



## Pete Doumit Memorial Rules

### RULES & GAME LENGTH:

**Cal Ripken** and **Babe Ruth** rules with pitching rule modifications for the tournament.

- 8u-12u GAME TIMES: 6 Innings or 1 hour and 40 minutes. No new inning may be started after time has expired. A new inning starts when the previous inning ends. 3rd/4th place game will have a time limit. \*No time limit on the Championship game ONLY, yet Mercy Rules still apply.
- 13u-14u GAME TIMES: 7 Innings or 1 hour and 50 minutes. No new inning may be started after time has expired. A new inning starts when the previous inning ends. 3rd/4th place game will have a time limit. \*No time limit on the Championship game ONLY, yet Mercy Rules still apply.
- MERCY RULES 12 runs after 2 ½ or 3 innings 10 runs after 3 ½ or 4 innings or any time after.

### Ties 9-14U Rules

- **TIES: If there is a tie at the end of the game, the Tie Breaker will apply. Each team will start the inning with the player who was last recorded OUT, as a Base Runner on 2nd base with one (1) out already on the books.**
- \*Pool-play: There must be time left on the clock to incorporate the Tie Breaker. If time has expired the game will end in a tie! (no new inning may be started after time has expired in any Pool-play game).
- \*Seeding/Play-off: Games will always incorporate the Tie Breaker in Play-off games, at end of time limit.

### 9U/10U & 11/12U Rules

#### PITCHING RULES

- 9U/10U- No Balks will be called, just warnings.
- 11U/12U- Balks will be called after one warning.
- 9U/10U-Pitchers are allowed 3 innings per game with a maximum of 7 innings per Tournament. Pitchers will receive (1) EXTRA Inning for the Championship Game (7 innings + 1 = 8 TOTAL.)
- 11U/12U-Pitchers are allowed 3 innings per game with a maximum of 8 innings per Tournament. Pitchers will receive (1) EXTRA Inning for the Championship Game (8 innings + 1 = 9 TOTAL.)
- Once the pitcher is removed from the mound he may not re-enter as a pitcher.
- A pitcher must be removed from the mound upon the 2nd visit by the coach/manager in that same inning. Each pitcher is allowed 2 visits by the coach.

**Violation of Pitching Rules = Ejection of the head coach “and” the pitcher in question.**

## STARTING/ENDING THE GAME

- Teams may warm-up in the outfield grass before their game if time permits. Game time is "Forfeit Time". Be ready to play. No formal infield/outfield is allowed prior to the game. No soft-toss into the chain link fence is allowed.
- A coin flip will determine the Home Team before the game for pool play. The higher seeded team will be designated Home Team for playoffs.

### A few reminders:

- All bats must be stamped **USAbats!**
- No pitcher to catcher rule restrictions.
- No Slug Bunts allowed. The batter will be called out if he turns to bunt and swings away.
- No Head-First slides allowed. Runners may dive head-first only when returning to a base.
- If a runner attempting to reach home plate intentionally/maliciously runs into a defensive player in the area of home plate, he will be called out and ejected from the game. This is a judgment call by the umpire. Players return to the bases last touched at the collision.
- Courtesy runners are allowed for current pitcher and catcher only, must be a player not in the lineup, if roster batting then the furthest batter away.
- A player judged by the umpire as throwing the bat after successfully hitting the ball will be warned once. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense by the same player will result in an out. 3<sup>rd</sup> offense by any player on the team will result in an ejection.
- **No lead-off: 9u-10u=No drop ball strike three. 11u-12u=Drop ball strike three**
- **9U ONLY!!!** Max allowed runs of 5 per inning.

## SEEDING:

1. Record,
2. Head to Head,
3. Runs Allowed/max runs allowed-10 per game,
4. Runs Scored/max runs scored-10 per game,
5. Coin Toss \*Runs Allowed examples: you win (13 to 12 = Runs allowed are 10) & (7 to 5 = Runs allowed are 5)  
\*Runs Scored example: you win (13 to 12 = Runs scored are 10) & (7 to 5 = Runs scored are 7)

## SPORTSMANSHIP

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## 13U/14U Rules

13u-14u: pitchers are allowed **10 innings per tournament**. However we ask that coaches use discretion to guarantee the safety of their athletes.

Headfirst slide allowed into all bases.

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