

## 2009 RYBA House league Tournament 4<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade

### **Rules:**

During the house league tournament, all teams will follow the same RYBA rules that governed the games during the regular season with a few adjustments for pitching rules.

### *Innings Pitched Restrictions:*

- 3 per game, 6 per pool, 3 per game, 6\* per bracket at the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade levels (6 inning max per day)
- 3 per game, 6 per pool, 3 per game, 8\* per bracket at the 6<sup>th</sup> grade level (8 inning max per day)
- 4 per game, 8 per pool, 4 per game, 10\* per bracket at the 7<sup>th</sup> grade level (8 inning max per day)
- 7 per game, 10 per pool, 7 per game, 10\* per bracket at the 8<sup>th</sup> grade level (10 inning max per day)

*Pitching rules are on the honor system and each coach should be careful to monitor their own pitchers. \* waived for championship and 3<sup>rd</sup> place games. **Failure to abide by the rules will result in a forfeit.***

### **Rainout/Postponements:**

If severe weather interrupts the tournament or makes fields unplayable and it is not reasonable to continue, we may be forced to cancel. Any weather related announcements will be put out on the web ([www.RYBAMN.com](http://www.RYBAMN.com)).

### **Game lengths**

4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> 6 innings 2 hour time limit (no new inning after 2 hours)  
7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 7 innings 2 hour 30 minute time limit (no new inning after 2 hours  
30 minutes)

10 run rule after 4 ½ innings.

**Team listed second or on the bottom of a bracket is the home team.**

**Tie Games (Pool Play):** If after regulation the game is tied, each team receives 1 point. **THERE ARE NO EXTRA INNINGS IN POOL PLAY! Note:** Won-Loss-Tie record is always the first method to differentiating teams.

Win=2 Points, Loss=0 Points, Tie=1 Point.

### **Pool Play Tie Breaker Method:**

1. Head to head
2. Least number of runs allowed in total pool play
3. Run differential in total pool play (maximum plus or minus 10 runs per game)
4. Least number of runs allowed against tied teams
5. Run differential against tied teams (maximum plus or minus 10 runs per game)
6. Coin toss

If three or more teams are tied, please follow examples below;

Example #1: If no teams are tied AFTER applying the tie breaker #2, as in Team A = 8 runs allowed Team B = 10 runs allowed Team C = 11 runs allowed. Then Team A is a #1 seed in the pool, and Team B and Team C will go back to head to head.

Example #2: If two teams are still tied AFTER applying the tie breaker #2 and determining the # 1 Seed as in Team A = 8 runs allowed Team B = 12 runs allowed Team C = 12 runs allowed. Thus team A is #1 seed and the #2 seed is determined by the head to head between Team B and Team C.

Example #3: If two teams are still tied AFTER applying the tie breaker #2 and determining the # 3 Seed as in Team A = 11 runs allowed Team B = 10 runs allowed Team C = 10 runs allowed. Thus team A is #3 seed and the #1 seed is determined by the head to head between Team B and Team C.

\*\*Also note that won-loss record is always the first method to differentiating teams.\*\*

**Tie Games (Championship Series):** Games will be played until the winner is determined without time limits.

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**Coach/Fan/ Player Conduct:**

Umpires, grade level commissioners, and RYBA tournament officials (board members) reserve the right to remove a player, coach or a fan from the ballpark. Any unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.

In severe cases, a player ejected from a game by the umpire may not be allowed to play in the rest of the tournament. This will be up to the umpire and grade level commissioners to judge the severity of the infraction

**Scores:**

All scores should be immediately reported to the grade level commissioners.

**Equipment Return:**

All coaches are responsible for turning in their equipment to the commissioner or to an RYBA official at the RYBA shed/concession stand immediately following their final game.

Thanks,  
RYBA Board of Directors and House Committee