

# Coosa Baseball Association BPA League Rules

PLEASE REFER TO THE ONLINE BPA RULE BOOK FOR THE OFFICIAL RULES. This consist of the modified and approved rules adopted by Coosa Baseball Association

\*All teams must have copies of Birth Certificates for each player.

## Coosa age eligibility:

The Age eligibility (cut-off date) is defined as the age the participant is (will be) on April 30, 2021. There will be NO exceptions to this rule. A player may play in a higher age bracket than allocated but will not be allowed to play down in a lower age bracket. A player must be at least 4 years old based on the birthday to play

## Pitching Rules

**The start of the week is Sunday at 12:00 AM**

Weekly League Play

9U thru 12U:

- No more than 6 innings in a week
- 65 pitches per game max
- If the pitcher throws more than 30 pitches he is required to have 2 days rest.

League Tournament

9U/10U: no more than 8 innings in 2 consecutive days

11U/12U: no more than 10 innings in 2 consecutive days

13U & up: no more than 12 innings in 2 consecutive days

\*One pitch counts as an inning

## Time Limits

6U will play 6 innings or 1:15.

8U-12U will play 6 innings or 1:30.

13U & up will play 7 innings or 1:30.

If the time limit is reached, the current inning will be finished and no new inning will begin. Weekly games may end in a tie. League Tournament games will continue the completion of a new inning until a team wins by score.

## Run Rule

12 runs after 3 innings

10 runs after 4 innings

8 runs after 5 innings

## Substitutions and Batting Lineups

Teams can choose to:

Bat 9

Bat 10 with EH

Bat 9 with DH

Bat 10 with DH and EH

Bat entire roster with free substitution except the pitcher.

All starters may re-enter one time in their original spot in the lineup.

A team may start a game with an 8 player lineup. An out will be declared for the 9<sup>th</sup> position in the batting lineup each time it appears. If another player becomes available, they may be added into the 9<sup>th</sup> position at that time.

A team can pick up 2 players to make 9 or 1 player to make 10 from a Coosa Baseball Team only. If a player/players is picked up, then that player/[layers must bat last, play in the outfield and cannot pitch.

### **Courtesy Runner**

A courtesy runner may be used for the pitcher and/or catcher of record at any time during the inning.

- a. The CR must be a player not in the lineup; if all players are in the lineup, then the player farthest from coming to bat shall be used as the CR.
- b. No appearance or removal will be charged against either player.
- c. The CR is in the game when he has taken his position on base and the home plate umpire puts the ball in play.

### **Protest**

Any protest will be ruled by the Coosa Association Board. Rule applications may be protested; judgment calls may not. A \$100 protest fee is required to file a protest and will be returned if the protest is upheld.

### **Sportsmanship**

Coaches are expected to demonstrate good sportsmanship for their team and their fans. They are also responsible for the behavior of their team and their fans.

Any coach or player who is ejected from a game will be suspended for the following game. A coach who is ejected must leave the complex immediately or be subject to additional penalties.

Any spectator who is disruptive or who displays poor sportsmanship may be removed at the discretion of the umpire, Coosa Board Member or complex representative.