

# Cal Ripken Tournament Rules and Regulations

This tournament will be played by the official Cal Ripken Baseball Rules and Regulations. The following is a reminder of some of these rules and any procedural issues pertaining to tournament play.

1. Slide Rule - There is no must slide rule in effect for tournament play (See Page 19)
2. Protest - A judgment call cannot be protested. All protests must be filed with the chief umpire immediately. Play will be stopped until a ruling is given by the protest committee. Only the manager may make a protest. Members of the protest committee will be discussed at the pre tournament meeting. The decision of the protest committee is final. (See Page 25)
3. Re-Entry - There are two types of re-entry rules in effect. (Page 19/20)
  - a. The re-entry of any of the starting nine players is allowed. A pitcher may be re-entered as a pitcher if the re-entry is in compliance with 11.05-4 & 11.05-6.
  - b. Re-entry of an already used player will be permitted if all substitutes have been used and an injury/ejection occurs which prohibits the injured/ejected player from continuing in the game. Selection of this substitute must be made by the opposing manager. Ejected player must leave dugout therefore he is not eligible to be selected to continue play.
4. 10 Run rule - Will be in effect for this tournament.
5. Pitching Rule - No pitcher will be allowed to pitch more than six innings in two consecutive games. A pitcher is not a pitcher of record until he pitches one pitch to a batter. Warming up prior to facing a batter does not count as an inning pitched in Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken baseball. If a pitcher is about to become an ineligible pitcher or becomes injured while warming up, he may be removed without penalty.
6. Appeal - The appeal of a missed base is not automatic. The umpire will not rule on a missed base unless the appeal is properly made by the team on the field.
7. Suspended Games - Rescheduled by the Tournament Director. All suspended games will begin from the exact point at which play was stopped. There are no rainouts!
8. No Tobacco - The use of tobacco of any kind will not be allowed by field personnel during their active participation in a game.
9. Trips to the mound - Trips to the mound shall be limited to one per inning per pitcher. The second trip in the same inning will result in removal of that player as a pitcher. Any effort to circumvent this rule will result in a trip to the mound being charged by the umpire.
10. Warming up a pitcher - Anyone warming up a pitcher must wear protective headgear.
11. No DH, No must play. No time limit.\*\* No speed up rules.
12. Special Note - Players and managers must be in full uniform\* with patches.
13. Teams check in is its first game. Anyone not at the first game is ineligible for the tournament unless they have a waiver from the State Commissioner or his designee (District Commissioner if it is a District game).
14. Dugout - Manager and two coaches, bat person (5-18yrs old) along with rostered players in the dugout only. All personnel must remain in the dugout at all times. Any exceptions will be discussed at the pre tournament meeting.
15. Manager is the only person to communicate with umpires.
16. Home team . Determined by coin toss at the end of the pre tournament meeting. Home team is in the 3rd base dugout unless specified otherwise at the pre-tournament meeting. Visitors take infield first when time permits. Host team is home team for its first (state tournament) game. Winners bracket champion is home team in the championship game, opposite team is home in the 1st game. In pool play, home team is second team listed. Pool play championship, highest seed is home team. If teams are equal, coin toss will determine home team.

17. Line up sheets - Managers must sign. Turn in half hour prior to game time. Not official until meeting at home plate. Use official line up sheets provided. Changes during game give to home-plate umpire who will give to press box. (Use numbers not names when reporting changes)

18. Waiver Requests - Players and coaches at your first game become your eligible players and coaches for the tournament. If someone is not going to be at the first game but will be there later in the tournament, you must have a waiver from the State Commissioner or his designee in order for them to be eligible. State Commissioner will consider the reason for his absence as basis for granting the waiver. This waiver must be initiated by the league president.

19. Ejections are for the current game only unless further action is required by the State Tournament Director.

20. Pool Play . If used in this tournament see Page 24. Championship play after pool play will be explained in the pre tournament meeting.

21. Pitching affidavits . Managers sign after the game. If no signature, official scorer records are official. Affidavits can be checked at any time. If a pitcher is about to become ineligible, scorekeeper can give umpire notice. Manager has the ultimate responsibility. Procedure for keeping records will be discussed at the pre tournament meeting.

22. Extra Hitter . Extra Hitter in tournament play is now an option. See rulebook for explanation of use.

\*Managers uniform does not have to match players uniform. Managers and coaches must be in full uniform with patch and number for all State Tournaments.

\*\*Cal Ripken òBö Tournament Rule additions:

- Time limit of 1 hour and 45 minutes (no inning starts after the time limit is up)
- 7 runs per inning
- 10 run rule remains in effect

ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE ABOVE PROCEDURES WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE PRE TOURNAMENT MEETING.