

End of Year Baseball Tournament Rules

All rules come from
Liberty Hill Youth League (LHYL) Baseball

General Rules

Rule 25. – Tournament Play Tie Breaker Rules:

1. 6U/8U Division
 - a. Tiebreakers innings will start with bases loaded the last three batters prior to the batter up. (last batter to bat on 1B, 2nd batter on 2B, and 3rd batter on 3B from the following inning) and 1 out. There are no substitute runners for catchers.
 - b. Each team has an opportunity to bat. Run rules remain in effect.
 - c. The game ends when one team is ahead at the end of an inning.
2. 10U/12U/14U Divisions
 - a. Tiebreakers innings will start with a runner on 2B (last batter) and 1 out. There are no substitute runners for pitchers or catchers.
 - b. Each team has an opportunity to bat. Run rules remain in effect.
 - c. The game ends when one team is ahead at the end of an inning.

6U/8U Baseball: Rules that are **NOT** in effect during tournament play

1. No player can sit two consecutive innings unless due to injury, disability, or mutual agreement with player and coach, or a discipline issue. Managers should notify the other team and parent if this is in effect.
2. Two defensive coaches are allowed on the field of play (between the foul lines). They should be in the outfield (no coaches in the infield). (6U)
3. All players must play at least one inning in the infield each game. (6U)

Seeding:

1. Win/loss record
2. Difference in Runs scored vs. runs given up
3. Total Runs given up

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4. Runs Scored
5. Coin Flip

In the case that all games are not played (usually due to weather) in a division the seeding will reflect the PCT wins/lose/tie of the teams in the division.

10U/12U Baseball: Pitch Count Rules

1. 10U Pitchers will have a max pitch count (**75 pitches**) that coaches can spread out throughout the tournament.
2. 12U Pitchers will have a max pitch count (**85 pitches**) that coaches can spread out throughout the tournament.
3. Pitchers cannot re-enter the same game as a pitcher once they are pulled from the mound but can pitch in multiple games in a day as long as they don't exceed their max pitches for the tournament.

Seeding:

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2. Difference in Runs scored vs. runs given up
3. Total Runs given up
4. Runs Scored
5. Coin Flip

In the case that all games are not played (usually due to weather) in a division the seeding will reflect the PCT wins/lose/tie of the teams in the division.

Pool Players in Tournament

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Teams that have rosters that fall below 9 players or 10 in 8u due to injury/illness **before** the tournament may request an exemption through their commissioner. If the exemption is approved the players MUST come from the next lower division, MUST come from an eliminated team if possible, and the two commissioners related to the divisions involved and VP MUST approve. If the pool player is approved they can play any position on the field, with coaches discretion.

If a team meets the requirements above but a team has not been eliminated in the division below the commissioners involved and the VP will meet to discuss a fair outcome.