

QUINCY PARK DISTRICT BASEBALL

Park League Rules

Stealing/Lead Offs

- 9 & 10 – No lead-offs are allowed. Players can steal once the ball crosses home plate. No stealing of home plate is allowed.
- 11 & 12 – Stealing & lead-offs are allowed. Home plate is open to stealing.

Dropped Third Strike

- 9 & 10 – Batter is out on dropped third strike.
- 11 & 12– Batter can advance on dropped third strike if less than two outs and first base is not occupied.

Bat Size

- Refer to the USA Bat Standards for legal bats.

Distance

- 9 & 10- 46 feet mound & 60 Feet Bases
- 11 & 12- 48 feet mound & 70 Feet Bases

Runs per inning

- 9 & 10- There is a maximum of 5 runs per inning. This applies to every inning, including the home team's last at bat.
- 11 & 12- There is no run rule per inning.

Infield Fly Rule

- 9 & 10- There is no infield fly rule.
- 11 & 12 -Infield fly rule is enforced.

Balks

- 9 & 10-Pitcher will get 2 warnings before a balk is issued. Umpire will explain to pitcher what they are doing wrong after each warning.
- 11 & 12-Pitcher will get 1 warning before a balk is issued.

All Leagues

- No new inning will start after 1 hour 20 minutes. Games will not exceed 6 innings, unless tied after 6 and not having met the 1 hour 20 minute limit. Games can end in a tie. If the home team is losing in the last inning and the time limit is up, we will finish the inning. If the home team is winning and up to bat when the time limit is up, the game is over.
- In all divisions, the mercy rule will be in effect, 10 runs after 3 ½ if the home team is winning, 4 innings if the away team is winning, or 15 runs after 2 ½ if the home team is winning, or 3 innings if the away team is winning.

- No on deck batter allowed anywhere (on or off the field). The leadoff batter in each half-inning will be permitted to warm up outside the dugout, on the field between half innings.
- Catcher must have a throat guard attached to his mask and wear a protective cup
- Batting order will include all players in your line up (bat everybody).
- Coaches must fill out a lineup card before the game. Include full name, number and who is starting pitcher. Turn in your lineup card to scorekeeper before the start of the game.
- Report pitching changes to umpire and scorekeeper.
- On defense each player must play at least 3 consecutive outs. We expect each player to play more than that. This is the minimum required. Free substitution on defense.
- There is not a “must slide” rule. However, runners are required to avoid contact with the defensive player. Any attempt to cause a collision will result in the runner being out and possible ejection from the game.
- Batters may not indicate a “fake bunt” and then pull back and swing. This will result in an automatic out.
- Umpires will have full authority during all games. While you may not agree with every call they make, unless you would like to work some games behind the plate, please show them the respect that they deserve. Remember, this is still a kid’s game and as a coach your responsibility in this league is to teach your players character, respect, and sportsmanship. Any disputes that might come up during a game should be handled in a calm and respectful manner. Don’t forget that there are kids learning from your example. All issues should be directed to the Quincy Park District staff.
- Any coach or player ejected from a game, for any reason, is automatically suspended for the team’s next game.
- **NO SUNFLOWER SEEDS ARE ALLOWED IN THE DUGOUTS OR ON THE FIELD AT ANY TIME.**
- **NO METAL SPIKES ARE ALLOWED.**
- **ALL TEAMS MUST WEAR PARK DISTRICT ASSIGNED SHIRTS.**

Regular Season Pitching Rules – Baseball

- (a) Any players on a regular season team may pitch. (**NOTE:** There is no limit to the number of pitchers a team may use in a game.)
- (b) A pitcher once removed from the mound cannot return as a pitcher.
- (c) The manager must remove the pitcher when said pitcher reaches the limit for his/her age group as noted below, but the pitcher may remain in the game at another position:
League Age:
11-12 – 85 pitches per day
9-10 – 75 pitches per day

Exception: If a pitcher reaches the limit imposed in Regulation VI (c) for his/her league age while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until any of the following conditions occur: 1. that batter reaches base; 2. That batter is put out; 3. The third out is made to complete the half-inning. **Note 1: A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day. Note 2: Any player who has played the position of catcher in four or more innings in a game is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.**

- (d) Pitchers league age 12 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
- If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 51-65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 36-50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 21-35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - If a player pitches 1-20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.