

# Fall Rec 1st and 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.

#### **Fall Rec Tournament Format:**

Game Length: 1 hour, 30 minutes (HARD STOP)

## **Game Rules:**

- 1. **First/Second Grade Division** does keep score but standings will NOT be kept. End of season tournament will be a blind draw.
- 2. Games will consist of 6 innings or 90 minute time limit. No new inning will start after 75 minutes.

#### TOURNAMENT ADDENDUM:

During the Fall Rec Tournament, there is no hard stop. All games must be played until a winner is determined.

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- 3. A new inning starts immediately after the 3rd out in bottom half of the previous inning.
- 4. Tie Breaker: Games ending in a tie after 6 innings can play a tie breaker inning if the time limit has not been exhausted. Each team will start the inning with one out and a runner on 2nd base who was the last out made in the previous inning.
- 5. Run Limit: A 6 run rule limit per inning will apply, except for the 6th or tie breaker inning. Beginning in the 6th inning, and beyond, there is no run limitation per inning. A Run Rule will apply: 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 innings.
- 6. There are three outs per team per inning.
- 7. When an infielder has control of the ball on or inside the infield dirt and in <u>front of the lead</u> 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.

- 9. Runners may advance only one base on overthrows where the ball is thrown into foul territory.
- 10. 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".
- 11. The baseball used will be a regulation baseball.

## **Pitching Rules:**

- 1. Coaches will pitch <u>over-hand</u> 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 20 feet from the batter.
- 3. Seven pitches are the maximum number of pitches a batter is allowed. If a batter does not swing on the seventh pitch, they are out. If the seventh pitch is fouled off, the batter gets an additional pitch.

#### **Hitting Rules:**

- 1. All players present will bat.
- No walks, stolen bases or lead offs allowed. Runner can't leave the base until the ball is hit.
- 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. The maximum bat size is a 2 5/8 inch barrel.
- 7. Base runners can leave the base after the ball is hit.
- 8. A runner is out when the runner does not slide or 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 outfielders positioned in the outfield grass. No outfielder is to be positioned near or behind 2nd base.
- 2. 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.
- 3. The pitcher's helper will be no closer to the batter than the pitcher and will wear a batting helmet with **face mask**. No Exceptions! Coaches allowing pitcher's helpers without helmets will forfeit their position.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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.

### General:

- 1. 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
- 2. 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.



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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.