



HOAT Youth Tournaments (ONE DAY EVENTS) - Rules & Regulations

**** Very IMPORTANT – NO METAL CLEATS ON ANY OF THE TURF FIELDS – NO Seeds or Gum. Violations can be assessed with a Team Fine of up to \$250. Please monitor and announce this to your team and help us with leaving the dugout area cleaner than you find it**

Events will be monitored by the HOAT Rules and Regulations.

1 – Pitching Regulations. We do NOT adhere to or monitor any pitch count regulations (each coach or team is in charge of their own pitch counts) but we do suggest Pitch Smart for all teams.

2 - You may bat “your roster” – in all Youth events.

3 – Home Team for pool games and consolation games will be determined by Coin Flip. Bracket Play - home team will be the highest seed for that game on the bracket.

4 – All pool games, bracket games will consist of 5 innings (for 9u-12u), 6 Innings (for 13u), with a time limit of 1 Hour & 20 Minutes (9u-12u), and a time limit of 1 Hour & 30 Minutes (13u). No new inning will occur after this time limit. See below for ties/extra innings.

5 – All ejections will result in that game + 1 penalty for the first offense. The game when the ejection occurred + the next game. If there is not another Coach in the dugout at the time of an ejection, the game is a forfeit. A 2nd ejection is an Event/Park dismissal for the remainder of the Event. Please model professional coaching conduct with the umpires in leading your players here. We hope to not have a single ejection during the event. These penalties are reviewable by the Event Committee – John Hartley, Tyler Hartley, Trey McDaniel and Kaden Kralicek.

6 – Any Parent/Fan ejection could range from a one plus one game dismissal to dismissal for the remainder of the Event pending review by the Event Committee.

7 - Run rules are 10 after 3 and 8 after 4 (9u-12u) and 15 after 3, 12 after 4, and 8 after 5 (13u).

8. All games will be played with a 6 run cap per half inning.

9 – Any weather/in-game delays that have not reached the 3.5/4 inning conclusion are suspended games. However, this rule is at the discretion of the Event Committee and can be overruled.

10 - Bat Regulations: USSSA or USA bats are permitted.

11 – Please text your completed score of each game to Tyler (417-838-9193) or Trey (417-988-1309).

POOL PLAY TIE BREAKERS:

TWO WAY TIE: Head to Head (Or Run Diff, Runs Allowed, Runs Scored - in that order - if head to head doesn't apply)

THREE WAY TIE: Run Diff, Runs Allowed, Runs Scored, then Coin Toss - in that order)

– For pool play, TIES CAN OCCUR after the time limit has been reached. For BRACKET PLAY a tie game (either after 5 or 6 or the time limit) shall be finalized using the MLB modified extra inning rule. The last batter from the previous inning begins on 2nd base with zero outs to start each half inning.

– All games will be played by MLB rules with AABC modifications. NCAA slide rule – direct to base or evade. Courtesy runner for the Catcher may be used with the last recorded out.