

Brooklyn Park Invitational Rules

May 19-21, 2023

Tournament Information:

All teams must check-in online before arrival for their first tournament game. Teams must submit a roster at check-in. Teams must be prepared to submit birth certificates upon request of the opposing coach or the Tournament Director.

Each team is required to supply one new age-appropriate baseball as well as a backup for each game. The official tournament schedule will be posted on the Tourney Machine app. Immediately following each game, coaches must report the opposing team's pitch counts to the Site Director for entry on the Tourney Machine app. Each team also is responsible for tracking their own team's pitch counts. Keep this information available for review in case a question about pitch counts arise. Failure to have this information documented may result in lost pitch counts. The

Tournament Director also will maintain a copy of the pitch count/by player/per team.

Rules for the Tournament:

MYAS Gopher State Baseball League (GSBL) rules will govern, with the following exceptions:

1. Game Length

The home team will be decided by a coin flip for every game in pool play. The home team will be the higher seed in bracket play.

10U to 12U 6 innings No new inning may begin after 1 hour 45 minutes.

2-Hour Maximum Game Length (Hard Stop).

13U 7 innings No new inning may begin after 1 hour 45 minutes.

2-Hour Maximum Game Length (Hard Stop).

NOTE: No time limits will be enforced on any Semifinal, 3rd Place, or Championship Games.

Time starts at the time of the first pitch and is tracked by the umpire. In case of inclement weather, the Tournament Director may need to change time limits, shorten the game length, or change the tournament format to finish the tournament. If a game is shortened due to inclement weather, the official score of the game will be the score at the time of the last fully completed inning (minimum 3 innings). The exception to this rule is when the home team is ahead and the visiting team has already batted in the visiting team's half of the inning. In this case, the official score will be the score of the game when the game is called. Games started but not through 3 innings will be suspended and continued or rescheduled as time permits at the discretion of the tournament director. Any suspended game not completed or any pool play game not played will be scored as a 3-3 tie.

Pool play games can end in a tie. Bracket play games will go extra innings if needed. Pool play games will not go extra innings.

2. Pitching Restrictions

10AA/AAA - Maximum of 105 Pitches for Tournament/65 pitches a day

11AA/AAA - Maximum of 115 Pitches for Tournament/75 pitches a day

12AA/AAA - Maximum of 125 Pitches for Tournament/75 pitches a day

13AA/AAA - Maximum of 135 Pitches for Tournament/85 pitches a day

Pitch type restrictions for all ages will follow MYAS rules.

Pitching Note: There are NO inning limitations, ONLY total pitches per player. If a player reaches their tournament total limit in the middle of an at-bat, they may finish pitching to that batter.

After each game, coaches will report to the site director pitches per player for the opposing team.

3. Bats

All bats must meet the MYAS bat standards. If any player uses an illegal bat, that half-inning will immediately end. Any runs scored before the infraction will count. The next batter for that team will be the batter next in the lineup after the player who used the illegal bat. (NOTE: Both USSSA and USA-approved bats are allowed.)

4. Base Running

10AA/AAA: A runner may lead off or steal after the ball crosses the plate. Violation will result in the runner being called out.

11AA/AAA: A runner may lead off or steal after the ball leaves the pitcher's hand. Violation will result in the runner being called out.

10AA/AAA and 11AA/AAA: A batter may not attempt to advance to first base on a dropped third strike. Runners on base may advance at their own risk.

10AA/AAA and 11AA/AAA: Runners may attempt to score from 3rd base on a passed ball, wild pitch, or throwback to the pitcher.

10AA/AAA and 11AA/AAA: Runners may not advance to 2nd after a walk (passed ball or not), runner may advance after the 1st pitch to the next batter.

12AA/AAA and 13AA/AAA: No base running restrictions.

5. Courtesy Runners

A courtesy runner (the last runner to be put out) will be allowed only for the catcher at any time to speed up the game. Exception: courtesy runners for an injured player will be the player making the most recent out.

6. Run Rules

All forfeits will be scored 6-0 at 10U-12U and 7-0 at 13U.

10-12U: The game will end if the home team is at least 10 runs ahead after 3 1/2 innings or visiting team is ahead by at least 10 runs after 4 innings.

13U: The game will end if the home team is at least 10 runs ahead after 4 1/2 innings or visiting team is ahead by at least 10 runs after 5 innings.

All Ages: The game will end if the home team is at least 15 runs ahead after 2 1/2 innings or visiting team is ahead by at least 15 runs after 3 innings.

7. Re-Entry Rules

All teams must bat the entire lineup using continuous batting with free substitution on defense. Any pitcher may re-enter the pitching position ONCE during the game.

8. Tie-Breaking Procedures

1. Best Record (Each pool winner receives a higher seed than a team that did not win its pool)
2. Head-to-Head Play
3. Total Run Differential in Pool Play (Maximum plus or minus 10 runs per game)
4. Most Runs Scored in Pool Play
5. Least Runs Allowed in Pool Play
6. Coin Flip

For a 3 (or more)-way tie, the first step is to break the 3 (or more)-way tie by these rules and then start all over with the remaining teams.

9. Determining Seeding for Games

Bracket play seeding will be determined as stated in Paragraph 8 above.

10. Player and Coach Conduct and Protests

Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Any player, coach, or spectator ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct will not be allowed at any tournament fields or parks for the remainder of the tournament. If a player or spectator is ejected from a game for unsportsmanlike conduct, the head coach shall also be ejected for the remainder of that game only. Umpire's decision is final in all cases.

All protests must be filed with the site director and umpire and settled within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the game under protest. Protests for judgment calls are not allowed. Protests must be made verbally with the umpire by the offended team at the time of the play and before the next pitch. A fee of \$100.00 cash (refunded if upheld) must accompany the protest. All decisions are final.

11. Please no batting practice on infield or game fields. No soft toss against any fences. No pregame infield practice. Batting cages are 20 min use time to allow ALL teams to have batting practice.

12. Tournament Format Change Due to Weather

The Brooklyn Park Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter, change or abbreviate the games and tournament format to complete the tournament.

13. Refund Policy

If the tournament is canceled due to inclement weather, refunds will be issued as follows:

- 0 games started: \$250 refund
- 1 game started: \$150 refund
- 2 games started: No refund