

2026 Berlin Coach Pitch Rec League Rules

Game Rules:

- No run rule. 6 innings or 1 hr time limit. No new inning will start after 45 minutes.
- Maximum of six runs per inning (for each individual team).
- Games can end in a tie. There are no extra innings.
- Teams must bat their entire roster in the batting order
- Players should not play same defensive positions more than once in a game.

Defensive Rules:

- Teams will play 10 in the field , 4 players must be in the outfield grass
- Catcher must wear face mask and chest protector- knee pads are optional
- A coach may stand behind catcher to help retrieve balls and return to the pitcher.
- Infield fly rule and dropped third strike will not be in effect.
- The coaches are allowed out on the field when their team is playing "defense" in order to help out - reminding the defenders of basics like where to stand and which base to throw to. This coach shall not interfere or come in contact in any way with a player or the ball.

Pitching Rules:

- Coaches will pitch
- The pitching coach cannot field the ball - please avoid interfering with play.
- A batter will receive a maximum of 6 pitches. A batter will hit off a tee after 3 swinging strikes or six pitches. No exceptions.
- If the 6th, 7th, and any subsequent pitch is fouled, the batter gets an additional pitch.
- There will be no walks and no hit by pitch.
- If a pitching coach hits the batter with a pitch, it is a "no-pitch".
- A batted ball that hits the pitching coach will be considered live and in play.

Baserunning Rules:

- Stealing is not allowed.
- Runners cannot leave the base until the ball crosses home plate. A runner leaving early will be called out.
- A runner who misses a base will be called out.

- Runners can only advance on hit balls. Runners can continue to advance after a hit only until the ball is controlled by any defensive infielder. Once the infielder has possession and control of the ball, runners not to the half-way mark must return to the previous base, and runners at the half-way mark or farther will finish their advance to that one base.

- The catcher will require a courtesy runner if there are two outs to keep the game moving. Courtesy runner is the player who made the last out.

Batting Rules:

- No bunting.

- No on deck batter