

GYBA 48 BASEBALL PROGRAM

D1 RULE HANDBOOK

PURPOSE

The GYBA 48 Baseball Program is the **Division I (D1)** level of Georgetown Youth Baseball Association (GYBA), serving players in **8U–14U**. The program provides opportunities to compete in approved outside tournaments while maintaining commitment to GYBA league play.

Participation in the 48 Program is a privilege and requires compliance with all GYBA rules, policies, and obligations.

1. LEAGUE SCOPE

- The 48 Baseball Program is the **D1 division of GYBA** for 8U–14U.
 - All 48 players, coaches, and teams remain members of GYBA and must represent the organization with integrity and sportsmanship.
 - A player may be on **one GYBA baseball roster** during the season.
 - All GYBA Rules & Operating Procedures apply unless specifically addressed in this handbook.
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2. TEAM REGISTRATION & UNIFORMS

Official Team Name

All tournament registrations must use the official GYBA team name.

Approved: GYBA Eagles • GYBA Rangers

Not Approved: GT Eagles • GTX Eagles • Georgetown Eagles

Teams may not compete under an alternate organization or team name while representing GYBA.

Uniforms

All 48 teams must clearly display **GYBA** on the player's jersey or uniform in a league-approved location.

3. TOURNAMENT COMMUNICATION

Teams must communicate tournament participation to their Division Commissioner in a timely manner, including:

- Tournament name
- Location
- Dates
- Roster, if requested

This allows GYBA to coordinate schedules and ensure league compliance.

4. GYBA OBLIGATIONS

Participation in the 48 Program does **not** replace a team's responsibilities to GYBA.

Teams, coaches, and players must fulfill all applicable GYBA obligations, including:

- League game participation
- Volunteer and concession requirements
- Fundraising requirements, when applicable
- Board-approved commitments
- All GYBA rules and policies

Failure to meet GYBA obligations may result in **suspension from the 48 Program, removal from GYBA-sponsored tournaments, ineligibility for future participation, or other Board-approved disciplinary action.**

5. PLAYER PICK-UP POLICY

A GYBA 48 player may participate as a guest/pick-up player for another **GYBA 48 team** only when:

- The player's primary Head Coach gives prior approval.
- The required **Coach Approval Form** is completed before participation.
- The player remains in good standing with GYBA.

A player may not participate for another team without prior approval.

Coach Approval Form

The form must include, at minimum:

Player Name • Primary Team • Guest Team • Tournament • Tournament Dates • Head Coach Approval • Date of Approval

6. D2 PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

D2 players are NOT eligible to participate in GYBA 48/Select tournaments.

If a D2 player participates:

1. The player and coach will be notified that the player is ineligible.
 2. The incident will be documented.
 3. Any additional participation after notification may result in the player being removed from their GYBA team for the remainder of the season, subject to Board review.
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7. NON-GYBA SELECT TEAM PARTICIPATION

Players participating in the GYBA 48 Program are expected to represent GYBA during tournament play.

Participation with a **non-GYBA Select team** during the season may result in disciplinary action.

First Offense

- Written warning to the player and parent/guardian
- Coach notification
- Incident documented by GYBA

Second Offense

- Player may be removed from the GYBA 48 Program and/or GYBA team for the remainder of the season, subject to review by the Vice President of Baseball and Board of Directors.
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8. ENFORCEMENT

The **Vice President of Baseball, Division Directors, Commissioners, and GYBA Board of Directors** are responsible for enforcing this handbook.

Any situation not specifically addressed will be reviewed by the Board of Directors. **The Board's decision is final.**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Participation in the GYBA 48 Baseball Program signifies that players, parents/guardians, and coaches have read, understand, and agree to follow the policies and expectations outlined in this handbook.

Player Name: _____

Team: _____

Player/Parent Signature: _____

Coach Signature: _____

Date: _____