

TAR RIVER YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE

2018

13-15 BOYS BASEBALL RULES

Updated on 5-14-18

Roster/Line-Up Rules:

1. Rosters will have a maximum of 15 players and minimum of 10 per roster.
2. Player's ages will be based off of their age as of May 1st.
3. Only 3 Coaches will be allowed in the dugout.
 - a. Coach 1 – In the Dugout (may also be scorekeeper)
 - b. Coach 2 – 1st Base Coach
 - c. Coach 3 – 3rd Base Coach
4. One coach may sit or squat outside the dugout during play, all team members and other coaches not all ready mentioned must stay in the dugout at all times. (Beware of Batted Balls, remember you are liable if you get hurt)
5. All Coaches and Players must be wearing closed toed shoes at all times while at the ball fields for games or practices, both coaches and players will be allowed to wear steal spiked cleats. **(Pitchers CANNOT wear metal cleats)**
6. Teams must have a minimum of 8 to start and finish a game.
7. The same lineup must be used throughout the game unless due to injury or extenuating circumstances
8. A base coach is allowed at the coach's box at 1st and 3rd base to help direct the players, he may not touch or move the players (interference rule)
9. The pitcher and catcher may have a courtesy runner at any time but it is mandatory for the catcher with two outs. The runner will be the last player to make an out in the lineup. **The catcher MUST be the catcher of record.**
10. Coaches must present the scorekeeper and umpire a copy of their lineup before each game. All players must be listed in the batting order and that order will not change during the game. In the event that a player leaves a game for any reason other than an ejection, the scorekeeper will be notified and the player will be out for the remainder of the game with no penalty.
11. Any coach ejected must leave the facility immediately or the game will be ruled a forfeit. Any coach or player ejected will serve at least a one game suspension at their team's next game. Longer suspension is possible and will be based on the actions that caused the initial ejection.
12. Any player ejected may stay in the dugout. Any further problems from the ejected player can/will result in game being forfeited.

Game Play Rules:

13. No Judgment Calls can be appealed. Umpire's Decision is Final.
14. Games will have a maximum of 100 minutes, If the game is in the top half of an inning and the 100 minutes is up, you will finish the bottom half of the inning. If the 100 minutes comes up during the bottom half of an inning, that will be the final inning. If there is 1 minute left in the time limit, a new inning will start. **TIME SHOULD START WITH THE FIRST PITCH OF THE GAME.**
15. Home and Away teams will be designated on the league schedule. Home team is listed first, and sits in 3rd base dugout.
16. Slaughter Rule: If a team leads by 10 or more runs after the 5th inning, the game will be called.
17. We will only play extra innings during the tournament, games will end in a tie if the time limit ends and teams are tied or the 7th inning is over and both teams have the same amount of runs
18. Infield fly rule is in effect.
19. Continuous batting order-for all teams.
 - A. 9 players will play defense. Maximum 6 players in the infield.
 - B. Defense: All players must play two defensive innings before the 4th inning. Any position other than the pitcher may be substituted at the coach's discretion

Pitching Rules

20. A pitcher may pitch 7 innings per week. A week consists of Monday through Sunday.
21. Pitchers may only pitch 7 innings per consecutive Tournament games.
22. Only the starting pitcher removed from the mound or the game may return to the mound in the same game.

23. Mound Visits: If any coach visits the same player pitching more than one time in the same inning, that player must be removed from the game as a pitcher, but may play other positions in the field

Hitting/Stealing Rules:

24. Field playing dimensions:

Bases: 80 feet

Rubber: 56 feet

25. Players may steal at any time and leading off of bases is allowed.
26. Bat throwing that results in hitting another player or if warned once by the umpire will result in the batter being called out. Runner may not advance (The entire dugout will be warned and noted in the scorebook).

Approved Bats:

27. The bat may not exceed 34" in length, and the bat barrel may not exceed 2 5/8" in diameter. Only bats certified and marked BBCOR .50 or has the USA Marking will be allowed. Wood barrel bats conforming to the specifications of Official Baseball Rule 1.10 are allowed. All bats must be a drop -3. **Ghost 30/20 has been declared an illegal bat. If you have someone in your league that has purchased one, Easton is doing some sort of reimbursement.**

Coaches, Parents and Fans:

28. Nash County Recreation & Senior Services will not reschedule any games unless there is inclement weather. Those games will be made up, first, on days where there are fields available (This could result in weekend games) and secondly, at the end of the season. End of season tournament may take place during week or weekend.
29. Schedules and Standings will be posted on the bulletin board in Spring Hope and Red Oak, and also on the Nash County website. <http://www.co.nash.nc.us/parks/>
30. Any Assistant Coach or Parent that comes on the field to question or yells their displeasures about a call will be ejected and removed from the facility.
31. No Tobacco or Alcohol is permitted on any park premises.
32. No Profanity
33. The two teams will shake hands following each game
34. Parents and Coaches, please bring snacks for your children, there will be concessions offered at most games.
35. Coaches and Parents, please pick up all of your trash following the games.
36. Score Keepers: All Score Keepers should be in your team's dugout when your team is batting, they should be communicating the score and inning following each at bat. If you feel as though the score keepers are not keeping you well informed, please contact us immediately. They should all have on a staff t-shirt so they are recognized.