



Noblesville Youth Baseball

2nd Grade Division

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NO GUM OR SUNFLOWER SEEDS ARE ALLOWED AT NYB DUE TO THE ALL TURF INFIELDS. ANYONE FOUND VIOLATING THIS RULE CAN BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE FACILITY!

COACHES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING PLAYERS ARE FOLLOWING THIS RULE. IF PLAYERS ARE FOUND WITH GUM OR SEEDS, THE HEAD COACH WILL BE EJECTED FROM THE GAME. FUTURE VIOLATIONS CAN INCLUDE BANNING FROM NYB.

Game Rules:

1. **Second Grade Division** does keep score. Coaches must submit their scores to the league commissioner after the game.
2. Games will consist of 6 innings or a time limit. No new inning will start after 90 minutes. Any new inning started is played to completion. If the home team has the lead when the time limited is reached and the home team is batting, the game is over. If the home team has the lead when the time limit is reached and the visiting team is batting, the visiting team will finish their at bat.
3. Complete game: A complete game will consist of six (6) innings except in the case of inclement weather or reaching the time limit. In the event of inclement weather, three (3) innings (2 ½ if home team is ahead) will be considered a complete game. The league officials will have the final determination when and whether a new inning will begin. The Home Scorebook will serve as the official book of record. If a game is suspended in the middle of an inning due to weather or darkness and has gone at least 3 innings, then the final result of that game will revert back to the previous full inning played.
4. A new inning begins immediately after the 3rd out in the bottom half of the previous inning.
5. Games ending in a tie after 6 innings, each team will start the next inning with one (1) out and a runner on 2nd base. The runner on 2nd base will be last batted out made in the previous inning.
6. The maximum number of runs per inning for any one team is 6; except for the sixth or tie breaker inning. Beginning in the 6th inning, and beyond, there is no run limitation per inning.
7. There are 3 outs per team per inning.
8. A Run Rule will apply: 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.



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9. When an infielder has control of the ball on the turf and in front of the lead runner, the player should hold the ball up and ask for “time-out”, play is then dead. If other runners are beyond half way to the next base, they can advance. If they are not half way to next base, they must go back to the base last touched.
10. Games will be played on 60’ base paths (1st Peg). **The field crew will set bases but coaches should verify the correct distance is used before the game starts.** (1st Peg)
11. There are no assigned umpires for these games. The defensive coaches or base coaches closest to each base should make the call. Specifically, the 1st and 3rd base coaches call plays at their respective base. The defensive fielding coach will call plays at 2nd base and the fielding coach behind the plate will call plays at “home”.
12. The baseball used will be a regulation baseball.
13. In the interest of moving a game along, coaches are ENCOURAGED to use a courtesy runner for the catcher with two (2) outs when they are catching the next inning. Catcher must catch the entire next inning. Courtesy runner must be the last batted out. If the player who is courtesy ran for fails to catch the next inning, the game is forfeited.
14. No metal spikes may be worn.
15. The winning team is responsible for reporting the score of the game to NYB.

Pitching Rules:

1. Coaches will pitch over-hand, in a natural pitching motion to their own players. If a batted ball hits the pitcher-coach, the ball is a “dead” ball. It does not count against the batter.
2. Pitcher shall be no closer than 35 feet from the batter.
3. Seven pitches are the maximum number of pitches a batter is allowed. If a batter does not swing or put the ball in play on the seventh pitch, they are out. If the seventh pitch is fouled off, the batter gets an additional pitch.



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Hitting Rules:

1. All players present will bat.
2. No walks, stolen bases or lead offs allowed. Runner can't leave the base until the ball is hit. If the runner leaves prior to the ball being hit a team warning is issued. If it is called again after the warning the runner will be called out.
3. Bunting is not allowed.
4. The batter is out after 3 strikes.
5. There are no automatic outs. If a player needs to leave, just skip over that spot in the batting order.
6. No bat restrictions
7. A runner is out when the runner does not attempt to avoid contact with a fielder that is making the play at the base. Headfirst slides are only permitted when retreating to a base. If a player headfirst slides attempting to advance into a base, they are out.

Fielding Rules:

1. Each team will field 10 defensive players: 1 pitcher's helper, 1 catcher, 4 infielders, and 4
2. outfielders positioned in the outfield grass. No outfielder is to be positioned near or behind 2nd base.
3. No outfielder can make an unassisted infield out at a base (excluding caught fly balls and line drives). The intent is to teach players in the infield to cover their respective base and the outfielder to make an appropriate throw to the base.
4. The pitcher's helper will be even with the pitching rubber on the mound. The pitcher's helper will wear a batting helmet with face mask. No Exceptions! Coaches allowing pitcher's helpers without helmets will forfeit their position.
5. Players may field any position as assigned by the coaches. Coaches are to rotate players defensively and give all players opportunities. No more than **2 innings** at one position per game. All players must play a minimum of two (2) innings in the infield per game. All players must be rotated in and out of the game. No player should sit out 2 innings before every player has sat out 1 inning. This applies to the post-season tournament as well.
6. The "Infield fly rule" does not apply.
7. Two defensive coaches are allowed in the field of play to provide instructions to their team – positioned in the outfield grass.



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General:

1. **The HOME team is assigned to the 3rd base dugout for all games. Home/Away is predetermined in Tourney Machine with the away team listed on the top and home team listed on the bottom.**
2. It is important that the coaches teach the proper fundamentals, skills, positions, and attitudes on how the game should be played. These players are our future – give them the opportunity to learn and have fun!

For coaches, there are many fun and effective drills listed on our website. Go to www.noblesvillebaseball.org, click on Leagues > Coaching > Drills

3. If you have a complaint or concern, contact your league commissioner. If you are not satisfied with the decision/result, a written request concerning the situation must be submitted to the Board of Directors for review.
4. All rules questions/complaints should be directed to the League Commissioner. If necessary, the Commissioner will escalate to the Rules Committee Chairperson. These individuals can be found on the NYB Website. If necessary, the Rules Committee will escalate to the Program Director, Executive Director or Board of Directors.