

2025 11UAA Rules

1. Player Eligibility

- Players must be 11U-aged, meaning they turn 11 years old or younger during the 2025 calendar year.
- Eligible birth years: Born in 2014 or later. Girls born in 2013 or later are also eligible.

2. Game Structure

- **Game Length:** 6 complete innings (or 5½ if the home team is ahead).
- No new innings after 2 hours. The current inning will be completed.
- If not the 6th inning, it will NOT be an open inning.
- No extra innings in regular season games. Ties will stand.

3. Run Rules

- 4 Runs/Inning Rule: An inning ends when 3 outs occur, or 4 runs are scored.
 - Exception: If a home run clears the fence, all runs on the play count, even if it exceeds the 4-run limit.
- **Open Inning:** The 6th inning has no run limit.
- Mercy Rule: 10-run lead ends game after 4 innings (or $3\frac{1}{2}$ if the home team is ahead).

4. Equipment

- Bats:
 - Minus-5 and above aluminum bats allowed.
 - Max length: 32 inches.
 - o Max barrel: 2¾ inches.
 - o Must have 1.15 BPF certification.
 - o Bat grip tape may extend up to 16 inches from the handle.

Footwear:

- Metal cleats/spikes are prohibited.
- o Rubber molded cleats or running shoes are permitted.

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• Helmets:

- o Double earflap helmets must be worn at bat, on-deck, and on base.
- Chinstraps are optional.

5. Batting & Lineup

- All players on the roster must bat in order.
- Late arrivals are added to the end of the lineup.
- Players leaving during the game are removed from the lineup—no automatic out.
- If a player cannot complete an at-bat, the next batter continues with the same count.
 - o The original player may return later.
- If a player cannot run the bases, the last recorded out takes their place.
 - o The original player may return later.

6. Defensive Substitution

- Unlimited substitutions allowed on defense.
- Exceptions:
 - o A player who has pitched may not re-enter as a pitcher.
 - o A player who has pitched may not catch on the same day.

7. Batting Rules

- On a dropped third strike, the batter is automatically out.
 - o The ball remains live and runners may advance.
- In-Field Fly is in effect

8. Baserunning Rules

• Lead-Off Rules:

- o Runners must remain on base until the pitched ball reaches the batter.
- o If they leave early and the batter doesn't hit, they return to their original base unless tagged out.
- o If the batter hits the ball:
 - Runners return to their previous base unless forced forward.



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- Batter's advancement is limited based on hit type (single/double/triple).
- o If the early leadoff allows an infielder to potentially make an out, all runners must remain unless forced.
 - If three runners are on base and the batter reaches safely, the runner who violated the rule is declared out.
- Stealing:
 - o Runners may steal and score on a missed pitch by the catcher.
- Courtesy Runners:
 - o **Not allowed**, even for catchers with 2 outs.

9. Other Game Rules

- **Bunting:** Permitted.
- **Pitch Count:** Baseball Canada Pitch Count Rules apply.
- **Fair Play:** Baseball PEI Fair Play Rules apply to all games, including Provincials, Eliminations, and Atlantics.
- Umpire Interactions: See the separate handout on the Non-Confrontational Rule.

10. Post-Game Responsibilities

- The **Home Team** must update the league website by 12:00 PM the following day.
 - o Include: Score, pitcher names, jersey numbers, and pitch counts for both teams.
- The **Home Team** provides game balls:
 - o 2 new 65cc or better balls
 - At least 1 good extra ball