



Alpharetta Youth Baseball Association

16/19 Senior League

Playing Rules

- High school baseball rules with the following exceptions/modifications:
- Courtesy runner (last batted out) for the catcher and pitcher regardless of number of outs.
- Game time will be 7 innings or one hour fifty minutes. No inning will start after one hour and fifty minutes. An inning is regarded as starting upon the 3rd out of the prior inning.
- Continuous batting, all players bat, no DH or EH allowed.
- No player shall be omitted from the defensive lineup in any two consecutive innings. This includes substitute players.
- Substitute players for regular season rec games must be registered rec players from the current season from the same age group.
- Substitute players must play outfield and bat last.
- 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
- 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.
- Teams are allowed 1 assistant coach.
- Teams can lock a maximum of 5 players, not including coach's son(s)
- No more than two 19 year old players may be locked on a single team
- League will draft pitchers before drafting any position players. Pitchers will be placed in an "A" bucket, a "B" bucket or a "C" bucket based on skill. Each team will be allowed to draft from any pitching bucket during the pitching draft. After each team has had 3 pitching selections, we will move to the open draft. The only players placed in rounds for the open draft will be frozen players. Coaches may draft anyone on the open draft board or remaining pitchers. Catchers will not be drafted separately, but we will attempt to identify the catchers.
- Any team which has 2 or more frozen players in the "A" pitcher bucket will draft last in the first and second round of the open draft.
- Frozen players not at the tryouts/evaluations may be placed in the "A" pitcher bucket for draft purposes. The commissioner / president, provided he is not coaching in this age group or has a child playing in this age group, has the right to adjust enforcement of this rule for the betterment of the game or for equitable teams. If the commissioner / president is coaching in this age group or has a child playing in this age group, the VP of recreation baseball will hear appeals.
- Frozen players who are at the tryouts/evaluations will be placed in rounds, either pitcher rounds or general draft rounds, based on skill and as agreed to by a majority of head coaches present at the draft. The objective is appropriately placed those frozen player to make it equitable for all.

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- Post Draft additions. All players who enter the league after the draft is complete will go into a blind draw with those teams short players with regard to other teams, participating in the draw. If all teams have an equal number of players then all teams are eligible.
- Players must avoid making contact in close plays at the bases (Please place a priority on sliding).
- If it is a “wood bat” season only wood bats may be used.
- Regular season games may end in a tie.
- For tournament play, ties will be broken as follows:
 - The visiting team will bat with no outs and a runner starting the inning on second base. The visiting team will play to three outs.
 - The home team will then be provided their at bat starting the ½ inning with no outs and a runner on second base.
 - This will continue until one team has won.
- Mercy Rule: 15 runs after 3 and 10 runs after 5
- When a pitcher is turned in on a lineup card he is the pitcher of record and must face a batter to completion before he can be substituted for. Any player who toes the rubber and takes a warm up pitch to begin an inning will be the pitcher of record for that inning and must face a batter to completion before he can be substituted for.

Pitching Rules:

Calendar Day is from Midnight (12:00 AM) to 11:59 PM. Example: 16 year old throws 71 pitches on Monday, that pitcher cannot pitch again until Thursday.

Ages 14 and 15	Ages 16 - 19
51 pitches – 1 day rest	51 pitches – 1 day rest
61 pitches – 2 days rest	71 pitches – 2 days rest
71 pitches – 3 days rest	81 pitches – 3 days rest
80 pitch max in one day	90 pitch max in one day

- A pitcher that reaches his max pitches allowed for the day may continue to pitch to the current batter until he is put out or reaches base.
- A pitcher shall not be permitted to pitch to a NEW batter once their max pitches per day have been met.
- Intentional walks are allowed, the pitcher will be required to throw the 4 pitches and the ball is in play.
- Any pitcher playing in the same game may return to the mound one time.
- All suspended / makeup games will adhere to the regular season pitch count rules.

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- A pitcher pitching in a suspended / makeup game must follow pitch count rules regardless of when the game is made up.
- Coaches of the same game should verify pitch counts after the game. Then one coach will need to email the
- Official game score and pitchers of record and pitch counts to the League Rep ensuring the coach for the
- Any pitcher playing in the same game may return to the mound one time.
- HS rules allow for 3 trips to the mound per game. Upon the 4th trip to the mound and upon each mound visit thereafter, the pitcher must be removed.

Conduct and Sportsmanship

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

- At the umpire's discretion, 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 unsportsman like conduct such as throwing bats, helmets, etc. on or off the field.
- 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 with no refund.
- AYBA may revise/alter rules at any time during a season if needed to enhance the program.

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