

Quinte Baseball League

Tournament Rules & Guidelines

Tournament will follow all rules covered in section Q1-1 RULES found in the OBA Playing Rules & Regulations.

2. All games shall be in accordance with OBA & the Official Rules of Baseball unless otherwise stated.
3. All teams must provide the following to the Tournament Convener:
 - Tournament Permission Form
 - Approved Team Roster
4. All players and coaches will sign in before their first game. Sign in sheets will be available at the park of your first game and must be completed prior to the start of your first game.
5. All games shall be until a winner is declared.
6. The time limit for each game is 2 hour. No new inning will start after the time limit. (except championship game)
7. Games tied after 2 hours (regardless of inning) or 7 innings, the 6 runs per inning mercy rule is removed. If an inning starts prior to the time limit, the 6 run mercy rule will be removed at the start of the next full inning.
8. If a game can't be continued due to darkness or lighting failure, the game shall be considered suspended and continued the next day.
9. Mercy rule is in effect - 10 runs after the 5th or 6th inning.
10. Home team will be decided by a flip of a coin. The team furthest from the diamond where game is being played at shall make the call.
11. Home team shall keep official score.
12. Speed-up rule allows for substitution for catcher on base with 2 outs.
13. Ejection of any player for any reason will result in a suspension of that player for the next tournament game. An ejection for fighting will result in disqualification for the remainder of the tournament.
14. Abuse of any official by players, coaches, or parents will not be tolerated. Any infraction could mean the disqualification of the team.
15. There will be no batting practice and no infield/outfield on tournament fields at any point.
16. In an effort to keep games on time, plate conference with umpires and coaches/captains should occur 5 minutes before each game.
17. The following Tie breaking rules will apply
 - I. Winner of head to head game will advance
 - II. Team with smallest runs against ratio (runs allowed/defensive innings played)
 - III. Team with the highest runs for ratio (runs scored/offensive innings played)
 - IV. Coin toss
18. All decisions by the tournament committee are final.

19. Pitching Rule As per rule P2-10 of 2007 OBA constitution (Innings vs. Pitch Count)

Any player who assumes the pitching position in an inning will be charged with an inning pitched.

Pitchers are permitted to pitch 4 innings each game, but not more than 8 in a day, or 14 innings for a tournament of 4 days or less.

If a tournament is extended past the original scheduled time, pitching records remain in tact when the tournament is commenced regardless of when it is commenced.

Note: Innings/outs pitched will apply to the calendar day in which they were pitched. The calendar day applies regardless of the tournament schedule, day on which the first round completes, or delays caused by darkness or weather (however, a pitcher continuing in a suspended game shall not be charged for the same inning twice).

e) Illegal pitching penalty: Where a player pitches more innings than is permitted, the player's team shall forfeit the game. A second violation by a manager's/head coach's team will result in his/her indefinite suspension. Any player advancing to play in a higher series shall be restricted to the pitching rule of the series in which he/she is registered.