



2020 9 Year Old State Cal Ripken Baseball Tournament
Scheels Baseball Complex
July 30 – Aug 2, 2020 (2000 Shiloh Dr, Bismarck, ND)



Tournament Rules and Game Conduct

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Team Check-In

Team Managers **MUST** check-in a minimum of 1 hour prior to your first scheduled game at Tournament Headquarters which is located on the East side of the Concessions building at the Scheels Complex.

1. Managers will turn in their team credentials binder at that time. The binders will be returned to Managers after each team's final game is played.
2. Playing Field Ground Rules will be communicated to the Managers.
3. If they have not used the online payment option, Manager's will turn in their Tournament fees (\$150 Team Entry and \$250 Team Gate Fee) at that time. Teams can submit separate Entry/Gate fee – or combine them.
4. Managers will confirm that the correct cell #s are included in the group text for weather updates/cancelations etc.
5. Pitch Count Sheets will be used. After each game, a picture of the sheet will be texted to coaches in the group text.
6. Please help us keep our facility clean, and do not consume alcohol in the parking lot or on the grounds of the complex.

NOTE: Due to the current COVID-19 environment, there will be no opening ceremonies.

Tournament Documents for Check-In

- a. **Letter of League Eligibility (Signed by State Commissioner)**
- b. **Tournament Team Roster (Signed by League President)**
- c. **Coaches Certification Information (ID card or Certificate, beginning in 2008). Tournament managers and coaches must complete coaching education and certification prior to the start of their first level of tournament competition.**
- d. **Certificate of Insurance Coverage (Accident and Liability).**
- e. **Insurance Claim Form (signed by the League President)**
- f. **Consent of Treatment forms.**
- g. **Any applicable waivers.**
- h. **A team photograph with all players identified by name and number.**

Tournament Rules and Guidelines

Spectator Admission

- Rather than a daily gate fee, each team will be assessed a \$250 Team Gate fee. As referenced above, teams are asked to turn in their team gate fee at check-in.

Tournament Rules

1. Managers are to have lineup cards submitted to the score table 15 minutes prior to the start of the game. Please include Starters first and last name/number/position, as well as Reserves first and last name/number, and Coaches/Manager first and last name.
2. Home team will be determined by seeding as designated on the published schedule (for both pool and bracket play). If both teams are same seed, coin flip will take place. In that instance Team Managers shall report to Tournament Headquarters 1 hour prior to the affected game for the coin flip. For entirety of the tournament, Home Team will occupy the 3rd base dug out.
3. NO PRE-GAME INFIELD ON THE GAME FIELDS. All pre-game infield will be done on the four non-used fields on the West end of the complex. However, there will be NO live hitting on the practice fields. The practice diamonds will be available for teams to use for the duration of the preceding games.
4. LIVE HITTING can be done in the batting cages. There are cages available at both ends of the complex.
5. Umpires will enforce all rules and regulations covered in the Babe Ruth League, Inc. Baseball Rules and Regulations and Official Playing Rules.
6. Only the Manager (no coaches or players) will discuss any plays of a controversial nature. The Umpire-in Chief shall be fully informed of the identity of each team manager.
7. Managers, coaches, and players shall wear full uniforms according to the Official Baseball Rules. No ragged shirt tails, etc. will be permitted. Protective headgear (double earflap) must be worn at bat and on the bases.
8. Equipment – bats, gloves, etc., shall be stacked neatly in their proper places at all times.
9. Discarding bats and protective helmets in such a way as to cause injury to another player or spectator shall be deemed unsportsmanlike.
10. All games are scheduled for 6 innings or 5 ½ innings if the home team is leading.
11. Any tournament game for Cal Ripken Baseball divisions must be terminated immediately if one team is ahead by fifteen (15) or more runs after two and one half (2 ½) or three (3) innings and each team has had equal times at bat.
12. Any tournament game for Cal Ripken Divisions must be terminated immediately once becoming regulation (3 ½ or 4 innings) if one team is ahead by 10 or more runs and each team has had equal times at bat, or the home team is leading.
13. All protective gear must be worn. Helmets for batters and runners as well as bat boys/girls. Masks, throat protector and cup supporter for the catcher.
14. Anybody (player or coach) warming up the pitcher must wear a mask (includes bull pen).
15. Intentional Walk: Umpire declares ball dead and awards batter 1st base- no pitches are delivered.
16. No designated hitter or courtesy runners are permitted.
17. EXTRA PLAYER: A team may elect to add a 10th player to the batting order. Prior to the beginning of the game, this player will be indicated in the line-up as the “EP”. The “EP” will be treated as any other starter and cannot be eliminated during the course of the game. If a team’s line-up starts with 10 players, the team must finish with 10 players. Penalty shall be a forfeit.
18. The Babe Ruth League re-entry rule is in effect for all games (all starters may re-enter one time).
19. All players/coaches must have the Cal Ripken emblem properly displayed on their uniform or hat.
20. No protest on judgement calls, only on rule interpretations. Game will stop until the protest is ruled on. Any protest of an incident must be made immediately after the incident. Once a pitch has been thrown following said incident, the incident can no longer be protested.
21. Protest committee members will be posted at Tournament Headquarters.
22. Only fifteen (15) players, one (1) manager, three (3) coaches and one (1) batboy/batgirl are allowed in the dugout.
23. Jewelry is prohibited. Players shall not wear jewelry.
24. NO METAL CLEATS.

Pitching Rules

1. No player may pitch in 3 consecutive days regardless of pitch count.
2. Maximum pitches in a day = 75
3. Rest Period:
 - a. 1-40 pitches = 0 days rest
 - b. 41-65 pitches = 1 day of rest
 - c. 66+ pitches = 2 days of rest

*** If the pitcher reaches the maximum pitch count limit while facing a batter, they may continue to pitch until the batter reaches base safely or is put out.

Zero Tolerance Policy

- **North Dakota Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy for parents and spectators.**
- **Parents/spectators using inappropriate and disruptive behavior shall include, but not limited to: use of obscene or vulgar language in a boisterous manner to anyone at any time, taunting of players, coaches, officials, umpires, or other spectators by means of baiting, ridiculing, and/or threat of physical violence or actual physical violence.**
- **Penalty:** If an umpire, NDBRD representative or tournament official observes a parent/spectator displaying inappropriate and disruptive behavior that interferes with other spectators or the game, the umpire, NDBRD representative or tournament official will stop the game and identify violators to the team manager, coaches for the purpose of removing parents/spectators from the spectator's viewing and game area. Once removed, the game will resume. In addition, these disciplinary provisions are in effect before and after games. Violators may be subject to further disciplinary actions by local governing bodies and ND Babe Ruth Baseball.

Tournament Contacts

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