



6U Baseball division is an instructional boys/girls baseball league. It is our desire that all players have an equal chance to develop and learn the basics of baseball while instilling a sense of sportsmanship and fair play. There should never be an argument/protest about a play from any coach or parent. If a problem arises, then please contact your organizations lead baseball board member.

GENERAL

1. Both base coaches and field coaches, including the coach pitcher will act as umpires. Any coach can make a call at any base, depending on the circumstance and line of sight.
2. Close plays will go to the defense.
3. The game shall consist of five (5) innings.
4. No new inning shall begin one hour and thirty minutes after the game starting time.
5. Base distances are 50 feet.
6. The coach pitcher should not coach any base runner once the ball is hit. He may position the batter and encourage him before the ball is hit but all base runners should be taught and encouraged to listen to their first and third base coaches.
7. Official scores are not kept, and standings are not tracked.
8. No bat greater than 2 5/8" in width shall be used.
9. The baseball or league operations director will determine unplayable fields or rainouts and update the hotline number one hour before scheduled games. If no cancellation is announced, then it is assumed that games will be played. Coaches should not take it upon themselves to cancel games.
10. Home teams are responsible for the followings setting up the bases and chalking the lines prior to the game, adding surface or quick dry to wet areas on the infield and putting away the bases, raking out chalk lines and cleaning dugout areas after the game.
11. Each team should supply two (2) game balls.
12. Each team is responsible for cleaning their dugout at the end of each game. If another game follows, every attempt should be made to move the team and equipment away from the dugout area and clean the dugout as soon as possible.
13. Throwing of equipment (in anger), name calling, or other misconduct will not be tolerated. The offender should be removed from the game and made to sit on the bench. Repeated offenses will be reported to the leagues lead baseball board member.

BATTING

1. Each batter is entitled to five (5) pitched balls.
2. After (5) pitched balls the batter will be allowed to use the T-stand until a ball is hit in play.
3. A coach/adult from the batting team will pitch to their team. Pitches may be over-hand or underhanded and the distance/speed is at the discretion of the pitcher. In no case, should the pitcher be closer than ten (10) feet from the plate.
4. There are no walks.
5. There is no intentional bunting allowed
6. Batted balls must hit at least 10 feet from home plate. A semi-circle approximately 10 feet from the plate should be chalked off to assist in determining live balls.
7. If a batted ball hits the coach pitcher, then the play is ruled dead and all runners including the batter is awarded one base.
8. Roster batting is required. If a player misses his turn at bat, then can either be placed in the rotation as soon as possible or bat at the end of the order. Coach/scorekeeper should inform the opposing team of any skipped/missing batters.
9. Every inning each team bats until all players have batted. The hitting team should announce when the last batter comes up in the inning.
10. If a batter throws the bat more than 10 feet from home plate, then he should be warned by his coach.

FIELDING

1. All players present play in the field each inning.
2. Coaches should strive to rotate players in the field, giving each an opportunity to play at each position throughout the year. Of course, safety should always be considered and therefore it will be the coach's discretion as to which players play first base and pitcher.
3. Seven players are positioned in the infield, (C, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B left & right pitchers)
4. Infielders should be positioned either in front or behind the base paths when runners are on base.
5. The remaining players are positioned in the outfield and should be in the grass unless on Sunset 7 where they should be positioned 15/20 feet behind the infielders.
6. No player should be within 5 feet of 2B while the opposing batter is swinging.
7. Pitchers should not be closer to batter than coach pitcher. Coach pitchers should help position and ready kids for the ball when possible (especially when strong hitters are at bat)
8. Three (3) defensive coaches are allowed on the field. One of these coaches should assist the catcher to speed up the game.

BASE RUNNING

1. No base runner shall be allowed to advance more than one (1) base after a traditional putout at first base or a force out a 2nd, 3rd, or home plate.
2. No base runner shall be allowed to advance after a fly ball is caught.
3. No base runner shall advance on any overthrow.
4. No base runner shall advance further than the base he is moving toward or occupying after a ball, which is hit in the outfield is attempted to be thrown by the defensive player. The ball does not necessarily need to be in the possession of any fielder.
5. Baserunners can only advance as far as the batter advances.
6. No leadoffs.
7. The infield fly rule does not apply.
8. No base runner can collide with a fielder attempting to make a putout. If interference happens, the base runner should be called out.