

## **Playoff Info and Rules (Junior)**

**Format:** we will use double a elimination format.

**Seeding:** teams will be seeded based on regular season final standings;

Regular Season Standings will determine the seed number: Determined by most number of wins. If a tie, then

- a) head to head record; if still tied then
- b) head to head play run differential; if still tied then,
- c) total run differential; if still tied then,
- d) most games played; if still tied then
- e) coin flip

**Rules:** we're using regular season rules along with our local rules, as amended below.

**Home team:** higher seed is home team (#1 seed is highest) in all games.

**Game balls:** each team provides 1 baseball. If more are needed, home team provides.

**Pitching rules:** the limit of 7 innings per week is replaced with this limit: no player may pitch more than 7 innings in any 2 consecutive playoff games. The rest days rule DO still apply during playoffs (i.e., 2 days if > 3 innings).

**Substitutes:** must follow the regular season rules for playing time. All players must play 3 innings in the field and bat at least one time. All players must play 3 innings in the field (including the EH).

**Pool players:** no pool players will be used

**Time Limits:** There are no time limits

**10 run limit:** in effect for the 5th and beyond. Home team must bat unless they are ahead by 10 runs or more.

**Tie Games:** If a tie game is suspended, it will likely be resumed the following day. An early start time may be needed.

**Shortened games (not tied):** If a winner can be determined by using the last complete inning (5th or later), we will use that approach. Otherwise, the game will be resumed the following day.

**Resumed games:** a resumed game picks up where left off with the same lineup, if the pitching rest rule permits.

**8 players:** we will play with 8 players. You must take an out in the 9th spot for the absent player. The other team must loan a player to the short-handed team for defense. If the 9th player arrives, the automatic out is ended. If both teams have 8 players (8vs8), no automatic out is taken; if a 9th player arrives after the game starts, the shorthanded team will take the automatic out. Less than 8 players is a forfeit, this must be approved by the league President.

**Protests:** the protest committee is the league President, Umpire Coordinator, and Junior Division Coordinator. If a protest is lodged, the committee must be

called immediately at 224-5789 (Joe Goldsmith). If the decision can be made immediately, the committee will make its ruling. If a decision cannot be reached immediately, the committee will make its decision after the game. The decision of the committee is final.

**UPDATES :**

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**OPEN :**

- 1) Substitutes - elaborate on whether the official substitute rules must be used (i.e., starter can re-enter one time, etc)
- 2) Shortened games allowed throughout (e.g., if rain/darkness) ?