

Clark Griffith Babe Ruth League (16U & 18U)

Fall 2007 Local Option Rules

CANCELLATIONS / POSTPONEMENTS: Responsibility of the home team to notify league representative and the opposing coach as far in advance as possible.

League president: Marty Barker 704-502-2416 cell / 704-423-0030 office info@brd6.org.
District website: www.brd6.org WNC state website: www.wncbr.org

GRACE PERIOD: 15 minutes from the scheduled game time if a team has less than 9 players.

PROTEST PROCEDURE: No protest shall ever be permitted on judgment decisions by an umpire. When a manager claims that an umpire's decision is in violation of the rules he may request a protest. The protest must be announced before another pitch is thrown or a runner has advanced. At that time the umpire shall notify the other umpire and the opposing coach. The protest must be documented in each score book, inning, outs, batter at the plate, base runners and pitcher on the mound. Umpires and coaches should suspend the game and make attempts to contact the league president and resolve the rules protest before going forward with the game. In the event the league president cannot be contacted to resolve the protest the game should continue with the protest documented as described above. No replay of the game will be ordered by the league president unless in his opinion the rules violation adversely affected the protesting team's chances to win the game. The protest is not valid unless these protest procedures are followed.

MINIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS: TEAMS MUST FIELD A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) PLAYERS AT ALL TIMES.

TEN RUN RULE: Mandatory for all games.

TIME LIMITS: Enter umpires game starting time in the home book at the start of the game. No new inning shall begin after 2 hours and 15 minutes from the first pitch. Exceptions: (1) Games starting late because of grace period. – game time is measured from the SCHEDULED starting time. (2) Weather delays – are NOT counted against time limits. (3) A tie game may be played until a winner is decided IF there is no another game scheduled to follow on the same field.

NOTE: if an inning ends close to the time limit, the basis for the decision will be the last out, according to the home plate umpire's watch.

BATTER'S BOX: Batters are not required to remain in the batter's box between pitches. However, it is recommended that players do so as often as possible to help speed up the game.

EXTRA HITTER RULE: If you have 10 or more players, you must bat 10. If you have only 9 players to begin the game, you will not be penalized for not having 10 batters. If you have 10 players and one becomes injured, you will not be penalized for not having 10 batters. If you have 10 players and 1 player is ejected, that position in the batting order will become an out each remaining time through the batting order.

BORROWED PLAYERS: You may borrow any player currently on a fall roster during the pre-season and regular season only. **No borrowing players during post season tournaments.** Borrowed players cannot pitch at any time.

BASEBALLS: Each team to supply 2 new BABE RUTH approved baseballs per game.

REPORT YOUR SCORE! After each game please report your score via email to scores@brd6.org

ALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED UNDER BABE RUTH RULES PER BABE RUTH RULE BOOK.