

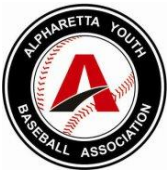


# Alpharetta Youth Baseball Association

## 11/12 Prospect Select League

### Playing Rules

- A. All recreation league play shall be governed by the current Official Major League Baseball Rules, modified by the current Dizzy Dean Official Rules Book, modified by North Fulton Select Baseball Rules, modified by the current Alpharetta Youth Baseball Association.
- B. An official game for 6 inning games is defined as 4 complete innings (or 3-1/2 innings if home team is ahead). Regular season games may end in a tie.
- C. Select (11/12) One Hour Forty-Five Minutes
- D. The head coach must attend the plate meeting at the beginning of the game. The official start time will be declared at the end of this plate meeting.
- E. Note: A new inning begins at the instant that the last out is made in the previous inning.
- F. Run Limits – An game is over after the following:
- G. Select (11/12) 15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings
- H. Bats must have a certified USSSA 1.15 BPF Stamp and diameters up to 2 & 3/4 inches are legal.
- I. No player shall be omitted from the defensive lineup in any two consecutive innings. This includes drafted up players.
- J. Substitute players for regular season rec games must be registered rec players from the current season from the same age group.
- K. Substitute player rules for any tournament game are same as above, except teams are restricted to just 1 substitute player and may only get 1 substitute player when their team has only 7 players available. Meaning that in a tournament game if you need a substitute player you can have only 8 players total.
- L. Substitute players must play outfield and bat last.
- M. You are not allowed to have more than 2 substitute players in a regular season game and only 1 substitute player in a tournament game (see section F).
- N. A player who starts an inning in the defensive lineup shall complete the inning in the defensive lineup, unless prevented from continuing by injury or illness. Exception: Pitchers, in leagues employing player pitchers, may be removed from the game after completing pitching to one batter.
- O. Stealing home on the pitch is not allowed.
- P. Stealing home on passed balls or on the catcher's throw back to the pitcher or any other player allowed.
- Q. Suicide squeezes are not allowed. Safety squeezes are allowed. These are determined by the plate umpire, who may have to appeal to the field umpire as to if the runner ran early. If it is determined by the umpire that the intent was a suicide squeeze, the runner will be called out.
- R. Swing bunts or fake bunt swings are not allowed. A batter may not show bunt and then pull the bat back and take a full swing. If the umpire determines that the batter did any of these, the batter will be called out. The batter may show bunt and then pull the bat back, but he may not swing.
- S. Head first slide into home plate is an illegal slide. The base runner is called out.
- T. Going over the top of the fielder (in possession of the ball) who is not lying on the ground, such as hurdling, jumping feet first, and diving is dangerous and, therefore, is illegal. The act of obstruction does not negate the



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runner's responsibility to avoid a fielder legally. The runner must slide or avoid the player, legally. Jumping over is not a legal slide. The runner will be called out and the team receives a team warning. On the second team violation, the player is ejected.

U. Drop third strike is in play.

V. Pitching Rules:

Refer to North Fulton Select Baseball Rules for Pitching Rules and Limits

W. Warnings for balks will be given the first 2 weeks of the season. After that point, balks will be called without warning.

X. Intentional walks may be requested by the pitcher or manager at any point in an at bat and not require a thrown pitch. Any pitch thrown prior to the request will count towards pitch count.

Y. VIOLATING THE PITCHING RULES WILL LEAD TO SUSPENSION OF THE HEAD COACH.

Z. Roswell weather update: On weekdays Roswell makes a decision by 3:00 PM and Saturdays by 8:00 AM. Weather updates are made online at [www.roswellgov.com/weatherhotline](http://www.roswellgov.com/weatherhotline) and 770-641-3836.

## **Conduct and Sportsmanship**

It is the Head Coach's responsibility to manage and control their teams and to lead by example.

- Inappropriate, obscene, or abusive language or behavior may result in a player, coach, parent, or spectator being ejected from the game/park. This includes arguing with umpires and un-sportsman like conduct.
- All umpires and AYBA board members have the authority to eject anyone violating the conduct rules.
- Any player, coach, parent, or spectator ejected from a game must leave the field immediately and are not allowed to stay near the field or sit in the stands, but are allowed to wait in the parking lot if needed.
  - First ejection – Leave game immediately and suspended from attending or participating in the next scheduled game.
  - Second ejection – Same as above, but with 2 game suspension
  - Third ejection – Suspended for rest of season including tournament.
- Physical contact or violence involving a player, coach, or parent will result in automatic ejection from the game, a one game automatic suspension, and possible suspension from the league.
- If a player demonstrates actions which are detrimental and or abusive to the team, the player will be suspended from the team immediately and will not participate in any games or practices until the suspension is reviewed by AYBA Commissioner.

AYBA may revise/alter rules at any time during a season if needed to enhance the program