

West Linn Spring Break Tournament Rules

2018 Rules



NO SUNFLOWER SEEDS ARE ALLOWED AT ANY OF THE TURF FIELDS

ALL GAMES PLAYED WITH USABat STANDARD APPROVED BATS ONLY

Tournament Directors:

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PLEASE TEXT SCORES TO THESE DIRECTORS AT THE CONCLUSION OF EVERY GAME.

- **The 2018 Official Cal Ripken** rules shall govern in all tournament play except as outlined below.
- **Bats:** All bats must be official Little League/Cal Ripken approved bats and must bear the stamp of the USABat licensing mark.
- **Set Roster:** No floating rosters all rosters need to be handed to tournament director at check in before first game.
- **Teams must bat the roster.** If a player is injured during play and cannot return, it is not an out when his spot in the lineup is due. Once a player misses an at-bat he cannot return to the game.
- **No substitution runners** allowed except for injured player. In that case the last out is runner. Injured player may not return to game.
- **Home team:** Home Team will be decided by coin toss prior to the start of each game. During pool play, team traveling farthest makes call. During bracket play, the team with the best seed may either make the call or defer.
- **Pitching:** Pitchers may not pitch more than 6 innings in two consecutive games. Each Manager must turn in pitching card into Tournament Director at the conclusion of game. One pitch thrown during an inning constitutes an inning pitched. Any pitcher can reenter the game as a pitcher unless they have been A) taken off the mound on a manager's second visit that inning or B) they have exceeded the 6 inning max.
- **Time Limit:** No new inning will start after 1:45. No time limit for Championship game.

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- **Rainouts:** In the event of a rainout during a game and after waiting a substantial amount of time (tournament director's discretion), the team leading the game in the last completed inning will win the game if at least three innings have been completed. Weather delays will count toward the 1:45 time limit. During pool play, if three innings have not been completed and the game has reached the time limit, the team leading the game in the last completed inning will win the game, or a tie if no team is leading. During bracket play, if three innings have not been completed and the game has reached the time limit, the Kansas City tie breaker (see below) will be in effect until at least three innings have been played and the game is untied. In the event of a tie or if the game has not started yet, a coin flip will be used to determine which teams move forward.
- **Inning Run Limit:** Innings one through five will have a five run limit for each team. There is no limit for the sixth inning. Any extra innings beyond the sixth will also have no run limit.
- **Tie games:** During pool play any game tied at the end of six innings will end in a tie. During bracket play a game tied at the end of six innings will continue with additional innings using the Kansas City tie breaker rule in effect, with the last batter completing an at bat in the previous inning placed on second base with one out to start the inning. The Kansas City plan will only apply to the Championship Bracket, not consolation bracket play. Championship Games that go to extra innings, will have the Kansas City Plan in effect and will be played to its entirety. If the game is still tied after 8 innings, the game will revert back to last untied inning with that team winning. If there is no untied inning during the game, coin toss called by team travelling furthest will determine winner.
- **Ten-run rule:** will be in effect after four innings for all games including the championship game.
- **All players,** with the exception of the on-deck batter, pitcher warming up, or player about to enter the game, must remain inside the dugout.
- **Speed of Play:** In order to speed up play, warm-up pitches cannot take more than one minute from time of the last out. A new pitcher entering the game during an inning will be allowed at least 6 pitches.
- **Protests:** NO protests will be allowed, with the exception of pitching rule violations. In all other situations, the umpire decision is final.

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Bracket Play Placement:

Criteria for placement in Bracket Play

1. Win/Loss record
2. Head to Head record
3. Least runs allowed
4. Most runs scored - - no more than 10 runs per game
5. Coin toss