



2025 12 Yr. Old State Cal Ripken Baseball Tournament

Mustang Baseball Complex – Fields (#1 & #2)

July 31 – August 3, 2025 (2004 Fairway St, Dickinson, ND)



T O U R N A M E N T R U L E S

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Team Check-In

Team Manager **MUST** check-in a minimum of 1 1/2 hours prior to your first scheduled game at Tournament Headquarters which is in the Tournament Officials trailer. 1) Turn in your team's credentials binder at this time. 2) Review Playing Field Ground Rules.

Opening Ceremonies: Friday, August 1 @ approximately 9:00 am. – All teams are required to be in full uniform by 8:30 am.

- 1) Managers are to have lineup cards submitted to the score table 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of the game. (Include: starters first & last name, number, position) (Include: reserves first & last name, number) (Include: Manager/Coaches names). 4 Copies: 1) scorer, 2) home plate umpire, 3) opposing team, 4) your copy.
- 2) The TOP TEAM in Bracket Play will occupy the 3rd base dugout / 2nd TEAM LISTED (BOTTOM TEAM in Bracket Play) will occupy 1st base dugout. If a team plays successive games, they will not change dugouts. Home team will be higher seed in bracket first round. Coin flip will determine home/away after. Pool play home/away, every team will be home for one game and away for another.
- 3) **NO PRE-GAME INFIELD ON THE GAME FIELD.** All pre-game infield will be done on the non-used diamonds. No live hitting on these fields. These practice diamonds will be available for the duration of the preceding game.
- 4) **LIVE HITTING WILL BE IN THE BATTING CAGES.** 3rd Base Dugout will use the North Batting Cage / 1st Base Dugout will use the South Batting Cage. Batting cages are 70' long with a divider net in the middle (two batting stations per cage). Each batting station has a protective pitcher L-Screen. These batting cages will be available for the duration of the preceding game.
- 5) Teams are to be in their respective dugout for pre-game introductions 10 minutes prior to game time. During introductions, teams are to line up just outside their respective foul line when announced (do not stand on the foul line).
- 6) Umpires will enforce all rules and regulations covered in the Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken League, Inc. Baseball Rules and Regulations and Official Playing Rules.
- 7) The **MANAGER** (no coaches or players) will discuss any plays of a controversial nature. The Umpire-in-Chief shall be fully informed of the identity of each team manager.
- 8) Managers, coaches, and players shall wear uniforms according to the Official Baseball Rules. No ragged shirt tails, etc., will be permitted. Protective headgear (double ear flap) must be worn at bat and on the bases. All base coaches are strongly encouraged to wear protective headgear while on the field.
- 9) Equipment – bats, gloves, etc., shall be stacked neatly in their proper place at all times.
- 10) Discarding bats and protective helmets in such a way as to cause possible injury to another player or spectator shall be deemed unsportsmanlike.
- 11) All games must go six (6) innings or 5 ½ if home team is leading.
- 12) The fifteen (15) run rule applies for tournament play after 2 ½ or 3 innings. The ten (10) run rule applies after 3 ½ or 4 innings.
- 13) All protective gear must be worn. Helmets for batters and runners as well as bat boys and girls. Masks, throat protector and cup supporter for catcher.
- 14) Anybody (all inclusive) warming up pitcher must wear a mask (includes bullpen).
- 15) Intentional Walk: Umpire declares ball dead and award batter 1st base – no pitches are delivered.

- 16) No designated hitters or courtesy runners are permitted.
- 17) **EXTRA PLAYER:** A team may elect to add a 10th player to the batting order. Prior to the beginning of the game, this player will be indicated in the line-up as the "EP". The "EP" will be treated as any other starter and cannot be eliminated during the course of the game. If a team's lineup starts with 10 players, the team must finish with 10 players. Penalty shall be a forfeit.
- 18) The Babe Ruth League re-entry rule is in effect for all games (all starters may re-enter one time).
- 19) All players **MUST** have the Cal Ripken Emblem properly displayed on their uniform shoulder or hat.
- 20) No protest on judgment calls, only on rule interpretations. Game will stop until protest is ruled on. Any protest of an incident must be made immediately after the incident. Once a pitch has been thrown following said incident, the incident can no longer be protested.
- 21) Only fifteen (15) players, one (1) manager, and three (3) coaches allowed in the dugout. One (1) bat person also is allowed. He/she must be identified and wear a helmet. **NO ONE ELSE IS ALLOWED IN DUGOUT!**
- 22) Jewelry is prohibited. Players shall not wear jewelry. Medical alert and religious bracelets or necklaces are not considered jewelry. If worn, they must be taped to the body so as to remain visible.

Medical Assistance

As of now, we do not have a trainer on site. We ask teams to plan accordingly in case we do not have medical assistance. We have notified the local police department and EMT to be on standby, and will have ice and other general first aid supplies readily available.

GROUND RULES:

- **Dugout roof edge above fence line is OB. Dugout entrance: Play is dead once player steps on the dugout concrete floor. If ball hits off concrete lip/agri-lime junction of dugout floor and remains in play, it is live.**

PITCHING RULES: **Penalty is FORFEIT of the game.**

- **Maximum pitches in a day = 85**
- **Rest Period: 1-40 Pitches = 0 Days / 41-65 Pitches = 1 Day / 66+ Pitches = 2 Days**

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY:

- **North Dakota Babe Ruth has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy for parents and spectators.**
- **Parents / Spectators using inappropriate and disruptive behavior shall be included, but not limited to: Use of obscene or vulgar language in a boisterous manner to anyone at any time.**
- **Taunting of players, coaches, officials, umpires or other spectators by means of baiting, ridiculing, and / or threat of physical violence or actual physical violence.**

PENALTY:

- **If an umpire, NDBRD representative or tournament official observes a parent / spectator displaying inappropriate and disruptive behavior that interferes with other spectators or the game, the umpire, NDBRD representative or tournament official will stop the game and identify violators to the team manager, coaches for the purpose of removing parents / spectators from the spectator's viewing and game area.**
- **Once removed, the game will resume. In addition, these same disciplinary provisions are in effect before and after games.**
- **Violators may be subject to further disciplinary actions by local governing body and North Dakota Babe Ruth Baseball.**