

2014
W.C.Y.A.A.
Spring-Summer Rules
2-4 YEAR OLD INSTRUCTIONAL Tee-Ball LEAGUE

Updates for 2014 Spring-Summer Season: All Coaches in the field or in the dugout during games must be certified thru the Babe Ruth Leagues, Inc. National Coaches Certification Program. A copy of the certificate must be turned into the W.C.Y.A.A. offices before the first game or the insurance for the team is no longer in force. One scorekeeper can be in the dugout that is not certified thru the Babe Ruth Program.

2-4 Co-ed Instructional Tee-Ball players do not have restrictions on the bats they use.

All coaches must be certified through the Babe Ruth Leagues, Inc. Program or the W.C.Y.A.A. Program. The Babe Ruth Certification is lifetime. The W.C.Y.A.A. Coaches certification will be accepted for this division. Coaches cannot be in the dugout or on the field during games without the Babe Ruth Certification or W.C.Y.A.A. Penalty: Team Will Forfeit Their Game!

Coaches, players, and scorekeepers are not allowed to have any tobacco products of any type inside playing field or dugout. Coaches and scorekeepers are not allowed to go outside the field/gate to smoke between innings. Penalty: Per Babe Ruth...ejection and two game suspension.

A batters box is mandatory for each WCYAA game during the 2014 Spring-Summer season. No game will be started without a correct batter's box in place!

Players must be at least 2 years old by March 1, 2014, and cannot become 5 years old before April 30, 2014.

Coaches will umpire the 2-4 Co-ed Instructional Age Division.

It is mandatory that each team will use a continuous batting order. Each team will bat its entire team in your offensive part of the inning. If one team has four or more players than the other team, then the team with four less players will bat twice in its offensive part of the inning.

NO SCORE WILL BE KEPT FOR THE 2-4 YEAR OLD INSTRUCTIONAL LEAGUE. The home team is responsible for turning in the score sheets by Monday at lunch after a weekend game. If you play during the week, the home team must turn in the score sheet by lunch the following day. Score sheets will reflect only at bats and hits. There is no winner or loser. Email score sheets to mgd39@wcyaa.org.

The coach or an adult will pitch the first three (3) pitches (this is mandatory). If the player does not hit one of the three (3) pitches, then he/she will bat from the tee. The ball may be pitched over or

underhanded to the player. On the third pitch if contact is made, then the pitcher may pitch the ball again.

The bat hitting the tee and the bat hitting the ball is a judgment call by the umpire. If the bat hits only the tee, hit over. If the bat hits the ball and the tee at the same time, the play will stand.

The bases will be 50 feet apart and the pitcher's plate will be located at 38 feet. Coaches may pitch according to the individual player. (You do not have to pitch from the rubber.)

Once the ball is in possession of any defensive player, no runner can advance past the base he/she is advancing to. Please mark halfway between third base and home plate. The player can be tagged out on any over running of a base EXCEPT first base. The runner cannot be tagged out for turning in towards second base when running to first base.

No advancing on an overthrow to any base.

Every player must play the entire game on the offence and defense. All extra players (over 10) will be placed in the outfield behind the 10-foot line.

Coaches are not allowed to touch the players when the ball is in play. RULE: AUTOMATIC OUT!

Each team will bat three (3) times. There will be a 1 hour and 15 minute time limit.

A fair-batted ball must travel at least five (5) feet before being a legal hit. Make a semicircle from the front of home plate indicating five (5) feet.

There will be five infielders only (1st base; 2nd base; SS; 3rd base; Pitcher). All other players must be placed behind the five (5) foot line.

You cannot have more than two (2) players on each side of second base.

Outfielders must play behind the 60-foot line until the ball is hit.

Three (3) defensive coaches will be allowed on the field during the game. Coaches must be behind the outfield-chalked line at all times.

Defensive players cannot be moved during any one (1) inning except in case of an injury or sickness.

On an infield pop-up, if the runner runs and the ball is caught, the runners will return to their previous base and the batter/runner is out. There is no infield fly rule.

The catcher position is optional for each team.

Leaving the base too soon: Each team will get a warning and then the violators will be called out each time.

Each team will get a warning not to throw their bats. If a player throws the bat a second time, then that player is out and ejected from the game. If a player is ejected for throwing the bat or taking their helmet

off before returning to the dugout, then that spot in the batting order will be considered an out each time that positions in the line up is reached.

The same warning and penalty applies to players removing their helmets in live ball territory.

When a player is hitting off of the tee, the adult coach must go into foul ball territory.

If a batted ball hits the adult pitcher, then the play will be dead and the pitch replayed and will not count.

All coaches must be certified through the WCYAA program in order to assist in coaching during games. Only one (1) scorekeeper can be in the dugout area without being certified.

For rained out games, call Mickey Davis at 239-0652 or Cell 230-2467. Please notify the opposing team if there will be a cancellation due to weather at least one and a half (1 ½) hours prior to game time if at all possible.

There must be a minimum of five (5) players to start the game for each team.

There will be no end of season tournament!

HAVE FUN...AND DON'T FORGET THE SNACKS!