



2022 Heather Healey Invitational 16U Division

June 24th - June 27th 2022

AA Division
Captials
Phantoms

Coaches must report scores to: allstar@paradiseminorbaseball.ca at the conclusion of each game!



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Rules: 16U Division

Schedule/Cancellations

- In the event of rain, an announcement concerning the scheduled games for that evening will be posted to the website of Paradise Minor Baseball. Cancellations or changes to the schedule will be communicated to the Coaches of each participating team through the GameChanger Application.

Field Dimensions

- The distance between the bases shall be **80 feet**.
- The distance from the point of home plate to the front of the pitching rubber shall be **54 feet**.

Rules of Play

- All games shall be played in accordance with regular baseball rules as contained in the Official Rules of Baseball published by Baseball Canada **except where modified by the rules detailed in this document and the BNL Manual**.
- Games will start when each team has a minimum of 9 players. If a team cannot field 8 players by the scheduled start time, then the umpire will declare a default.
- Bunts are allowed
- Stealing is permitted
- When 1st base is unoccupied or there are two outs, the batter can become a runner on a catcher's miss of a third strike. The ball is alive and in play for runners that are on base.
- Lead offs are permitted
- Intentional walks will be permitted
- Runners can advance on passed balls including attempting to score at home plate

Duration of Game



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- All games shall be **7 innings and/or 2.5 hours in duration, whichever comes first.**
- In fields where we have lights, all games shall be 7 innings and/or 2 hours 30 minutes in duration and no new inning shall start after 1 hour 45 minutes from the scheduled start time. If there is no 2nd game, the first game will be 6 innings.

For all games:

- Home team will be determined by the schedule.
- If, after the fifth inning (4 1/2 if the home team is ahead), one team leads by 10 runs or more, that team will be awarded the game. The game may be continued at the discretion of the coaches, but the result will be official after the 10-run rule is registered.
- The score shall be kept by the coaches and confirmed with the home plate umpire throughout the game.
- Mercy Rule is in effect (See page 30)

At Bat

- Only 9 players may be in the batting order, with the exception of teams choosing to use the Extra Hitter
- The Extra Hitter rule is in affect (See page 36)
- The Re-entry rule is in affect (See page 33)
- Players must play a minimum of 2 defensive innings in each game.
- A maximum of 3 runs may be scored in any one inning, with the exception of the last inning which shall be open. The home plate umpire will inform the two coaches if the last inning comes before the 6th.

Base Stealing

- Base stealing is permitted including home.
- Runners may tag and advance on a fly ball that is caught at their own risk.

Pitching



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- Pitch count will be followed as outlined on Page 38 and 39 except for the following modifications:
 - A player may pitch and catch in the same day but not the same game
 - A pitcher may pitch three consecutive days in a row if they do not exceed the daily pitch limit for their age for rest required on either of the 1st two days. Example: A player can pitch 35 on Day 1, 35 on Day 2 and 95 on Day 3.

Defense

- Players shall run on and off the field. We urge each coach to instill this in his/her players. It benefits everyone.
- All players must maintain normal baseball positions. Shifts will be allowed.