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House League Tournament Rules 9U-11U-13U-15U-18U

Welcome to the 10th Annual Halton Hills Eagles, House League tournament. Please review these rules and address any questions to the division conveners or the Directors of House League.

Tournament Format

- The tournament format will be Round Robin Type format
- After the round robin is completed, Teams will be seeded for the Championship round. Division Winner's will all advance through and will be seeded based on their records and/or tie-breaker. The 2nd seed from each division will be awarded to the team with the best record and/or tie-breaker.
- Points: 2 Points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 for a loss
- Forfeits: If a team does not have enough players the game will be scored as follows:
 - 9U. 6-0 5 defensive innings played
 - 11U: 6-0 5 defensive innings played
 - 13U: 7-0 5 defensive innings played
 - 15U: 7-0 5 defensive innings played
 - 18U: 7-0 5 defensive innings played

Tie Breaker:

1. If two teams are tied - Head-to-head results between those two teams
2. If three teams are tied (or #1 doesn't declare a winner), then go to runs against (RA)– lowest moves on Average runs against (RA/Defensive/ innings)
3. Coin flip! Rock / paper / scissors to decide who calls! (2 out of 3!)

General Rules

- € Coaches must check into the Registration Table (Fairgrounds, Gellert 1 or TSP 2) - scoresheets will be handed in at the end of the game to the tournament convenor.
- € Managers and coaches are responsible for the conduct of anyone involved with their team during the tournament. **UMPIRE ABUSE WILL NOT BE TOLERATED – THE COACH WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE ENTIRE TOURNAMENT SHOULD THIS OCCUR.**
- € The cooperation of every team is requested to be at the park on time for each game as we are on a tight schedule.
- € Coaches are encouraged to help with diamond setup
- € Game sheet is provided

Tournament Rules

- € Halton Hills House League rules apply for all divisions, unless noted below.
- € Mercy rules apply to round robin and playoffs
 - € 9U
 - Maximum of 5 runs scored per inning.
 - Ahead by 15 runs after 4 complete innings
 - or ahead by 10 runs after 5.
 - € 11U
 - Maximum of 4 runs scored per inning.
 - Ahead by 12 runs after 4 complete innings
 - or ahead by 10 runs after 5.
 - € 15U and 18U
 - Maximum of 5 runs scored per inning.
 - Ahead by 15 runs after 4 complete innings
 - or ahead by 10 runs after 5.
- € Home team will be determined by the schedule. Top seeds for playoffs.

- € Coach of the home team MUST) at the completion of each game text the game sheet which must be signed by both teams. Please print team names carefully and use numerical scores not 1111 format. **(Incomplete score sheets will result in a forfeit)**
- € **No time Limits**
- € For 9U _ 11U and 13U **5 Complete innings** during the regular round robin. The 5th Inning will be an open inning.
- € For 15U **6 complete innings** respectively during the regular round robin. With the 6th inning being an open inning.
- € 18U **7 complete innings** respectively during the regular round robin. With the 7th inning being an open inning.
- € Please note if the home team is in the lead there is no need to play the bottom of the final inning. (Runs For has no impact on the tie breaking)
- € Semi Finals for 9U – will be 6 inning games with 5th and 6th innings being open innings
- € Semi Finals for 15U – will be 6 inning games with the 5th and 6th innings being open innings;
- € **CHAMPIONSHIP:** All games (9U,11U, 13U and 15U) will be 7 innings with no time limit, or until a winner is determined. 6th and 7th innings will be open
- € 18U will play a full 9 inning championship game until a winner is determined. 8th and 9th inning will be open
- € There is to be **NO** infield practice before any games. Please use the grass outfield or the foul territory area of the infield by your team's batter box, or another safe area if time permits.
- € Regular Season Mercy Rules apply.
- € The last out of the inning can be used to run for the catcher with 2 outs.
- € No rainout date has been set. Every effort will be made to complete games as scheduled. Teams should be prepared for delays in the schedule, due to the weather. In the case that rain occurs causing scheduling problems, the tournament committee reserves the right to alter the tournament and playoff format.
- € Any game stopped before being completed (rain, darkness) will be resumed from the point of suspension, when the tournament recommences.

Pitching Regulations

- No pitcher shall pitch more than 6 innings in a calendar day and no more than 11 Innings for the weekend.
- If a pitcher pitches 5 or more innings per day he/she cannot pitch the next day. He/she must have 2 nights rest.
- Any player that assumes the pitching position, even for one pitch, will have that inning count as an inning pitched.
- Innings pitched will be recorded on the game sheet which is signed by both teams.
- Failure to comply with the pitching rules will result in forfeit of said game.
- A player can't pitch and Catch in the same game.
- A pitcher can't pitch more than 3 innings in any single game.

- For 11U-18U – a pitcher will be removed after 3 hit batters

Fair Play – it is expected that players rotate and sit per the house league rules. No one sits twice until every player has sat – and infield and outfield positions should be rotated fairly.