



GBS Tournament Game Rules

Baseball

All teams must check in at Tournament Office before their first game and must have insurance and rosters on file before starting play.

Game Rules

GBS will provide pitching and score cards to registered teams for each game.

Each team must provide one (1) new "game quality" ball for each game.

Maximum of 5 runs or 3 outs per half inning

Run rule in effect: 15 after 3rd inning | 10 after 4th inning | 6 after 5th inning

Maximum game time length (6U - 8U): 1 hour, 15 minutes

Maximum game time length (9U - 12U): 1 hour, 30 minutes

Maximum game time length (14U): 1 hour, 45 minutes

Games can start up to 15 minutes early if the field is clear and ready to play.

Bat entire line-up on submitted roster.

No pitch count in any age groups.

Bracket Seeding:

- 1) Best record (if 3 or more teams are tied – go to #3)
- 2) Head-to-head
- 3) Runs allowed
- 4) Runs scored
- 5) Coin flip

Pool Play

Coin flip to determine home team

Pool games can end in tie. The game will be split between the visiting and home teams with 1/2 point each (or .5)

No ties in elimination games. The modified California Tie-breaker rules applies if an elimination game ends with a score tied. The game shall continue using a modified California Tie-breaker rule until a winner is determined at the end of the next, fully completed inning.

Modified California Tie-Breaker Definition:

- Each half inning will start with the bases loaded and one (1) out
- Each team will continue the batting order from the previous inning
- With the three (3) previous batters occupying the bases:
 - With the last batter occupying 1st base
 - With the second batter occupying 2nd base
 - The 3rd batter occupying 3rd base

Other Rules:

No artificial noise makers are allowed to be used. Examples include but are not necessarily limited to: air-horns, bells, shakers, rattles, drums, etc...

No infield practice for any teams.

No opening ceremony.

Closing ceremony shall include the award of trophies by the Tournament Director or a designated representative (board member or other appointed individual).

No protests

Game Reporting

Scores are reported by the umpires after the coaches have signed the completed score card.

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Follow USSSA rules unless stated otherwise