



Five Cities Youth Baseball

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2018 FCYB Local Rules

T-Ball 4/5 Division

1. T-Ball is about having fun and learning the basics of baseball.
2. T-Ball age limit is 4-6 years old.
3. T-Ball 4/5 Division is for 1st year player or players needing to relearn basic fundamentals.
4. **No score and standings are kept.**
5. **Time: 3 innings or 50 minute time limit**, whichever comes first. (Remember, the game after you needs to start on time)
6. Continuous batting order and last batter runs bases until a defensive play is made.
7. There are no strikeouts. *If a player is declared out after he/she puts a ball into play, that player is removed from the bases. (*After the first half of the season)
8. All batters will bat through lineup no matter how many outs.
9. A coach may toss 3 pitches prior to the tee being used.
10. Players must remain in their positions until the ball is hit.
11. Catchers must be in full gear and at a safe distance behind the plate.
12. A ball hit in the field of play must travel 15 feet from home plate to be declared in play. Balls hit less than 15 feet are treated as foul balls.
13. Only 6 players allowed on the infield. The remainder of players are to be spread across the outfield evenly.
14. Coaches may instruct from the edge of the outfield grass.
15. Parents are encouraged to assist in the field.
16. Both teams are responsible for setup and takedown of the field.
17. Fences shall be placed on the field in the designated markers. Fences help create a separate space for teams warming up for the next game or practicing. The fence can be left up at the end of Friday for Saturday games.

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T-Ball 5/6 Division

1. T-Ball is about having fun and learning the basics of baseball.
2. T-Ball age limit is 4-6 years old.
3. T-Ball 5/6 Division is for advanced or returning T-Ballers who want to learn the skills necessary to be successful in Rookie the following year
4. **No score and standings are kept.**
5. **Time: 3 innings or 50 minute time limit**, whichever comes first. (Remember, the game after you needs to start on time)
6. Continuous batting order and last batter runs bases until a defensive play is made.
7. There are no strikeouts. If a player is declared out after he/she puts a ball into play, that player is removed from the bases. The inning will continue even after 3 outs are made until the entire batting order has batted.
8. **Bats:** bats must be marked with the USABat T-Ball Stamp.
9. A coach may toss 3 pitches prior to the tee being used.
10. Players must remain in their positions until the ball is hit.
11. Catchers must be in full gear and at a safe distance behind the plate.
12. A ball hit in the field of play must travel 15 feet from home plate to be declared in play. Balls hit less than 15 feet are treated as foul balls.
13. Only 6 players allowed on the infield. The remainder of players are to be spread across the outfield evenly.
14. Coaches may instruct from the edge of the outfield grass.
15. Parents are encouraged to assist in the field.
16. Both teams are responsible for setup and takedown of the field.
17. Fences shall be placed on the field in the designated markers. Fences help create a separate space for teams warming up for the next game or practicing. The fence can be left up at the end of Friday for Saturday games.

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Rookie Division

1. Rookie division is designed to teach players the basics of baseball with emphasis on teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun.
2. Rookie league is designed for players 6-8 years old.
3. Players should experience every position throughout the season.
4. **No official score or standings are kept.**
5. **Time: 6 innings or 1 hour time limit**, whichever comes first. (Remember, the game after you needs to start on time)
6. Continuous batting order.
7. Unlimited substitutions.
8. Inning is over once every player bats or 3 outs are made.
9. No leading off and no stealing bases.
10. Up to 10 players take the field on defense. The intent is to minimize the number of players sitting out each inning.
11. **Bases are 50'.**
12. **Bats:** All non-wood bats must have the USABat Marking. The Barrel Maximum is 2 5/8". No BBCOR Bats are permitted.
13. Pitching - the coach of the offensive team will pitch 5 pitches using a mechanical pitching machine. The batter is out if a ball is not put into play after 5 pitches. If player hits the 5th pitch foul, then allow batter to have one more pitch. No walks allowed.
14. The coach operating the pitching machine will also serve as the umpire.
15. All runners stop once the ball is returned to the pitcher and the pitcher is within 5' in any direction of the pitching machine.
16. Runners may only advance **one base on an overthrow.**
17. A batter who throws a bat will be given one warning and called out on a 2nd offense.
18. The home team is responsible for preparing the field for the game and takedown after the game. Although not enforced, it is encouraged that the visitor team also assist in field prep and cleanup.
19. Fence is to be taken down by the last Rookie Division game prior to the being of the Farm and Minor Division games.

