



Matawan-Aberdeen Babe Ruth League

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MABRL Senior League Rules – Ages 13 through 15

PITCHING LIMITATIONS

In the 13-15 year old division a player may pitch a maximum of 4 innings per game. One pitch delivered is considered an inning. A pitcher in the same game may start out as pitcher, play another position, and return to the mound.

PROTESTS

When a manager claims an umpire's decision is in violation of the playing rules he may verbally protest the game but it must be done prior to the next pitch or play on the field. A written protest must be submitted to the League President within 24 hours. An appointed protest committee will convene at which time the manager can state his case. The ruling of the President and protest committee is final. No protest will be heard regarding judgment decisions. Even if it is held that the protested decision violated the rules, no replay of the game will be ordered unless in the opinion of the President and protest committee the violation adversely affected the protesting team's chances of winning the game.

RE-ENTRY

A team must bat its entire roster. There are free substitutions except for the pitcher. Once a pitcher is removed he cannot return to pitch.

COURTESY RUNNERS

Courtesy runners may be inserted for the pitcher or catcher with 2 outs.

BATS, PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND JEWELRY

Metal or wood bats are allowed. Wood bats cannot exceed 2 5/8" diameter.

In the 13-15 year old division the diameter of a metal bat must not exceed 2 5/8" or exceed 42" long. No limit on weight differential.

Approved protective headgear shall be worn on deck, at bat, while a base runner and by players in the coach's box, during practice and games.

Any player, manager or coach warming up a pitcher at home plate or elsewhere shall wear a mask. Jewelry is prohibited except for medical alert and religious bracelets or necklaces. If worn they are to be taped to the body and remain visible.

VISITS TO THE MOUND

On a second trip to the mound in the same inning to the same pitcher shall automatically result in the removal of that pitcher from the game as a pitcher only.

TIME LIMITS

No new inning may start after 2 hours.

CONTACT RULE

If a runner attempting to reach home plate intentionally and maliciously runs into a defensive player in the area of home plate, he will be called out on the play and ejected from the game. This is an umpire judgment call. **LOCAL RULE:** This rule will apply to ALL bases not just home plate.

TEN RUN RULE

Once a game has reached regulation and both teams have had equal times at bat or the home team is leading by 10 or more runs the game is terminated.

BALKS

One balk warning will be issued to each pitcher prior to enforcing the balk rule.