



Mason City Youth Baseball

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AVS and MCYBA Tournament Rules

1. Each age group will play 3 games (weather permitting) format may be different for each age bracket.
2. Seedings/pairings will be posted for each bracket.
3. A coin flip will determine the home team for all games except for bracket play. The higher seed will be the home team in bracket play.
4. May 1st will be used as the cut-off date to determine age eligibility for the tournament.
5. Tie breaking priority: head-to-head, runs allowed, run differential, runs scored, and coin flip.
6. Rosters must be turned into the tournament director before the first game is played and cannot be hung during the tournament. Please check in your roster when you arrive at the registration table.
7. Each team must supply their own balls.
8. Each game will have a 1 hour 45 minute time limit; no inning will start after 1 hour and 40 minutes in attempts to stay on schedule. However, ties will be played out until a winner is determined. No time limit for championship games.
9. Each team will get a runner at 2b and 3b with one out to start each extra inning. The last two batters of the previous inning will be the base runners at 2b and 3b.
10. Teams may bat their entire lineup, no d.h., no e.h., unlimited defensive substitutes in the field. Lineups submitted will dictate once the game begins (regular offensive substitution apply).
11. Open base for all age divisions as per USSSA rules except 8u & 9u. Players can lead off and steal all bases including home.
12. The 8u & 9u divisions will play with a closed home plate. The base runner must be hit or walked in. In the 8u & 9u divisions base runners can't leave the base until the pitch crosses the plate. A dropped 3rd strike is the same as a caught 3rd strike in the 8u & 9u division.
13. Players may attempt to advance to 1b on a dropped 3rd strike in all age divisions except 8u & 9u.
14. All divisions will play 6 inning games.
15. Run rules : 12 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 innings, and 8 after 5 innings.



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16. All team members must have numbers on their jerseys or t-shirts (shirts should be of the same color).
17. Pitching rules: all divisions - 3 per game, 6 per day, 10 for tournament (innings).
18. The tournament director reserves the right to change the tournament format due to weather or scheduling conflicts.

DIVISION	BASE PATH	PITCHING DISTANCE
8U	60'	40'
9U	65'	46'
10U	65'	46'
11U	70'	50'
12U	70'	50'
13U	80'	54'
14U	80'	54'