



SARATOGA
SPRINGS
RECREATION

Saratoga Springs Recreation

Mustang League Rules 3rd/4th Grade

Saratoga Springs Baseball will follow rules in this order:

1. City League Rules
2. UBBA Rules
3. High School Rules

If a rule cannot be found in the city league rules, then check the UBBA rules. If it is still not found then default to high school baseball rules.

Game Time

- 1 hour 20 minutes.
- The end of an inning is when the third out is made. If there is still time on the clock when in the bottom of an inning and the third out is made one more inning will be played.

Line Up

- Game clock will start at the umpire's signal at the scheduled game time. Lineups must be turned in at least 5 minutes before game time. If lineups are not turned in 5 minutes before game time one run will be added to the opposing teams score to start the game. If a game goes over the allotted time the next game will start within 5 minutes.
- If a player is late, they can be added to the bottom of the lineup. Scorekeeper MUST inform the opposing coach of the addition.

Uniforms

- No metal cleats are permitted!
- Saratoga recreation jersey must be worn to play.

Weather

- If the game is called for weather or other reasons, the team ahead is declared the winner **IF** 2 or more equal innings have been completed or 40 minutes of gametime have elapsed. If less than 2 innings are played then and 40 minutes have not elapsed the game will be rescheduled and resume where the game was left off.

Batting

- Coaches are required to bat everyone and play everyone. No exceptions!

Strike Zone

The strike zone will be wider and taller than a normal strike zone. A strike will be called if the pitch is 3-4 inches wide of the plate or above the armpits and below the knees. Umpires are instructed that if in doubt to call a strike.

Runs Allowed

- There will be a six-run offensive limit during the first two innings of play. The play where the sixth run is scored is live and all runs will be counted until the play is complete. Pitcher charged 3 outs.
- IF the home team is batting when time expires AND it is within the first two innings AND CANNOT score the necessary runs to win the game, the game will end. Otherwise, the game will continue until the home team either scores the winning run or 3 outs are achieved.
- No extra innings will be played during the regular season. Games can end in a tie.
- Extra innings in tournament play will begin with the last out of the previous inning as a runner on second base. (International Tie Breaker Rule)

Penalties

- Any team failing to field at least 9 players will be assessed an out in the batting order for each missing player at the place designated by the coach (before the game starts). Game will be declared a forfeit if a team cannot field at least 7 players.

Stalling

- If a coach/player is found stalling a game by calling a batter out of the box excessively to talk or taking too long between innings an out may be issued by the umpire after sufficient warnings for the coach/player to stop stalling are given.

Pitching Charts

- All coaches are required to sign the pitching chart after their game has been completed. If it is not signed it becomes official with what the scorekeeper has recorded. All pitching must be reported to the tower.

Infield Fly

- The infield fly rule can be called in all leagues. However, it is completely up to the discretion of the umpire in all age groups. All umpire decisions are final.

The home team will take the 3rd base dugout.