

Kids America

Indoor Baseball Tournament rules

1. **Kids America** reserves the right to change, and/ or amend the schedule, playing field, rules, or game format at any time. If necessary.
2. **Each Team will play with 7 players on Defense.** You may roster bat your entire team if you choose.
3. **Time Limits- 8U-** 1 hour 15 minutes- Finish the Inning(FTI)
9U-12U 1 hour 30 minutes - (FTI)
4. **Home Team-** The home team will be decided by a coin flip. During bracket play the highest seed will be home team.
5. **Run Rule-** 9U-12U 10 RUNS or more after 3 full innings. 8U No Run Rule.
6. **Bases and Pitching Distances:**

8U- 60' base/ 20' pitching mound. **9U-10U-** 60' base/ 46' pitching mound.
11U-12U- 65' base/ 50' pitching mound.
7. **Bat rule-** **NO** bat restrictions.
8. **Cleats-** **ONLY rubber/ plastic molded cleats or tennis shoes are allowed to be worn.**
9. **Courtesy Runner-** Teams may run a courtesy runner for the pitcher and catcher **at any time.** However, the same runner can't run for both players in the same inning. Courtesy runners must be an eligible sub, and/ or the last batted out in the lineup.
10. **Pregame warmups-** **NO Pregame warmups will be permitted.**
11. **Seeding procedures-** Win/Loss record / Head to Head / Run Differential / Runs Allowed / Runs Scored / coin flip
12. **Reporting Scores-** The winning team is to fill out the game report card and turn it into the KA Tournament director. The game card **MUST** have both Head Coaches signatures verifying the correct score of the game.

13. Pitching-

9U-12U- Pitching limit is 21 outs per pitcher for the tournament.

Balk warning- Each pitcher (9U-12U) will be allowed 2 balk warnings. We are here for the Children to play baseball. The umpire's discretion is final.

14. Base- Running/ Fielding / Roster Batting-

9U-12U ONLY- Leadoffs are ALLOWED. Stealing bases are ALLOWED. Bunting is ALLOWED.

We will **PLAY** a Dropped third strike and an Infield fly.

Roster batting is allowed for each team. If the team chooses not to roster bat, it may bat a normal 9 or 10 man lineup. All lineup cards are to be turned into the Home Plate umpire.

The starting 7 players **Must** play the entire 1st inning.

Free Substitution- after the 1st full inning of play for all 7 players.

8U ONLY- NO leadoffs/ NO stealing/ NO Dropped third strike/ NO Infield fly.

Each batter will get six pitches. If he doesn't hit the ball fair on the 6th pitch he is **OUT**.

8U ONLY- teams can only score 6 runs per inning. The last inning the home team can score an unlimited number of runs to win the game if they are trailing by more than 6 runs.

Batted balls-

Pop ups that hit the ceiling in fair territory will be an **OUT**. All balls that hit the ceiling are a **DEAD BALL**. If it's in foul territory, then it's a foul ball. If the ball is a line drive or a deep hit and it's above the netting in the outfield in fair territory it will be a ground rule double or a Home Run depending on where it hits. There is a line above the netting the indicates a possible Home run

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