

WOODRIDGE TRAVEL BASEBALL



TOURNAMENTS

Insurance:

All teams are required to carry accidental insurance coverage for the players, coaches, and manager of their respective teams. A copy of insurance coverage must be submitted to the tournament director or his staff prior to the start of the tournament.

Official rules follow those used by the Illinois High School Association with the exception of the modifications spelled out in this document.

Rules:

1. A player cannot turn the next age level before April 30th of this year. Teams must have available a copy of each player's birth certificate at all times throughout the tournament.
2. Rosters with birth dates must be turned in to tournament director prior to the start of the tournament. There will be NO changes to the original Roster once submitted to the tournament director. A team found using an ineligible player will forfeit all games the ineligible player played in.
3. All players must wear protective athletic supporter and hard cup. All base runners must wear a batting helmet.
4. No metal cleats.
5. Woodridge Park District has a No Smoking policy.
6. There are no gate fees. The tournament will provide baseballs for all games.
7. Only players in uniform, manager, coaches and scorekeeper are allowed in the dugout.
8. Dugouts are selected on a first come, first serve basis. In Pool Play, the Home team will be determined by a coin flip before the game. In Seeded Rounds, the higher seed will be the Home Team.
9. Umpires decisions are official and final. No protests of any type.
10. No un-sportsmanship like conduct will be allowed. Any coach, player, parent, or fan whose conduct is unbecoming or abusive may be removed from the playing field or stands at the discretion of tournament officials or umpires. Anyone ejected must leave the park immediately. If the same person is ejected a second time, they will not be allowed in the park for the remainder of the tournament. Failure to comply will result in forfeiture of the game.
11. If a game is called for any reason, it is a "complete game" if three (3) innings have been completed or two & a half (2 1/2) innings if the Home Team is ahead. A game that has not reached this inning mark, will resume at the point where it left off when rescheduled.

12. If lightning occurs, the umpire shall halt play and immediately clear the field and dugouts. If a game is delayed more than 50 minutes (consecutive or intermittent) and it can be classified as a “complete game” per the rules, the game will be considered completed.
13. Mercy Rule will be defined as:
 1. 15 runs after 3 complete innings (2½ if home team is ahead)
 2. 10 runs after 4 complete innings (3½ if home team is ahead)
 3. 8 runs after 5 complete innings (4½ if home team is ahead)
14. Tie Games: In the event of a tie score at the end of a regulation length game (6 innings), extra innings will be played till the time limit with California Tie-Breaker Rules as described below.
 1. California Tie Breaker Rules: All extra innings will start with 1 out, the player who made the last batted out will be placed at 2nd base as a base runner and all batters will start their at-bat with a 1-1 count.
 2. Pool Play Games: In the case of a tie score during pool play due to time limit, darkness or weather the game will end in a tie with each team receiving ½ win and ½ loss in the standings.
 3. Bracket Play Games: In the case of a tie score during bracket play, the game will continue using California Tie-Breaker Rules until a winner is determined regardless of time.
15. No time limit restrictions on final championship round games.
16. Each team must provide a scorekeeper. Before the start of the game, each manager must provide the opposing manager with a completed batting order for that game. This must include the player’s last name and jersey number. Scorekeepers should check with each other to verify the score at the end of each inning.
17. Runners should slide or seek to avoid contact with the fielder. If in the umpire’s judgment the runner intentionally and/or maliciously makes contact with a fielder, that runner will be called out and may be ejected from the game at the umpire’s discretion. Rule interpretation made by umpire is final.
18. A courtesy runner may be used at any time for the pitcher or catcher of the next inning (mandatory for catcher if there are 2 outs). The runner will be the player that made the most recently batted out. **Penalty:** A team caught using a courtesy runner for a pitcher or catcher that does not enter the following inning will start their next offensive inning with an out for each improper runner used during the previous inning.
19. A team found violating any pitching rules/restrictions will result in a forfeit of the game for the offending team.
20. One pitch will constitute an inning pitched. The manager or coach must remove a pitcher on the second trip to the mound in an inning.
21. A pitcher hitting two (2) batters with a pitched ball in an inning or three (3) in a game must be removed from the game as pitcher.
22. All non-wood bats must be stamped BPF 1.15 or BBCOR.
23. An intentional walk may take place by informing the umpire.
24. Unlimited substitutions are permitted except for the pitcher, who once removed cannot be reinserted as the pitcher in that game.
25. A continuous batting order is in effect for all rostered players present. Eight (8) players are needed to avoid forfeiture of a game.
26. A forfeit game will be scored 7-0.
27. If a batter shows bunt, he cannot fake the bunt and swing away. This will result in the batter being called out and a dead ball.
28. No Chanting, Singing, Distractive Noises or Defensive Chatter allowed once the pitcher begins his wind-up or if pitching from the stretch, comes to the set position. No noise makers at any time (horns, clickers, bells, etc.).

29. No Pre-Game Warm-Ups on the field.
 30. Playing Rules

Rule	11u
Innings	6
Base Distance	70 ft.
Pitching Distance	48 ft.
Pitching – Max Innings Per Game	3
Pitching – Max Innings for Tournament	9
Time Limit (no new inning)	1 hr. 40 mins
Balks	Yes (1 warning per pitcher)
Curve/Breaking Pitches	No
Infield Fly	Yes
Drop 3rd Strike	Yes
Lead Offs	Yes
Stealing Allowed	Yes
Delayed Steals	Yes

31. Final standings in each division will be determined depending on the tournament format. Please see the game schedule/brackets for the specific age group for any alterations. If none are listed for the specific age group, the standings will be determined by the following tiebreaker rules:
1. Overall Won-Loss Record
 2. Head to Head
 3. Fewest Runs Allowed
 4. Most Runs Scored
 5. Coin Toss

In the case of a 3 or more way tie, the higher seed will be determined first using the tiebreaker rules, after one team is deemed to be the higher seed they will be removed from further calculations and the tiebreaker rules will be reset at the first level to determine the next highest seed. This process will repeat until all needed seeds are determined. If during this promotion process, the 2 highest teams are tied, the tiebreaker rules will be reset and applied to those 2 teams to determine the higher seed, the higher seed will be promoted and removed from further calculation; the lower team in that tie will then be placed back into the group for the next round of tie-breaker calculations with a reset.

32. The designated Home Team must submit a completed Game Scoring Form at the end of each game to the tournament representative at the field and it shall be considered the official record of the game. It is each manager's responsibility to ensure the form is accurate and submitted within 15 minutes of the game ending.
33. Umpires have been instructed to start games promptly. Pitchers should warm up on the sidelines when waiting for the next game. After the game, please leave your dugouts promptly removing all trash and conduct your post game talk outside the field. All teams should be ready to play 30 minutes prior to their scheduled game time. Campers, RV's, Trailers, etc. are prohibited from using parking lots during the tournament.
34. Grilling (gas or charcoal), is prohibited on park grounds during the tournament.
35. Tournament host and park owners are not responsible for damage or injury. Enter the park at your own risk.
36. Woodridge Travel Baseball and the tournament staff reserve the right to enforce, clarify, alter or modify any of the above rules prior to or during this Tournament. Every reasonable effort will be

made to keep the tournament going, however in the case of inclement weather, the Tournament Director reserves the right to do one or more of the following:

1. Move games to other days, times or locations.
2. Reduce the length or number of games.
3. Cancel games. If no games are played due to weather, we will refund all money except a \$175 tournament fee, no refund will be issued once your team has played one game. No refunds will be given for teams withdrawing closer than 60 days to the start of the tournament.