

# 2025 BPEI 11U "AAA" Division Rules

#### **Eligibility**

- Players must be 11U-aged (turning 11 or younger in 2025).
  - o Boys born 2014 or later
  - o Girls born 2013 or later

#### 1. Game Format

- Length: 6 innings (5½ if the home team is ahead)
- Time Limit: 2 hours max. Finish the current inning; no new innings begin after 2 hours.
  - o The final inning is **not** considered an open inning unless it is the **6th inning**.
- Ties: No extra innings in the regular season. Ties stand.

# 2. Run Limits

- **Per Inning**: Max 5 runs, except:
  - o **Over-the-fence home runs**: All runs count, even if over 5.
- 6th Inning: Open (no run limit).
- Mercy Rule:
  - o **Provincials**: 10-run rule after 4 innings (3½ if home team is ahead)
  - o League Play: 10-run rule after 5 innings (4½ if home team is ahead)

## 3. Bat Regulations

- Aluminum bats allowed.
- Max: 32" length, 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" barrel, 1.15 BPF.
- Tape allowed up to 16" from the handle.



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#### 4. Footwear

Prohibited: Metal cleats/spikes

• Allowed: Rubber molded cleats, running shoes

#### 5. Helmets

- Double earflap helmets required when:
  - At bat
  - On-deck
  - On base
- Chinstraps are **OPTIONAL**

### 6. Batting Order

- All players on the roster bat in turn.
  - o Late Arrivals: Added to end of lineup
  - o Early Departures: Removed from lineup, no automatic out
  - o **Injury During At-Bat**: Next batter takes over count; injured player may return
  - o **Injury on Bases**: Replaced by last recorded out; may return later

### 7. Defensive Substitutions

- Unlimited defensive changes
- Restrictions:
  - o A pitcher cannot return to pitch once removed
  - o A player who has pitched **cannot** catch in the same day

#### 8. Batter Rules

• **Dropped 3rd Strike**: Batter is **automatically out** and may not attempt to steal first base. The ball remains live, and runners may advance.



### 9. Baserunning & Leadoffs

- Runners **may not** leave base until the pitch crosses the plate.
  - o If the ball is not hit and runner left early:
    - Runner may proceed at own risk
    - If out: OUT stands
    - If safe: Runner must return to time of pitch base; no out
  - If batter hits ball and runner left early:
    - Baserunner must be placed as follows:

Single: to 2ndDouble: to 3rdTriple: home

- If infielder could have made an out had the leadoff violation not occurred,
  no advancement or scoring allowed
- If 3 runners are on base (force all around) and the batter reaches 1st base safely - any runner who left early, will be OUT
- Stealing is allowed on passed balls and overthrows

# 10. Courtesy/Designated Runners

• Not permitted (even for catchers with 2 outs)

### 11. Bunting

Permitted

#### 12. Pitch Count

• Baseball Canada Pitch Count Rules apply.

### 13. Fair Play



• **Baseball PEI Fair Play Rules** are in effect at all times (league, Provincials, Eliminations, Atlantics)

### 14. Umpire Interaction

• Non-Confrontational Rule applies – see separate handout for details.

## 15. Game Reporting

- Home team must update website by 12:00 noon the day after the game.
  - o Include: Score, pitcher names/numbers, pitch counts (both teams)

#### 16. Game Balls

- Home team supplies:
  - o 2 new 65cc (or better) balls
  - At least 2 good extras

### 17. Provincials Roster Requirement

• Teams must field 12 hitters, all of whom will bat.

# 18. Affiliate Player (AP) Exception – 2025 ONLY

- For 11UAAA and 13UAAA ONLY:
  - APs may play in up to 5 Provincial games, provided their total for the season does not exceed 6 games
  - Non-league games (e.g., exhibition or tournament) do not count toward the 6game maximum

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