

Monticello Youth Baseball

Home Rules 2017

League Rules:

1. Home team for the first game is responsible for setup and striping the field. Home team for the second game is responsible for tearing down and dragging the field. Home team is the second number listed on the schedule. It is crucial to get games started on time. Please get there early to get setup. (If your game starts late, the second game will be behind as well.) Coaches, remind your parents to clean up their trash and help keep the parks clean.
2. Umpire's decision is final! Please help kids understand that, in the situation, whether you agree or not, it is what is called. They will learn by your reaction.
3. There will be 1 extra inning in case of tie. "California Tie Breaker" will apply. Last out of previous inning starts at second base. Batter starts with 1 ball, 1 strike. The inning starts with one out. If, after that inning, there is still a tie, then the game will conclude as a tie. In seeding for tournament, it will be whoever scored most runs in head to head.
4. There will be no fake bunting aloud in rec league in all divisions. If you show bunt, then you must bunt or pull bat back. If this happens during game situation, a dead ball will be called and a strike will be added to batter. The team will be warned. If it happens again, batter will be called out. 8u must show bunt before ball goes into machine.
5. All players on roster must bat in every division.
6. All players must have a minimum of six outs in the outfield or must start the next game in the field.
7. 10u no drop third strike.
8. Each league needs a pool of players established to fill in roster incase a team cannot field a team. The league may pull 10u players up to 12u or 8u players up to 10u. The substitute players will need to play right field, may not pitch, and will bat last in lineup. If the team has more than 2 players missing they will have to forfeit or reschedule the game.
9. 8u pitchers must stand behind the wheel of the machine before ball is pitched. The player must have one foot touching the chalk circle and must wear a fielder's mask.
10. In 8u division, there will be no stealing home if there is a passed ball. If the runners are in motion and the ball is still in play, the runner may advance home. If the runner is on third and there is a passed ball, then runner must stay at third. Play stops when lead runner is pushed back to base or ball is in circle. If the ball is thrown into circle, but runners are active, the player will advance without being put out if he/she is passed the half way mark. Once the ball is in the circle and under control, the play is dead and the ball may not be thrown back out. If the ball is hit to pitcher in the circle, he/she has the

opportunity to make the out or hold the ball, which will kill the play, but the batter will advance to first. If the pitcher chooses to make the play, the ball becomes live and all runners will be active. Runners will be active until one of those 2 options are achieved. There is also a rule change this year; only 5 pitches instead of 6.

11. Live Arm Pitching Rules: 2 innings - no rest, 3 innings - 1 day, 4 innings - 2 days, 5 or more - 3 days rest. Tournament pitching rules: 6 innings per game, 9 innings in consecutive games, and 12 innings per tournament. One pitch in an inning counts as an inning pitched. A starting pitcher may re-enter as pitcher one time in the same game, but it will count against their innings pitched. Coaches need to fill out pitch log in concession after the game.
12. Throwing a bat will be a warning to the team. The next batter to throw bat will be automatic out. This applies to all divisions. We don't want kids getting hurt. Therefore, it will not be tolerated.
13. Rain out games will be called by league president by 4:30 in Monticello and by 4:00 central time for North Judson in the event of rain. Make up games may have to be rescheduled for Saturday mornings since fields are booked. Rain outs/delays will be called by umpire if game is in progress. Coaches need to make sure everything is documented in case of cancelation. Game will restart in exact same spot.
14. Chatter: all catchers will be allowed to chatter if they so choose. You may not address batter by name, use profanity, use verbal abuse, or talk about athlete's family. This rule is umpire discretion. One warning will be given to the team and the coach will be ejected if it continues.
15. Courtesy runner can be used for catcher and for injury. If courtesy runner is used for injury, then replacement runner must be last out of previous injury. Injured player must be taken out of the lineup for next at bat if the team has more than 9 players and will not be charged an out since we are playing a continuous lineup.