



2018 GALLANT BASEBALL TOURNAMENT RULES



1.0 General

- 1.1. All players involved in this tournament must have participated in a regular season of their City's regular season baseball league.
- 1.2. Each team can list up to 15 players as well as 4 replacement players on the official Roster Affidavit.
 - 1.2a. Roster Affidavits will be turned in prior to an entry's first game
 - 1.2b. Players not listed on the Official Roster Affidavit prior to the start of the tournament are ineligible to play in any game.
 - 1.2c. Failure to adhere to this rule by playing a player not listed on the Original Roster Affidavit will result in a forfeit of that game.
 - 1.2d. Batboys/Batgirls will be allowed (no roster listing required)
- 1.3. No more than 4 coaches are allowed on the field or in dugout during game time.
- 1.4. Games consist of seven innings.
- 1.5. Mercy rule is in effect
 - 1.5a. as follows:
 - ❖ After 5 innings, team with 12 run lead wins.
 - ❖ After 6 innings, team with 10 run lead wins
- 1.6. There is no mandatory play rule.
 - 1.6a There is no minimum number of innings or at bats per player.
- 1.7. The pitcher may be substituted offensively by pinch hitter only **once** during a game and continue to pitch in the next inning.
- 1.8. A Manager or Coach may make only one trip to the mound per inning per pitcher.
 - 1.8a. The Manager or Coach **can** cross the foul line to visit the mound.
 - 1.8b. Upon any second trip in an inning, the pitcher must be replaced.
- 1.9. Adult coaches are allowed to coach the bases.
- 1.10. The EH (Extra Hitter) is optional per team and must be declared before the game to the official scorer.
 - 1.10a. EH will be allowed to move into the field and retain a 10 man batting order. (Another player may become the EH)
- 1.11. Opening day Thursday and Friday are collectively deemed 1 full Tournament day.



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- 1.12 One on- deck batter is permitted.
- 1.13 Home Team will be decided before each game by coin flip.
 - 1.13a. Home Team dugout will be on the 3rd base line.
- 1.14 Dropped Third Strike is in effect.
- 1.15 No swinging bunts allowed
 - 1.15a. 1st offense in game Batter is out, Manager is warned.
 - 1.15b. 2nd offense in game for batter is out and is ejected.
 - 1.15c. 2nd offense in game for team (same or different batter) the manager is ejected
- 1.16 All disputes will be settled by the Tournament Director.
- 1.17 No tobacco products on the field during the tournament.
 - 1.17a. Any adult leaving the field of play (while their team is playing) and engaging in any tobacco product use will be immediately barred from participating in the tournament and not allowed to return.
- 1.18 NO cellular phone or other electronic device usage allowed on the field during the game. Failure to follow this rule may result in ejection.
- 1.19 APPEALS: All appeal plays will follow this procedure.
 - 1.19A An appeal must be made with a live ball.
 - 1.19B An appeal may not occur after a pitch, play, or the defensive team leaves the field.
 - 1.19C A runner may not return to a missed base after the pitcher holds the ball in a pitching position on the mound. He may, naturally, attempt to advance.
 - 1.19D An appeal is not a play.
 - 1.19E The defense may not appeal the same runner at the same base twice.
 - 1.19F The defense must announce which runner is being appealed if two runners passed the base.
 - 1.19G The pitcher may throw for an appeal WHILE STILL ON THE RUBBER.
- 1.20 Little League Tournament Rules will be in effect for any situation not listed within these rules.



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2.0 Pitching

- 2.1 A Little League-type Pitch Count is **NOT** in effect.
- 2.2 Pitchers can pitch up to seven innings without a day between for rest.
- 2.2a Once a pitcher has accumulated seven innings, the pitcher must then rest for one full tournament day before that pitcher can pitch again.
- 2.2b Pitcher "A" pitches 3 innings Day One and 4 innings Day Two, Pitcher "A" must rest for Day Three.
- 2.3 Once a pitcher rested one full Tournament day, the pitcher is then eligible for another seven innings without rest.
- 2.4 A Tournament day is defined as a day when games are played to completion. Weather related cancellations are not considered Tournament days unless ONE FULL game is played.

3.0 Playing Equipment

- 3.1 Batting donuts are permitted.
- 3.2 Starting in 2018, the Gallant Tournament will follow the USABat standard, with 2 5/8 inch bats allowed (assuming they meet the standard and are stamped as such. As such, the USABat standard also applies to wood bats. One-piece wood bats are allowed; 2 piece wooden bats must have the USABat stamp. No other bat type is allowed.
- 3.3 Game baseballs are provided by the Tournament Committee and only these balls can be used.

4.0 Limited Free Substitution Rules

- 4.1 Starting players may leave and re-enter the game at any time, *as long as they return to their **original position in the batting order.***
- 4.2 Substitutes may enter the game at any time and are allowed to return to play, *as long as they return to their **original position in the batting order.***



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4.3 Substitutes must remain in the batting position that they assumed when they entered the game.

4.3a A starter and their substitute cannot be in the game at the same time.

4.3b. A starting player may only re-enter ONCE and a substitute may only re-enter ONCE.

4.4 Special Runner or a Courtesy Runner is **NOT** in affect.

4.4a ONE *exception* to RULE 4.4: if there is an injury to a Base runner. Pinch runners will be allowed and the player is entering the game as a substitute for the injured player.

4.4a.1 Opposing Team will pick the pinch runner.