

2026 CENTRAL IOWA BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

TOURNAMENT RULES

- 1.0** The Central Iowa Baseball & Softball Association Board will set up and run the tournament.
- 2.0** First and second round tournament games for all peewees will be officiated by one umpire behind the plate. Semifinal and championship peewee games will be officiated by 2 umpires. All tournament games for Minors, Majors, and Babe Ruth will be officiated by 2 umpires. The Board will assign umpires for each tournament game. Host towns will be responsible for paying each umpire \$50 per game. The Board requests that towns please provide umpires complimentary concessions. The Board will directly pay the umpires at the championship games. If the umpire does not show up within the stated time, the host town or the two teams playing will find a replacement person (minimum 18 years old) to umpire behind the plate or bases. If either town refuses to play, they will forfeit the game. Towns MUST have full umpire gear available.
- 3.0** Host towns will have a copy of league rules and tournament rules available for umpires to review before the game.
- 3.01** Umpires will do a bat check with each team to make sure no illegal bats are used.
- 3.02** Boys Pitch count rules are as follows:
- PW: 75 pitches max per 4 inning game
 - Minor: 90 pitches max per 5 inning game
 - Mandatory Rest Requirements:
 - 1-20 pitches: 0 days rest
 - 21-39 pitches: 1 day rest
 - 40-50 pitches: 2 days rest
 - 51-65 pitches: 3 days rest
 - 66+ pitches: 4 days rest
 - Rules for Finishing an At-Bat: A pitcher is allowed to finish pitching to their current batter even if they cross one of the rest-day thresholds (or their maximum game limit) during the at-bat.
 - Penalty for not following rest day threshold: 1st offense, automatic 5 runs to opposing team and that team gets to have their at bat that inning as well; 2nd offense, immediate disqualification.
- 4.0** Each team will provide 1 new game ball for each tournament game in which they play.
- 5.0** A coin toss will determine the home team for tournament game except the top 4 seeded teams will be considered “home” .
- 6.0** Each team will be allowed a 10-minute infield before each tournament game. However, all infield must be completed before the scheduled game time.
- 7.0** All teams must be at the ballpark at least 30 minutes before game time.
- 8.0** All tournament games will begin at 6:00 pm, unless otherwise noted.
- 8.1** PeeWee Girls time limit of 1 hour 30 minutes. When time limit is up, complete inning.
- 9.0** The head umpire will rule on weather conditions during tournament games.
- 10.0** If weather conditions warrant the cancellation of a tournament game, the host town must contact Tracey Malloy at 641.751.0403 by 4:00 pm that day so umpires and participating teams can be contacted.
- 11.0** If a team determines that they will have to forfeit a tournament game for whatever reason, the coach must contact Tracey Malloy at 641.751.0403 at least 24 hours prior to the game time.
- 12.0** **WINNING COACHES MUST REPORT THE GAME SCORE AND PITCH COUNTS TO THE LEAGUE SECRETARY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE GAME.** Text or Email Paige Scott at 641-751-6266 or paigevjscott@gmail.com. Please give the winning team name, division, final score, pitcher numbers and pitch count. Bracket updates will be posted by 7:00 PM the day after the game.

- 13.0** All championship games will be played without the 10-run rule. No time limit for championship games. The Board will keep an official book. Both teams need to report any changes to official book keeper.
- 13.1** No coach pitch for all tournament games.
- 13.2** All games in the tournament will bat 9 players and only have 9 players in the field.
You can play with 8 players but then you must take an out for the ninth batter.
- 14.0** All team rosters must be submitted prior to the tournament scheduling meeting. Only players appearing on the official team roster are eligible to play in tournament games. A player may play on only one team in a specific age division. If not enough players, refer to Rule of 1.03 of Boys and Girls Rules.
- 15.0** If any team who has a mound, plays in a town without a mound, the team with the mound can transport their mound to a diamond to be used by both teams for tournament games.

Medals will be awarded to each participating team at the end of each tournament championship game.