

13U Battle at the Beach Tournament Rules

Bat Rules: Wood Bat And Wood Composite Bats Only

Home Team: The Home team is determined by a coin flip prior to each game. The team traveling from the furthest distance makes the call.

Game Time Limits and Extra Inning Rules: 2 hours – No inning can start after the 2 hour mark in Pool Play. The home team may finish an inning which started prior to the 2 hour mark if losing. Pool games can end in a tie. Should a game be tied and not yet reached the 2 hour mark, play will continue until a winner is determined and/or the 2 hour time limit is up. Semi final and championship games do NOT have time limit rules. Semi final and championship games do NOT have time limits but will have speed up rules after 7 innings of play should the score be tied.

Semi Final and Championship Game Speed Up Rules: Should the semi final and/or championship game be tied after 7 innings, we will move to a speed up rule. The batting team will load the bases with the last 3 batters due up that inning. For example, if batter 1 is leading off, team would place the #7 hitter on 3rd base, 8th hitter on 2nd base and 9th hitter on 1st base.

Mercy Rules: 15 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 innings and 8 after 5 innings.

General Baseball Rules: Federation Baseball Rules

Intentional Walk: Coach just needs to tell the umpire and the batter will be awarded 1st base without pitches being thrown.

Pitching Rules: None but be smart with pitch counts.

Courtesy Runners: Teams can use a courtesy runner for the pitcher or catcher at any time. The courtesy runner must be the last batted out or any available substitute.

Batting Order and Rules: The batting order must consist of at least 9 players. Teams can use an EH and a DH in the same line up. Teams also have the option of using as many EH's as they want. When you move the EH around in the field you do not have to tell the other team what position he is playing each inning. You only have to notify the opposing team if the line up changes. If a player is injured while using a continuous batting lineup (hitting all available players) and that player's lineup spot in the batting order comes up, an out is recorded and they can continue with the order. A team must start with 9 players but can finish with 8 players ONLY if there are no substitutes able to play (injuries).

Substitutions and Re-Entry: A player can only re-enter for the same player that went in for him and then that player he goes back in for is done for the game. You cannot re-enter for another player. You can NEVER hit in 2 different spots in the line-up during a game. Re-entry for the pitcher, in the event a pitcher is substituted for and another pitcher enters the line-up and throws a pitch, the original pitcher substituted for CANNOT pitch again that game.

Playoff Bracket: We have just 1 pool of 10 teams. Each team will play 3 pool games then the top 4 teams will make single elimination. Seeds 5-10 will play a consolation game. The tie breaker to decide seedings goes by the following:

- Win %
- Head to Head (if just 2 teams or tied. If 3 or more teams are tied, we will skip this tie breaker and move to the next one)
- Runs Against
- Run Differential (Max of 10 runs per game)
- Runs Scored
- Runs against in 2nd pool game.

Tournament Safety Rules

- If any player/coach is presenting symptoms, has a fever or is known to have contact with any person who has tested positive for Covid-19 in the past 14 days he/she will not attend games.

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- All coaches and players when social distancing is not achievable will wear a face mask. Dugouts must be monitored if they are closed or do not allow for the 6 foot distancing we will not use them. Players in this instance will be outside the fence and suggest that each player bring their own chair to sit in.
- The umpire will call balls and strikes from either behind the mound OR from behind the plate. Some umpire associations/unions are requiring their umpires to be behind the mound to prevent exposure so we cannot force them behind the plate. So there may be games with an umpire behind the plate and some with umpires behind the mound. Each game will have a minimum of 2 umpires unless there is some type of emergency.

- Contact Log - A log of your team's players who attends these games MUST be kept by team coaches. This log should include the player full name and a good cell phone # to reach them. If they are under the age of 18 years old, you will need to get the full name of at least 1 guardian and their contact number. Stadium attendance will not be tracked as they are not on the playing surface.

Fields (All field addresses are on Tourney Machine)

Wainwright Sports Complex Field 2

This location has batting cages and is a large multi field complex. Field 2 is just to the left of the building and is clearly marked.

St. Louis Field 2

This location has batting cages. Field 2 is nearest the football field.

Westbrook High School

This location has 1 batting cage behind the right field fence near the softball field. There are porta toilets at this facility.

The Ballpark

This location has 2 batting cages located under the 1st base stadium and under the 3rd base stadium. There are bathrooms in a building behind the stadium for use. Concessions will be OPEN at this location.

Southern Maine Community College (SMCC)

This location does NOT have batting cages. There will be either porta-toilets or access to toilets in the nearest building.

