

Dan Ertter Memorial Day weekend Tournament

GENERAL RULES:

- The tournament director or his/her appointed representative (e.g. Umpires) shall be the sole judge as to the playing conditions of the fields and is responsible to make a decision for a called game and/or termination of play.
- A roster with player's last name, first name, birth date, and uniform number must be turned in at start of tournament to Concessions. Have birth certificates available in case questions arise. Tournament age is player's age as of May 1.
- Teams shall be at the field 30 minutes before the scheduled game time. If a team cannot field a team at the scheduled start time, they will forfeit.
- Coin flip in pool play will determine home and round one in a three-game guarantee bracket
- The higher seed will be the home team in all games in semifinals and/or finals.
- No protests are allowed.
- The infield fly rule shall be in effect for all age divisions.
- Metal Cleats allowed only at 13u and 14u only
- Profanity or misconduct by a player, coach, or manager will not be tolerated and may result in dismissal from the game, tournament, and park. If does not leave team will be forfeited.
- Games can end in a tie in pool play only

BATTING / LINEUP RULES:

- Teams can bat a 9-player lineup, or roster bat all present uniformed players. The lineup must be declared before the start of the game and used the entire game.
- If a team uses a lineup that contains 10 players, the player in the EH position, while not actually playing a defensive position, is treated as such for substitution purposes. There is NO DH.
- If a team chooses to roster bat, then all players other than the nine defensive position players are additional hitters and can move freely in defensive positions.
- If a team is batting all present, uniformed players, with no eligible substitutes listed on the lineup card, and the number of players is 9 or 10, that team is considered to be roster batting for the purposes of defensive substitutions and courtesy runners, unless the coach has specifically declared otherwise at the pregame plate conference. If additional players arrive after the game has started, those players are placed at the end of the batting order. If the coach declares at the pregame plate conference that he is not roster batting, the late players are listed on the lineup as eligible substitutes.
- Speed-up rule is in effect. Teams may use a courtesy runner anytime for the catcher. The runner must be a player from the bench, or if none available -- the last batted out if roster batting.

BAT SIZES

- No Restrictions.

GAME RULES:

- All games have a 2:00 hour time limit. No inning shall start after 2:00 hour unless the inning is needed to create an official game or to complete an extra inning game. Games suspended due to weather that have not reached an official game will continue from that point.
- Note: If a Home team is at bat and leading at the time limit, no further batters permitted-game over.
- NO TIME LIMIT IN CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND GAMES.
- **There is NO DROP 3rd Strike Rule in the minor division, batter out and runners may advance.**
- **At minor level, because it is a "combined" division, No leadoffs and no stealing till ball crosses the plate**

- 1 Balk warning PER PITCHER at all age groups except 13u.
- Runners must slide or give up if there is a play being made at a base. No hurdling or running into the fielder and no head first slide unless you lead off and going back to base is allowed.
- Games are 6 innings in length at Minors and Majors. Games are 7 innings in length at Ponies
- Mercy Rule: Minors and Majors: 12 runs after 4 innings, 10 runs after 5 innings.
- Mercy Rule: Ponies 8 runs after 5 innings

Pitching Rules:

- One pitch constitutes one inning pitched. (Does not include warm-ups)
- Minors and Majors pitchers only allowed to pitch 3 innings per game
- Ponies may pitch 4 innings
- A pitcher may not return to the mound once removed in that game. If a pitcher returns to the mound “illegally”-
-- Correct the wrong—NO PENALTY.

TIE BREAKER:

- 1) Head to Head 2) Fewest runs allowed 3) Most runs scored (Max 8/game) 4) Coin-flip

RAINOUT POLICY:

- In the event of bad weather, Willowick baseball has the right to modify and complete the tournament any way feasible to all teams involved. Refunds will be issued based on games completed. Any started game with umpire(s) paid may be considered a played game in the refund policy. Full refunds are not possible due to park rentals and umpire payments.

75% Refund if no games are played

60% Refund if one game is played

No Refund if 2 or more games are played

REPORTING SCORES:

- Winning teams shall text score to Doug Pintar (314) 629-9190