

Bath “Best of the Northwest” Coach Pitch Tournament Rules

1. 15-player roster to be submitted before the first game. Age as of MARCH 1, 2021 .
2. ***NO TIME LIMIT ON GAMES***
3. The home team will be determined by a coin flip. The home scorekeeper will be considered the official book.
4. All players are in the batting order. There are free substitutions for the defensive positions. All players are required to play a minimum of 2 defensive innings.
5. The defense will play with 10 in the field (All defensive players must occupy a normal fielding position)
6. The batting order must consist of at least 10 players or an out will be taken when that spot comes up.
7. Three (3) outs or a team reaching the seven (7) run limit for the inning to end.
8. A 10 run rule after 4 innings will be used.
9. Seven (7) run limit per inning with the sixth inning being unlimited runs.
10. ***With the new bat regulations – we will address the bat rules when schedules come out***
11. There will be no infield fly rule.
12. No head first slides (you can head first slide back to a bag).
13. No leading off or stealing of bases, unless ball is over thrown when making a play on a runner.
14. The **Avoid Contact Rule** applies. Runners do not have to slide, but they must avoid contact. Any aggressive contact may result in a player being called out and possibly being ejected. This rule is at the umpire’s discretion.
15. Pitching rubber will be at 40 ft.
16. A batter will be allowed 7 pitches or 3 strikes (whichever comes first). If the batter does not put the ball in the field of play on the 7th pitch than the batter is out.
17. No bunting.
18. If a batted ball hits the pitcher/coach, the ball is dead and the batter gets another pitch. Pitcher/Coach should make every attempt to move out of the way of a hit ball.
19. The defense must stop the lead runner before the umpire will give time. Only the umpire can give time. A play will be considered over once the runner’s forward progress has stopped, unless a play is made on the runner.
20. No metal cleats or spikes are allowed.
21. Games called because of weather or darkness will be resumed at the point of delay.
22. No protests allowed. All umpires’ decisions are final.
23. If any coach or player is ejected, he will be suspended for the next game as well.
24. No team may quit a game before the end of the game unless the run rule goes into effect.
25. A player is only allowed to be on (1) roster & cant play on multiple teams or age divisions.
26. There is *NO* Alcohol allowed on Bath Schools Property.

****In the event of inclement weather, every attempt will be made to complete the tournament. Refund Policy: If inclement weather forces the cancellation of the tournament prior to its start, \$100.00 of the entry fee will be forfeited. If one (1) game is played/started 50% is forfeited. If two (2) games are played/started, no refund is due (two (2) games played, or a combination of a forfeit and a game)****

* Please respect our umpires! They are volunteers. Any disrespect toward them will not be tolerated*

** Any questions regarding rules should be directed to Justin Rex & Bobby Jenkins, Tournament Directors**