimited runs in league play, because time is limited and we do not want one team to spend most of the allotted time at bat.**