

PRAIRIE VILLAGE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL



WEE-BALL

IN-HOUSE RULES - 2019 *(updated 03/31/2019)*

LEAGUE OFFICIALS:

PRESIDENT: _____

VICE PRESIDENT: _____

WEE BALL COMMISSIONER: _____

All future rule changes will be discussed and voted on by League President, Vice President and Division Commissioner.

League Rules – All Divisions

Uniforms

1. Players must be in Prairie Village issued uniforms pertaining to that particular year at the time of play and must comply with all uniform regulations concerning non-issue articles of clothing to be eligible to play. However, the umpire may authorize the wearing of non-issue clothing to protect against cold weather.
2. The head coach/manager is responsible for the uniforms issued by the league.
3. No metal spikes or cleats are allowed in any league except Senior Babe Ruth Baseball, 16-18 years old.
4. Pants and/or shorts may be solid or pin striped depending on team preference.

General Rules

1. No Tobacco, Pets or Bicycles allowed on the grounds.
2. The head coach is responsible for finding out when rain-out games are rescheduled.
3. Rainouts will be made up on dates determined by a combination of the President/VP, Commissioner and/or Player Agent.
4. No practices or games before 12:00 on Sundays.
5. Prairie Village league teams have preference over “select” AAU teams concerning practicing on fields or in batting cages. This includes teams comprised of kids playing baseball or softball at Prairie Village.
6. All players will play in league defined by age designation. Players “playing up” are not eligible for All-Stars in any age group. “Playing up” is defined as a player playing one age year above their current age year in any age division. A player cannot advance two age years to a different division. For example: a seven-year-old may not play in the 9-10-year-old division.
7. There will be no warm ups on field if games are not on schedule.
8. The league will supply a scorekeeper and scorebook. If there is not a scorekeeper from the league, the home team must provide an official scorekeeper and will keep the official scorebook for the league. The visiting team is to provide someone to update scoreboard and announce games.
 - o *Exception:* No score or scorebook is kept in Wee-ball.
9. Both teams are responsible for cleaning out their dugout after each game.
10. All teams will be required to provide help in the concession stand at their designated times.
11. No soft tossing of balls into fencing. Rubber pads on fencing may be used for this purpose.
12. Pre-game warm-ups must be done behind the minor/major fields or in the church lot next to parking area. No exceptions!
13. Coaches are permitted to be Head Coach of only one (1) team in any given season. Assisting on one (1) additional team is allowed, regardless of division.
14. Head Coaches are responsible for the actions and behavior of their Assistant Coaches and fans. A reasonable attempt by the Head Coach must be made to control the behavior of the Assistant Coaches and fans. Any coach or fan that is ejected for unsportsmanlike behavior will not be allowed to coach or attend the next game. If ejected from a game, you must not only leave the playing field but either leave the facility or watch the game from inside the office above the concession stand if available. Failure to abide will result in a forfeit of the game and could include indefinite suspension or dismissal from Prairie Village Baseball/Softball.

15. Any coach that runs onto a field and argues an umpire's call in any way will immediately be thrown out of the game; no questions asked. If the coach refuses to stop the argument or refuses to leave the facility, the game will be considered a forfeit.
16. Any coach that physically touches an umpire or league official will be ejected from the game and not allowed to coach for the remainder of the season. If a second offense occurs in future games and/or seasons, coaching rights will be lost for life.
17. The league reserves the right to remove/replace a coach if conduct or actions while representing Prairie Village Baseball/Softball are deemed inappropriate by a collective of the league officials and/or Board of Directors.

Game Rules

1. All players must play every inning.
2. All games are two (2) innings long. An inning consists of batting through the batting order one (1) time.
3. The batting order shall consist of all present players on the team roster at the beginning of the game. Every player will have a chance to bat each inning. Late arrivals shall be inserted at the bottom of the batting order. If a player refuses to bat, they will remain in the lineup and be encouraged to participate the rest of the game.
4. There are no outs in Wee Ball.

Batting Rules

1. All players will bat.
2. Players will hit off tee. (NO COACH PITCH)
3. Batting coach can assist or help the batter.
4. The hitting tee must stay inside the black outer edges of home plate when being hit.
5. Batting coach must remove tee from plate before runner(s) cross home plate.
6. The batting coach should encourage and remind the batters not to throw the bat after hitting the ball off the tee.
7. A team shall play offense until the last player in the lineup hits. After hitting the ball, batter will circle all bases and hit a "simulated" inside the park home run. All runners on base ahead of the batter will also circle the bases and run across home plate.
8. Coaches and/or adults can coach 1st, 2nd, and 3rd bases. The runners can be assisted if necessary (handled, led, etc.), by a coach or an adult.
9. Players cannot lead off or steal at any time.
10. All base runners can advance on bases until the umpire calls time.
 - o Exception: When the last batter of the inning runs the bases as explained in rule #7.

Fielding Rules

1. All players play the field. If a player refuses to play the field they will remain in the game and be encouraged to participate the rest of the game.
2. A player must field the ball and hold it above their head to stop play (infield or outfield). The play is over when the umpire calls time.
3. Coaches and/or adults are allowed out on the field to help give instructions and encourage all the players to field the ball. They should not stand in front of the player(s) where their view of the batter is hindered.
4. Coaches and/or adults should not interfere with the defensive players or the ball when the play is live. This includes stopping the ball with their feet. The head coach and/or the umpire should make the adult aware of this rule if an infraction occurs.

**I have read and understand all rules and guidelines set forth by Prairie Village
Baseball/Softball for 2019.**

Coaches Name: _____

Division & Team: _____

Date: _____