



Cloverdale Minor Baseball

9U Andrews Invitational Rules

- *[Rules wixx . GC II follow section 31.03 of the BC Minor Rule Book. The rules below are overrides and/or additional rules for the purposes of the tournament]*

Tournament Rules

1. The BC Minor Code of Conduct applies.
[Bad mouthing umpires will not be tolerated by parents or coaches. If there is a problem, both coaches can talk to the umpire in a non-threatening way. The umpire's decision will be final. If an umpire misses a rule call, both coaches are to wait till the end of an inning to go and discuss a call with the umpire (they're learning too).]
2. Fair Play rules - If a team inadvertently violates these rules, the opposing coach should point out the issue to make sure the violating coach is aware. If a coach blatantly violates the rules in a tournament, in an attempt to gain an advantage, an ejection and potentially a forfeit will result at the discretion of the tournament committee. A forfeit will be the last resort as the kids are there to play the game.
3. Any pitcher that hits 3 batters must be removed from the pitching mound. This overrides the BC Minor rule of 2 batters.
4. Home team is decided by a coin toss, unless specified in the tournament schedule. Home team in semi-finals and the finals will be decided by a coin toss.
5. A mercy rule of 10 runs after 4 innings (or 3.5 innings if the home team is leading) will apply.
6. A time limit of 1 hour and 45 minutes will apply to all round robin games.
7. Maximum run limit of 4 runs per inning, with the last inning being "open" having a 10 run maximum limit.
8. In round robin games, after a complete inning if the game is within 20 minutes of the time limit, the umpires will declare the next inning to be an open inning. If the open inning finishes before the time limit expires, then an additional open inning shall be played. There is no guarantee of an open inning.
9. There will be no time limit in the semi-final games, or the final. The final game will start 1 hour after the completion of the semi-finals (the tournament schedule will just be an approximation).
10. Fair play rules for # of times in a position will not apply in extra-innings. However, even in extra innings, players may not sit two innings in a row.
11. The home team will not take their last bats if they are leading going into the bottom half of the final inning. If in their last at bat the home team goes ahead (therefore winning the game), the game will end.
12. Tie breakers as per BC Minor Rules.
[Statistics are calculated based on the teams that are tied with each other, and not all of the teams in the competition.]



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If the first part of the rule places one team above others in the case of three or more teams involved in the tie, but the remaining teams are still tied, then the remaining parts of the rule are applied using statistics from the matches involving all of the original teams in the tie.

- (a) The team with the best win/loss record in the game(s) played between the tied teams will place higher in the standings.*
- (b) If the tie persists, the placement of teams will be dictated by the ratio of number of runs allowed per defensive inning. A defensive inning is defined as having taken the field and a pitch thrown.*
- (c) If the tie persists, the placement of teams will be dictated by the ratio of runs scored per offensive inning. An offensive inning is defined as having been at bat for at least one pitch.*
- (d) If the tie persists, then the team with the best won/loss record against the highest placed team not in the tie, followed by a comparison to the next placed team, etc., will place higher in the standings.*

If after the application of the four rules, there still remains a tie, then the four rules will be reapplied to the remaining tied teams, except that the statistics will be based on the games between only the remaining tied teams, and not all of the teams in the original tie.]

13. Home team is required to keep score in the official score book, and after the game must promptly return the scorebook to the tournament information table.
14. One MVP will be selected from each team for each game.
15. Trophies awarded to 1st and 2nd place teams.
16. All teams must provide a pitching log for the current week at the beginning of the tournament.
17. In the event of a protest, the tournament committee will review and make the ruling.
18. Birth certificates must be available upon request by the tournament committee.