Greendale Park & Rec - U10 “B” Level Tournament - 6/13/20

GENERAL RULES
All rules follow the National Federation High School Rules with the following exceptions: (See also the age specific exceptions for your age group)

1. Entry fee is $275. All teams will play 3 games.

2. Birth date cut-off date is 5/1/20.

3. Home team will be determined by a coin toss prior to the game starting.

4. Free defensive substitutions are allowed for all positions except pitcher. Once a player leaves the mound, they cannot return to the mound in that game. Any player who leaves a game due to injury and is unable to continue, in the opinion of the umpire(s), will have their spot in the batting order passed over without penalty.

5. Pitchers may pitch a total of 3 innings per game. One pitch constitutes one inning.

6. Teams may bat their entire roster, but may choose to bat only 9 players.

7. All teams must start a game with at least 9 players and must complete a game with at least 8 players.

8. Fake bunt - The fake bunt, swing away is not allowed. Any player doing so will be called out.

9. Metal spikes are not allowed.

10. Baseballs will be provided for each game.

11. Round robin tie breaker will be as follows:
   a. Head-to-head
   b. Runs Allowed
   c. Runs Scored
   d. Coin Toss

12. Teams MUST PROVIDE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (naming “Village of Greendale” as covered) with their registration fee and roster form to be accepted for tournament and submit to Greendale Park & Rec office at 5647 Broad Street, Greendale, WI 53129. Questions – contact Derek Donlevy at derek.donlevy@greendaleschools.org.
Time

1. Games will be 6 innings or one hour and 40 minute time limit. No new innings will be started after one hour and 30 minutes unless the score is tied. Time is computed from the time that the last out is made in the previous inning. The umpire is the official timer. In the event of injury, the umpire will stop the time.

2. The following rules will be enforced to keep the tournament on schedule:
   a. Pitcher may “walk” a batter simply advising the umpire.
   b. No more than three warm-up pitches between innings or five pitches after a change of pitchers.
   c. No infield or outfield practice between innings.
   d. The baseball must be returned directly to the pitcher after an out is made in all games.
   e. A pitcher must be removed on the 2nd mound visit in the same inning, or 4th visit to the mound in the game and then on every subsequent visit after the 4th, regardless of how many pitchers a team has used.
   f. Courtesy Runners - Courtesy runners may only be used for the catcher or pitcher at any time, but MUST be used when there are two outs for the catcher. The runner MUST be the player who made the last out, whether in the current or previous inning (previous inning if no outs recorded in current inning). If the last out made was by the catcher or pitcher, you may skip them and go to the next option. Please have this player identified and ready if you plan to use a courtesy runner.
   g. Extra Innings - Will utilize California Rules - the person who made the last out in the previous inning will start at second base to start the extra inning and 1 out in the scorebook. Each batter will start with a 2-1 count (2 balls, 1 strike). Play then continues as usual. If the game remains tied after two extra innings, it will be a tie in the standings.

3. **Mercy Rule** - If your team is ahead by 15 runs at the completion of 4 or more innings, then you are declared the winner. If the home team is ahead by 15 runs, they will not receive their at-bats during that inning and the game will be declared as a run-rule.

4. Please anticipate pitching changes to save time.

5. No infield or batting practice before games. This is meant on the playing diamond only. Check with tournament supervisor for potential pre-game warm-up areas.

6. Have your lineup ready 15 minutes before game time. Present the lineup to the umpire before the game. Each team will be responsible for scoring the game. The umpire will verify the score with each team after each ½ inning. The umpire’s score sheet should be verified and signed by both coaches following the completion of the game. This score sheet becomes the official record 15 minutes after the completion of the game, and cannot be disputed, unless both coaches agree an error occurred.

7. You must be at your scheduled diamond 30 minutes before the scheduled start time. If a game can be started early, it will be.

Field Dimensions / Base Running

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1. Bases - 60’

2. Pitcher’s Mound - 46’

3. No slide rule - It is strongly suggested you review Federation rules concerning the no slide rule.
4. Leading off or stealing is allowed when the ball enters the hitting zone. A runner leaving early will result in a dead ball. The same runner leaving twice during the same appearance on base will be called out. Players can advance on a dropped 3rd strike and infield fly rule will apply.

5. Balk - A balk is a dead ball - no penalty.

6. Runners are able to score from 3B on a wild pitch, passed ball, or errant throw by the catcher to the pitcher.

7. Runners can advance past 1B as a result of being walked.

**Conduct**

1. No players, coach, or managers will be allowed to use profane or abusive language to players, umpires, or anyone connected with the game. This includes your spectators and parents. Please control them.

2. Only the players, managers, coaches, and scorekeeper, shall occupy the dugout during a game.

3. If any player or coach gets ejected from a game, the player or coach must leave the field (must be out of visual sight of the umpires). Ejected players or coaches will be ineligible to play or coach the team’s next scheduled game.

**Rain Delay Policy**

In the event the weather delays the games, but does not cancel the entire day or tournament, the following rules will apply:

1. The tournament official for each area will have the final say at each location at all times.

2. The safety of the players and everyone involved with the tournament is our primary concern. If there is any concern about the condition of the field, contact the tournament official. At that time efforts to resolve any concerns will occur.

3. If a rain delay occurs, the following policy will be followed:
   
   a. A complete game will be considered 3 full innings. (Note: If the home team is leading after 2 ½ innings and the game is suspended due to rain, the home team will be awarded the victory.)

   b. If the game is delayed, the game clock will be stopped for up to 15 minutes due to rain. Beyond that, the game clock will continue until the time has expired. At that time the win will be awarded to the team in the lead if three innings have been played.

   c. If the game is stopped in the middle of an inning, the umpire will award the win to the team leading the game at the end of the last complete inning, as long as 3 full innings have been played. If the score is tied and the game is cancelled due to weather, the game will be declared complete.

4. In case of rain delay, games may be reduced in time to accommodate all games assigned for that day.

5. Rain date for make-up tournament or games is Sunday, 6/14/20.

6. It is the desire of Greendale Park & Recreation to see that all games are played in full. These rules are intended to assist the field officials in fairly dealing with the potentials of a rain delay. It is our intention to allow the field official to use their judgment and to do everything necessary to get all games in while at the same time keeping the players and families safe.