



## Rick Honeycutt World Series Rules

- **Team Insurance**
  - All teams are required to have insurance and should be carried with them at all times. It is the coach/manager's responsibility to make sure all your players are covered under your teams insurance.
- **Team Registration**
  - Entry fee is \$100.00
  - Cut-off date is May 1st for each age group.
  - Proof of player's eligibility of age must be available upon request.
  - Players may only play on one team in a tournament.
- **Gate admission**
  - Each team in the 9-12U divisions will be provided with three (3) coaches passes, each team in the 5-8U divisions will be provided with (4) coaches passes. It will be the manager's responsibility to distribute these passes as he sees fit.
  - Gate fees will be \$6.00 per day or \$20.00 tournament pass.
  - Kids 12 under will be free.
- **Food/Beverages**
  - Concessions will be open 1 hour before the first game.
  - NO coolers will be allowed in the park.
  - NO alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the park.
- **Tournament Format**
  - Each age group will have their own format depending on the number of teams that have entered for that age.
  - There will be a 4 game guarantee for each team.

- Tournament directors reserve the right to alter or change the tournament format, only if necessary, to ensure the completion of the tournament.
- This tournament is designed for any recreational team. No select teams will be allowed.
- **General Rules**
  - Game length
    - Ages 8 and Under
      - Each game will consist of 6 innings or no new inning will start after 60 minutes.
    - Ages 9-14
      - Each game will consist of 6 innings or no new inning will start after 90 minutes.
  - Run Rule
    - Ages 8 and under will be a maximum of 7 runs per inning.
    - There will be no run limit per inning for ages 9-14.
  - Mercy Rule
    - For ages 8 and under you will have to be mathematically eliminated
    - For ages 9-14 the run rule will be 15 runs after 3 complete innings or 8 runs after each completed inning thereafter.
  - Bat Rule
    - All bats must have the USA logo or be a one piece wooden bat or a -3 bbcore
      - Coaches should resolve any questions on bat concerns prior to first pitch of the game.
    - Penalty for illegal bats
      - 1<sup>st</sup> offense
        - Out recorded for the batter who used the illegal bat. All runners must return to previous base prior to the current batter.
      - 2<sup>nd</sup> offense
        - Penalties for first offense plus the Head Coach and player will be ejected.
  - Lineup Rules
    - All lineups shall be exchanged before the first pitch of the game with the starting catcher marked. For ages 9 and up the starting pitcher must also be marked.
    - CBO (continuous batting order) may be used in ages 5-12U. This must be marked before the start of the game.

- If CBO is used, all players with the exception of the pitcher may enter and leave the game at will on defense.
    - A starting pitcher may re-enter the game one time during the duration of the game.
    - A substitute may not re-enter the game as a pitcher.
  - A team may bat only nine with all other players marked as substitutes.
    - If this is the case all starting players may re-enter the game one time.

There is not free substitution on this scenario.
- Pitching Rules
  - Each pitcher has 15 innings per tournament.
  - After 3 innings plus one pitch pitched in any game or day, that pitcher is deemed ineligible to pitch for 36 hours from the time he leaves the mound.
  - Innings pitched will be calculated by outs recorded (1/3, 2/3, 1).
  - The umpires are responsible for completing a pitching log. The pitching log needs to be signed by both coaches prior to leaving the field.
- Courtesy Runner
  - Courtesy runner maybe used for the catcher and pitcher (9 and up only) with less than 2 outs , and for the catcher only in (8 and under).
    - The courtesy runner must be the last batted out if using a CBO or a substitute that is not currently in the game.
    - If there are 2 outs then you must use a courtesy runner for the catcher in 9 and up
- Determining Tie Breakers
  - Wins/Loses
  - Head to Head
  - Runs Allowed
  - Run Differential
  - Coin Flip
- Determining Home Team
  - Bracket play the home team will be the higher seed.
  - In pool play there will be a coin toss to determine the home team.
  - Home team is the official score book and must sit in the score box.
  - Visitors must run the scoreboard.
- **EJECTIONS**
  - Any player, coach or spectator ejected from a game must sit out the remainder of that game and the next scheduled game.

- **PROTESTS**

- All protests regarding an illegal player must be made before the umpires leave the field. A protest fee of \$100 cash must be presented to the tournament director before any protest will be heard.
- Any protests regarding a rule must be made before the next pitch. There is no fee to protest a rule.
- Any rules not covered in the general form or any the age specific will refer to the major league rule book.