

U8 Coach Pitch

Rules and Regulations

Grade at registration – 1st and 2nd, (older 2nd graders may opt to play up)

1. Typically Monday nights in Brooklyn at Legion Park, end of May through July. Coaches may opt for additional practices at the teams discretion and field availability.
2. Teams are announced at the end of April/early May. All coaches are volunteer. This is primarily an in-house league with some possible participation from close neighboring communities. Travel would be very minimal.
3. Equipment needed:
 - a. Glove
 - b. Softball/soccer cleats are recommended
 - c. Balls are provided (10" softie softball)
 - d. There are helmets and bats available to use if you don't have your own
4. Game length: no new innings started after 70 minutes
5. Hitting: 5 pitches, if no hit, then hit off the tee. No walks
6. Coach or Assistant coach will pitch. An ump for the bases will be provided, otherwise a parent volunteer can ump the bases (close call/tie goes to the runner)
7. Must wear a helmet to bat and run the bases
8. If a player gets out, they go back to the dugout
9. Play stops when the ball gets back to the pitcher
10. Inning ends with 3 outs or once through the batting order
11. Batting order stays the same for the whole game (but should change game to game)
12. Fielding: players shouldn't play the outfield two innings in a row, rotate positions each inning. Can play with 4 in the outfield, and 1 player at the pitchers position as the coach pitching will not field the ball.
13. Coaches are allowed on the field for defensive assistance and coaching
14. Once the team has been introduced to the proper catching mechanics, a player may choose to catch during a game, and must wear helmet, facemask, and chest protector.

Goal

At this level, our goal is to have fun while adding more elements to their game for continued development. Focuses should be on expanding their knowledge of hitting, base running, throwing, and defense; with an introduction to the basics of pitching and catching.

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