



RULES of the DeMARINI LONGBALL CHALLENGE

1) PARTICIPANTS

- a. 16 Participants will be invited to compete in the Demarini Longball Challenge.
- b. Only players that appear on the eligible roster of 2011 NCBA member teams are eligible to compete in the Demarini Longball Challenge.
- c. Each of the 8 teams that qualify for the 2011 NCBA DI World Series will be invited to enter one member of their team compete in the Demarini Longball Challenge.
- d. 8 Additional participants will be invited to compete from NCBA member teams that do not qualify for the 2011 NCBA DI World Series.

2) UNIFORMS

- a. All participants will dress in the full uniform of their respective NCBA member team.
- b. All participants will wear their respective team Richardson hat that must feature the official NCBA logo.

3) BATS

- a. All participants must use a BBCOR certified Demarini Bat or a 2011 NCBA approved Demarini Bat during the Longball Challenge competition.
- b. Demarini 2012 model bats will be available for participants to use should they choose.

4) PITCHERS

- a. All participants will be responsible for providing their own pitcher during the Demarini Longball Challenge.
- b. All pitchers must be a registered player or coach of an NCBA member team.
- c. The pitcher does not have to be from the participant's respective team.
- d. All pitchers will dress in the full uniform of their respective NCBA member team.
- e. All pitchers will wear their respective team Richardson hat that must feature the official NCBA logo.

5) DEFINITIONS

- a. "Homerun": A batted ball that goes over the outfield fence on the fly between the foul poles and is deemed fair by the officials.
- b. "Out": Any pitch that is swung at by the batter and not deemed a "Homerun" by the officials.

6) BATTING ORDER

- a. The batting order will be set prior to the start of the event by the Demarini Longball Challenge Officials.
- b. The batting order will remain consistent through all rounds of the event.

7) ROUNDS

- a. Round 1
 - i. 16 Participants get as many pitches as necessary to hit as many homeruns as possible before making **8** "Outs"
 - ii. The 8 Participants with the most "Round 1 Homeruns" move on to compete in Round 2.
 - iii. Should more than 1 participant tie for the 8th most "Round 1 Homeruns", see Section 8: TIE BREAKERS.
- b. Round 2
 - i. 8+ Participants (See 8.d) get as many pitches as necessary to hit as many homeruns as possible before making **10** "Outs"
 - ii. The 4 Participants with the most "Round 2 Homeruns" move on to compete in the Semi-Final Round.
 - iii. Should more than 1 participant tie for the 4th most "Round 2 Homeruns", see Section 8: TIE BREAKERS.
- c. Semi-Final Round
 - i. 4+ Participants (See 8.d) get as many pitches as necessary to hit as many homeruns as possible before making **10** "Outs"
 - ii. The 2 Participants with the most "Semi-Final Homeruns" move on to compete in the Final Round.
 - iii. Should more than 1 participant tie for the 2nd most "Semi-Final Homeruns", see Section 8: TIE BREAKERS.
- d. Final Round
 - i. 2+ Participants (See 8.d) get as many pitches as necessary to hit as many homeruns as possible before making **10** "Outs"
 - ii. The Participant with the most "Final Round Homeruns" is declared the Winner.
 - iii. Should more than 1 participant tie for the most "Final Round Homeruns", see Section 8: TIE BREAKERS.

8) TIE BREAKERS

- a. First Tie Breaker: The participant with more Homeruns in that particular round moves on.
- b. Second Tie Breaker: The participant with more Total Homeruns in the Longball Challenge moves on.
- c. Third Tie Breaker: The participant with more Regular Season Homeruns moves on.
- d. Should none of the three Tie Breakers be satisfied, both participants will move on to the next round.
 - i. Should none of the three Tie Breakers be satisfied in the Final Round, a ‘Sudden Death’ will take place.
 - ii. ‘Sudden Death’ will consist of as many 4 ‘Out’ Rounds as necessary until a winner is declared.
 - iii. Each participant gets as many pitches as necessary to hit as many homeruns as possible before making 4 ‘Outs’ in each ‘Sudden Death’ Round.
 - iv. The first Participant to win a ‘Sudden Death’ Round is declared the 2009 Demarini Longball Challenge Champion.

9) EXAMPLE: TONY WINS

NAME (Reg Season HR Total)	RND 1	RND 2	SEMI	FINAL	TOTAL
Tony (2)	4	6	8	4	22
Mike (4)	6	6	5	3	20
Kevin (3)	6	6	5	Eliminated	17
Jim (10)	6	5	2	Eliminated	13
Steve (10)	6	5	2	Eliminated	13
Dave (7)	4	4	Eliminated	Eliminated	8
Ryan (10)	7	1	Eliminated	Eliminated	8
Justin (9)	4	1	Eliminated	Eliminated	5
Chad (4)	3	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	3
Kyle (7)	2	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	2
Greg (0)	2	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	2
Rob (4)	2	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	2
Doug (1)	1	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	1
Larry (3)	1	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	1
Dan (3)	1	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	1
Toby (5)	0	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated	0