

END of season Minor, Major, and Prep Tournament Rules.

These rules supersede the park local rules where these rules conflict. For any rule NOT spelled out here will use the official rules of Cal Ripken baseball.

1. Slide Rule - There is no "must slide rule" in effect for tournament play (See Page 19).

2. Protest - A judgment call cannot be protested. All protests must be filed with the chief umpire immediately. Play will be stopped until a ruling is given by the protest committee, which will be the executive Board member on Duty and UIC. Only the manager may make a protest. The decision of the protest committee is final.

3. Re-Entry / Minimum play - There are two types of re-entry rules in effect. (Page 19/20)

a. The re-entry of any of the starting nine players is allowed. A pitcher may be re-entered as a pitcher if the re-entry is in compliance with 11.05-4 & 11.05-6.

b. Re-entry of an already used player will be permitted if all substitutes have been used and an injury/ejection occurs which prohibits the injured/ejected player from continuing in the game. Selection of this substitute must be made by the opposing manager. Ejected player must leave dugout therefore he is not eligible to be selected to continue play.

c. Every player on a team roster shall participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) consecutive defensive outs and bat at least one (1) time. All players should enter the game by the beginning of the 3rd inning in Cal Ripken, and 4th inning in Babe Ruth.

- I. Managers are responsible for fulfilling the mandatory play requirements and monitoring pitching limits.
- II. There is no exception to this rule, unless the game is shortened for any reason.
- III. Failure to meet the mandatory play requirements in this rule is a basis for protest.

4. 10 Run rule - Will be in effect for this tournament.

5. Pitching Rule – Cal Ripken / Babe Ruth tournament pitch count rules will be in effect.

6. Appeal - The appeal of a missed base is not automatic. The umpire will not rule on a missed base unless the appeal is properly made by the team on the field.

7. Suspended Games - Rescheduled by the Tournament Director. All suspended games will begin from the exact point at which play was stopped. There are no rainouts!

8. No Tobacco - The use of tobacco of any kind will not be allowed by field personnel during their active participation in a game.

9. Trips to the mound - Trips to the mound shall be limited to one per inning per pitcher. The second trip in the same inning will result in removal of that player as a pitcher. Any effort to circumvent this rule will result in a trip to the mound being charged by the umpire.

10. Warming up a pitcher - Anyone warming up a pitcher must wear protective headgear.

11. No DH rules, teams may use the EP (Extra player) rule. No speed up rules.

12. Manager is the only person to communicate with umpires.

13. Home team – Top of the bracket (Highest seed) in the winner's bracket. Loser's bracket is determined by coin toss at the end of the pre-game meeting. Home team is in the 1st base dugout unless specified otherwise at the pre-tournament meeting. Visitors take infield first when time permits. Winners bracket champion is home team in the championship game, opposite team is home in the "if" game.

14. Line up sheets - Turn in prior to game time. Not official until meeting at home plate. Changes during game give to home-plate umpire who will give to press box. (Use numbers not names when reporting changes)

15. Ejections are for the current game only unless further action is required by the Tournament Director.

16. Pitching affidavits' – Managers sign after the game. If no signature, official scorer records are official. Affidavits' can be checked at any time. If a pitcher is about to become ineligible, scorekeeper can give umpire notice. Manager has the ultimate responsibility.

17. Extra Player– Extra Player in tournament play is now an option. See rulebook for explanation of use.

18. Slash bunting is prohibited in all Cal Ripken division games. Batter will be declared out and the ball is dead should this occur. Second offense by the same team, will result in manager ejection. Any player who repeats this action in the same game will be ejected on the second occurrence.

19. Time limit – No new innings after time expires, but start and complete innings until time expires. Minor division time limit is 1 hour and 35 minutes. Majors time limit is 1 hour and 45 minutes. Babe Ruth time limit is 2 hours. New innings start when the 3rd out is recorded.

20. Scoring Limits - 7 runs per inning. When the 7th run is scored, it should be treated exactly the same as if the 3rd out was recorded.