**TBR World Series Rules**

**Age Restrictions:**

Age as of April 30th

**Tournament Changes:**

The tournament director reserves the right to make changes that are in the best interest of the tournament. In the event of inclement weather, we will do our best to get all scheduled games in. If not, the format of the tournament will be altered.

**Schedule:**

The schedule will be sent out to all coaches and will be uploaded to travelbaseballrankings.com and <https://baseball.exposureevents.com/youth-baseball-events>.

**Tournament Check-In**

Teams must register online, upload birth certificates, upload team insurance, and all players must sign a covid-19 waiver. The team roster must contain 8 players with a maximum of 15.

**Sportsmanship**

All players, coaches, managers, and spectators are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times. The tournament director has the authority to remove anyone from the event at any time for unsportsmanlike conduct. Any ejected coach or manager shall remove themselves from the vicinity of the playing field for the remainder of the game. If behavior is too unruly the coach could be suspended for the rest of the tournament.

**Weather**

We will try to play through rain, but will not play through thunder/ lightening. If lightening is seen, we will suspend the game for 20 min. Games will not resume until we have gone 20 minutes lightening free.

**Early Start**

Each Team should be ready to play at least 30 minutes prior to their schedule game. Games will start early if possible. If teams are not ready they could be subject to a forfeit. Forfeited games will result in 8-0 loss for the forfeited team.

**Innings**

Each game will be a 6 full innings for 9-12u and 7 innings for 13u.

**Lineup and Batting**

Prior to the start of each game, each team shall turn in a lineup card to the umpire. They can decide to use one of the following lineup types (Lineups must be declared before the start of the game and used the entire game)

1. A nine-player closed lineup
2. A nine-player lineup with a DH Designated Hitter.
3. A ten-player lineup with an extra hitter
4. A continuous lineup of all present, eligible, and uniformed players

(If batting 9 or 10, 1 re-entry can occur as long as same spot in the order)

**Minimum Number of players**

Teams may play an official game with 8 players, however at the 9th spot of the batting order they shall take an out. The ninth player can be added if they become available. A team that drops to 7 players will forfeit the game.

**Time limit**

No new inning can start after 100 minutes. If a team is up 5 when time is called the game will be over in pool play (bottom or the top of the inning). Umpires shall let both coaches know when time has expired. If home team is winning when the game time expires the game will be over.

**Mercy Rule**

10 runs after 3 innings in pool and bracket play

**Tied Games**

There will be ties in Pool Play. A modified international tie breaker will be used to decide bracket play tied games. Each inning will begin with the last two batters starting on 1st and 2nd base with 1 out. The tie breaker will be used until a winner is determined.

**Reporting results:**

Both coaches must sign the score card provided by the umpire at the beginning of the game.

**Advancing to Bracket Play/Seeding**

Win/Loss Record

Head-to-Head

Runs Against

Run Differential (Teams in a tie)

Run Scored

Coin Flip

**Game Play**

Leads at all age groups and balks are called at all ages (no warnings).

Pitching/Bases

9-10u- 46/65

11-12u-50/70

13u-54/80

14 and up-60/90

**Gamechanger**

Please provide game changer name to tournament director.

**Pitch Limit**

Coaches discretion. It is highly recommended that no pitcher, pitch more than 130 pitches over the course of the weekend and/or follow PitchSmart recommendations.

**Courtesy Runners**

You may courtesy run for the pitcher/catcher at anytime during the game. The courtesy runner must be any player not in the lineup if using a closed lineup. If all players are currently in the lineup, the courtesy runner is the last completed AB. This should be used based on who was pitching/catching in the previous inning on the field.

**Sunflower Seeds:**

No sunflower seeds allowed on premises.