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Farm Division

1. Farm division is designed to develop players for competitive baseball play with an emphasis on teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun.
2. Farm league is designed for players 8-9 years old.
3. Players should learn and play all positions.
4. Score and standings are kept.
5. **Time:** Games are 6 innings. However, **no new inning is started after 1 hour and 15 minutes.** The last inning is played through its entirety unless the umpire ends it early for safety reasons. In that case only, the score reverts back to the last completed inning. (Remember, the game after you needs to start on time)
6. Continuous batting order.
7. Unlimited substitutions.
8. 9 defensive players only.
9. **Bases: Players pitch from 42', bases are 60'**
10. **Pitch Limit:** See Pitchsmart table below.
11. **Bats:** All non-wood bats must have the USABat Marking. The Barrel Maximum is 2 5/8". No BBCOR Bats are permitted.
12. Runners may take a lead after a pitched ball crosses home plate.
13. Runners may attempt to steal on dropped or passed balls only. This includes balls that hit the ground before or during the catchers catch.
14. Runners are allowed **one base on overthrows.**
15. All runners must stop upon the ball being returned to the mound and no play is being made on them.
16. **Run Limit:** Innings are over upon 3 outs or 6 runs scored with a maximum of 9 runs per inning.
17. A batter who throws a bat will be given one warning and called out on a 2nd offense.
18. **No stealing home** -- a runner starting a play at 3rd Base may only advance home on a batted ball or when forced home by a walk, hit batter, or other force play (bases loaded).
19. The home team is responsible for preparing the field for the game and takedown after the game. Although not enforced, it is encouraged that the visitor team also assist in field prep and cleanup.

Pitchsmart Pitch Count:

AGE	DAILY MAX (PITCHES)	REQUIRED RESET (PITCHES)				
		0 Days	1 Days	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
7-8	50	1-20	21-35	36-50	N/A	N/A
9-10	75	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+

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Minors Division

1. Minors division is competitive baseball play for players 9-11 years old with an emphasis on development, teamwork, and sportsmanship.
2. Players should continue to learn and play all positions with reasonable discretion.
3. **Time:** Games are 6 innings. However, no **new inning is started after 1 hour and 30 minutes**. The last inning is played through its entirety unless the umpire ends it early for safety reasons. In that case only, the score reverts back to the last completed inning. (Remember, the game after you needs to start on time)
4. **Bases: Players pitch from 46', bases at 65'**
5. **Pitch Limit:** See Pitchsmart table below.
6. **Bats:** All non-wood bats must have the USABat Marking. The Barrel Maximum is 2 5/8". No BBCOR Bats are permitted.
7. The home team is responsible to keep score in the official score book.
8. Standings will be kept using the official score book.
9. Continuous batting order.
10. Runners may leadoff bases a maximum of 3'.
11. Runners may steal bases once the ball crosses home plate.
12. Runners must return to the base if pitcher is in control of the ball and on the mound.
13. **No dropped 3rd strike.**
14. **Infield fly rule is in effect.**
15. Collisions are to be avoided at all cost.
16. If there is a close play at home, runners must slide or they will be called out.
17. **Run Limit:** Innings are over upon 3 outs or 6 runs scored with a maximum of 9 runs per inning.
18. Batter may be called out for throwing a bat.
19. The home team is responsible for preparing the field for the game and takedown after the game. Although not enforced, it is encouraged that the visitor team also assist in field prep and cleanup.

Pitchsmart Pitch Count:

AGE	DAILY MAX (PITCHES)	REQUIRED RESET (PITCHES)				
		0 Days	1 Days	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
7-8	50	1-20	21-35	36-50	N/A	N/A
9-10	75	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+
11-12	85	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+

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Majors Division

1. Majors division is competitive baseball play for players 10-12 years old with an emphasis on development, teamwork, and sportsmanship.
2. Players should begin to specialize in positions where they excel but continue to develop their level of play at all positions.
3. **Time:** Games are 6 innings. However, **no new inning is started after 1 hour and 45 minutes.** The last inning is played through its entirety unless the umpire ends it early for safety reasons. In that case only, the score reverts back to the last completed inning.
4. **Bases:** Players **pitch from 50'**, **Bases are at 70'**
5. **Pitch Limit:** See Pitchsmart Table below.
6. **Bats:** All non-wood bats must have the USABat Marking. The Barrel Maximum is 2 5/8". No BBCOR Bats are permitted in the Cal Ripken Division.
7. The home team is responsible to keep score in the official score book.
8. Standings will be kept using the official score book.
9. Continuous batting order.
10. Runners may leadoff bases.
11. Runners may steal bases.
12. **Dropped 3rd strike rule is in effect.**
13. **Infield fly rule is in effect.**
14. Collisions are to be avoided at all cost.
15. If there is a close play at home, runners must slide or they will be called out.
16. Innings are over upon 3 outs. (**no run limit per inning**)
17. Batter may be called out for throwing a bat.
18. The home team is responsible for preparing the field for the game and takedown after the game. Although not enforced, it is encouraged that the visitor team also assist in field prep and cleanup.
19. The City of Pismo Beach requires FCYB to take down the fence after the completion of the last scheduled Majors Division game of the day. This allows for proper watering and mowing of the field.

Pitchsmart Pitch Count:

AGE	DAILY MAX (PITCHES)	REQUIRED RESET (PITCHES)				
		0 Days	1 Days	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
7-8	50	1-20	21-35	36-50	N/A	N/A
9-10	75	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+
11-12	85	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+
13-14	95	1-20	21-35	36-50	51-65	66+

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