

FYAA 2011 Minor League Rules

Minor League Baseball will conduct game play according to the Babe Ruth "Cal Ripken Division" rules (including pitching rules) as described in the Babe Ruth Rule Book with the exception of the following amended rules:

- (1) Any pitcher, after being removed from the pitchers position at anytime during the game, can not re-enter the game as a pitcher.
- (2) No one pitcher can pitch more than 7 innings in a single week. There is a -5 rule for innings pitched in consecutive games, not to exceed 7 innings per week. No pitcher can pitch more than 3 innings per game. The week shall run from Sunday through Saturday. One pitch constitutes one inning.
- (3) There is no infield fly rule.
- (4) There will be a maximum of 5 runs per team per inning except for the 6th inning and every inning thereafter for which the 9th batter limit rule applies. After the 5th inning each half of the proceeding innings is over either after 3 outs, 9 batters have completed an at bat with less than 3 outs or the home team scores the go ahead run to win in the last half of the inning.
- (5) For the first two weeks of regular season games (4 games) there will be no advancement from third to home on a steal or pitched pass ball by the catcher. After the 4th season game the rule will be that any team may only advance or attempt an advance from 3rd to home (2) times per inning on a steal or pitched pass ball by the catcher. Inter-town games count toward the 5th game. Balls overthrown to the pitcher going pass the rubber does not count or on a first and third situation with runner from first stealing second.
- (6) In the umpires judgment, if a runner from third to home stops advancing to home plate while the pitcher is in control of the ball he must go back to third and remain there until the next pitch is thrown unless the pitcher proceeds to make a play on the runner or to make a play somewhere else in the field.
- (7) All games will begin at 5:30pm and no later than 5:45pm on scheduled days excluding Saturday makeup games. Failure to field a team with 8 players at this time will result in a forfeit. A team may play with 8 players.
- (8) A batter cannot advance to first on a dropped third strike.
- (9) A runner cannot leave the base until the ball crosses the plate or hits the catcher's glove.
- (10) All make up games must be played no later than the Saturday following the postponed game.
- (11) Playoff Pitching:
 - a. First two games -5 innings per player.
 - b. No more than 3 innings in one game can be pitched by any one pitcher.
 - c. A single pitch to a batter constitutes an inning.
 - d. Innings cannot be accumulated, innings not used in games 1 and 2 are not carried over to games 3 or 4.
 - e. Games 3-4 are the same -5 innings per player and no more than 3 innings can be pitched by one pitcher in any one game.