

Goddard Baseball / Softball
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15-16 Kid Pitch Boys Rules

1. Pitcher's mound shall be sixty feet six inches (60' 6") from home plate and bases shall be ninety feet (90') apart.
2. Double headers will be played each night. The first game will start at 6:00 PM and will be a seven (7) inning game. The second game will start ten (10) minutes after the first game and will also be a scheduled seven (7) inning game. No inning will start, however, after ten (10) PM. The exception being in the post season tournament in which games will be seven (7) scheduled innings. Extra innings will be played if the game ends in a tie, regardless of the time limit.
3. If after completion of a team's turn at bat in the third (3rd) inning, they are behind fifteen (15) runs or more, {ten (10) runs or more in the fourth (4th) inning, or any inning thereafter}, the game shall be terminated and considered a complete game.
- 4. There is no maximum number of runs which can be scored in an inning.**
5. Free substitution can be used. All players reporting in time for the game must bat in rotation. Any player coming to the game late may be added to the bottom of the lineup at the time he arrives.
6. Once a starting pitcher or a sub-pitcher has been removed from that position, he may re-enter that position one (1) time in the same game.
7. No player may pitch more than a total of ten (10) innings within a period of two days; and, if he appears on two (2) consecutive days as a pitcher he may not appear on the third (3rd) day. The throwing of one (1) pitch constitutes an appearance. The penalty for violation of this rule shall be forfeiture of the game in which violation occurred.
8. Each team must field at least eight (8) but not more than nine (9) players. A team fielding less than nine (9) players will take an automatic out for the missing player.
- 9. The home team will provide the official scorekeeper. The official score keeper will also be the official timekeeper along with the plate umpire. The visiting team will provide a base umpire.**
10. A designated runner will be allowed for either the pitcher or catcher when there are two(2) outs in any inning.
11. The designated runner will be the player who recorded the previous out.
12. Metal spikes may be worn, but not required.

13. A glove/mitt worn by a pitcher that includes the colors of white and/or gray shall be illegal. Batting gloves may not be worn while pitching on either hand.

14. Five (5) warm-up pitches is the maximum between innings. A new pitcher will be allowed seven (7) warm-up pitches. The plate umpire shall keep count on the number of pitches used.

15. Infield practice will be limited to 5 minutes per team. No infield practice after the 6:00 pm games.

16. All players will wear a helmet while batting, running the bases or coaching a base. If he/she refuses, he/she will be declared out if batting or on the bases. If a runner intentionally discards their helmet while running the bases, he/she will be declared out at the next dead ball. Base coaches not wearing a helmet will not be allowed to coach a base.

17. Infield fly rule will be enforced.

18. Third strike rule will be enforced.

19. The balk rule will be enforced as defined by the National Federation of High Schools Baseball Rules Book. Umpires will be instructed to work with pitchers. Pitchers will be given a warning first. The next time a pitcher balks the rules will be enforced. This procedure will be used until June 3rd. After this date regular balk rules will be enforced.