

ROOKIE DIVISION RULES

1. A game shall consist of 6 regular innings. In case of a tie, no more than two extra innings will be played. If the score is still tied at the end of the 7th inning, the game will end in a tie.
2. The maximum number of runs per inning, for the first five innings, is 5 runs. Any innings thereafter shall be unlimited runs.
3. Pitching: Coach Pitch (coaches will pitch their own players) 35 feet pitching mound, 56 feet base distance.
4. A player may bunt on any pitch.
5. The tenth player shall play in the outfield only. There will be only six players on the infield including the dirt, until the ball is put in play by the batter.
6. There shall be no leading off or stealing. A base runner may only leave the base as the ball crosses home plate.
7. A runner must slide if there is a play being made at the base she is advancing to.
"A play" is the umpires discretion.
8. A runner is awarded 1 base on a ball thrown out of bounds.
9. Time out can not be called while a play is in progress unless the umpire sees an injured child and deems play should stop immediately for her safety.
10. When a team is at bat, the batter and the on-deck batter are the only two players allowed outside the dugout.
13. No variations from the schedule shall be allowed except for rain. All rain outs will be played upon the first available rain out date.
14. All players will play at least 4 innings in the field, two of those innings must be in the infield. This will keep the interest of the players, because they will sit no more than one inning in a row. Rotate a new group of players (the ones that are on the bench the inning before) onto the field each inning,
Exception: It is possible that one or two players are not able to play the infield because of ability, please discuss this with opposing manager and parent of player.
15. A batter is allowed 5 pitches, unless he hits a fair ball, fouls off the 5th pitch, or strikes out before the fifth pitch. There are no walks. Keep the pitches between the waist and the knees.
16. Hit ball must be back on the infield to be a dead ball, once batter reaches first or is put out.
17. Pitcher make calls at home plate and second base, the first and third base coaches make the calls at their base.
18. IA team can play with as few as eight (8) players. Any less reschedule the game.
19. All other rules will be taken from the Babe Ruth Softball Rules hand books.

SPECIAL LEAGUE POLICY

1. The home team is responsible for passing the hat for contributions. The money is to be dropped off that evening at the Dime Bank night drop (Drive Thru) on Church Street where it will be recorded. (deposit slip must be filled out completely).
2. Record the game summary on the Game Report and turn the top portion in at the Wayne Independent and the Secretary's Form to your Division Vice President.
3. Visiting team will police up the entire field before leaving, this includes bleachers, dugouts etc..