



## Sandwich Baseball Tournament 14U Rules

### **General Rules and Field Dimensions**

- 1 – Base Length: 80 feet
- 2 – Pitching rubber: 54 feet
- 3 – Game length: Six Innings for pool play games, seven innings for bracket games, no new inning can start after one hour and 45 minutes (excludes championship)
- 4 – If a game is cancelled due to weather or darkness, it shall be considered a complete game after three innings (2-1/2 innings if the home team is ahead)
- 5 – Large-Lead Rule: 10 runs after five innings (or 4-1/2 innings if the home team is leading)
- 6 - Player age as of May 1
- 7 – All pool-play games will start with a coin flip to determine home team with the coach from the team who travels farthest making the call.
- 8 – The game clock will start when the home team takes the field for inning one
- 9 – A minimum of eight players per team are required to begin a game.
- 10 – Pool play games may end in a tie

### **A – Batting**

- 1) Every player shall bat. Each team will use a complete batting order
- 2) A player who arrives after the game begins must bat at the bottom of the batting order
- 3) A hit ball which goes under or bounces over the outfield fence shall be declared a ground-rule double.
- 4) Bunting is allowed, but the batter may not pull back and swing after showing bunt. If the batter swings after showing bunt, that batter will be ruled out
- 5) Drop third strike rule is in effect
- 6) All bats must conform to the following rules. All bats must be:
  - USSSA 1.15 BPF stamped, 2 3/4" diameter or less, -5 (drop) minimum
  - USA Baseball (no weight or barrel restrictions)
  - BBCOR
  - Wood

- No bat may be longer than 36"

### **B - Pitching**

- 1) Pitchers shall be limited to three consecutive innings per game, ten innings total in the tournament. One pitch in an inning constitutes a full inning pitched.
- 2) Pitchers may pitch on consecutive days.
- 3) Balks will be called.
- 4) A pitcher must be removed after hitting two batters in one inning or three batters in a game.
- 5) The manager/head coach may make one visit to the mound per pitcher per inning. On the second visit, the pitcher must be removed. Visits to the mound due to injury do not count toward the two-visit maximum.
- 6) Intentional walks are not permitted.
- 7) Pitch-outs are allowed, but the catcher can not leave the catchers box until the ball is released by the pitcher

### **C - Base Running**

- 1) Lead-offs are allowed.
- 2) There is a mandatory slide rule. All players must slide to avoid contact.
- 3) The Infield Fly Rule is in effect.