

Banoak, Hildebran, and Mountain View Recreation Center

Cal Ripken Minor League Rules (9-10 year olds)

1. Age: 10 and Under (players cannot turn eleven (11) before May 1st)
2. Player Roster: Each team must bat their full roster. Each player must play a minimum of two (2) innings in the field in a 6 inning game and one (1) inning in the field in a 4 inning game or less. A team must have a minimum of eight (8) players to start a game. Teams will not be penalized with an out in the batting order if only eight (8) players are playing the game. A maximum of ten (10) players are allowed in the field at one time. A fourth outfielder is allowed and shall be positioned in the outfield at the time the pitch is released. The outfield is defined as "the outfield grass or a minimum of 12 feet behind the bases and their respective paths".
3. Game Length: Six (6) innings or 90 minute time limit. No new inning will begin after 1 hour and 25 minutes. Next inning starts when the last out is made in the previous inning. If home team is behind, the inning must be finished to be a complete game. A 10-minute grace period is allowed for the first game only. Three (3) complete innings constitutes a game if rainout, 2 ½ if home team is winning.
4. There will be a five (5) run limit for all innings.
5. Pitching Restrictions: Pitchers are allowed to pitch six (6) innings in a calendar week. A calendar week runs from Monday through Sunday. A single thrown pitch in an inning constitutes one inning pitched. Starting pitchers may re-enter the game as pitcher as long as they were not removed from the pitching position on a second trip to the mound. Managers are allowed one trip to the mound per inning. A second trip to the pitching mound in the same inning must result in the pitcher being removed from that position.
6. No metal spikes are allowed on cleats
7. A courtesy runner is allowed for the catcher when there are two (2) outs. The courtesy runner will be the player that made the last recorded out.
8. Ten Run Rule will be in effect after four (4) innings.
9. If a player cannot finish the game due to injury or sickness they can be removed from the lineup but cannot re-enter the game. The opposing coach and scorekeeper must be informed prior to the player's turn at bat or the player is declared out. If a player has to leave during a game, the coach must inform the official scorekeeper and opposing coach prior to the start of the game or the player will be declared out during his at bat. The player must be placed last in the batting order. If a player shows up after the game has started the coach must inform the opposing coach and official scorekeeper of the addition and the player must be added to the bottom of the lineup.
10. All Cal Ripken rules apply unless modified above.
11. All protests must be submitted in writing to the head of baseball within 24 hours of the end of the game. Protest on rule interpretations only. No protest on judgment calls.
12. All teams must clean trash out of the dugouts.
13. The home team will be responsible for official scorekeeping.