



**PROSPECT PARK BASEBALL ASSOCIATION - KEY REGULAR
SEASON RULES
(Not Tournament Rules)**

BASEBALL

| REGULAR SEASON | CUBS | BANTAM | SUPER BANTAM | GRASSHOPPER | FRESHMEN |
|--|--|---|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Length of Game / Last Inning Start Time</i> | 6 innings or no new inning after 1 hr 50 mins from start time; if inning began before 1:50 game must still end exactly 2 hrs from start time | | 7 innings or no new inning after 1 hr 50 mins from start time; if inning began before 1:50 game must still end exactly 2 hrs from start time | | |
| <i>Mercy Rule</i> | 5 Runs for 1st 3 Innings, Unlimited Each Inning Thereafter subject to 12 run lead after 4 innings | | | 12 Runs after 5 inns | |
| <i>Defensive Players (Total allowed)</i> | 10 - 4 in outfield | | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| <i>Balls if Bases Loaded</i> | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| <i>Leading & Stealing</i> | When catcher has possession of ball | East, West & South - when ball crosses plate; North-Any time-MLB rule | Any time-MLB rule | Any time-MLB rule | Any time-MLB rule |
| <i>Steal Home</i> | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| <i>Balk Rule Applies</i> | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| <i>Infield Fly Rules Applies</i> | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| <i>Pitching Limits: 1st 2 Scheduled Saturdays</i> | 2 inn/game | 2 inn/game | 3 inn/game | 3 inn, 4 if 7 inn | No Limit |
| <i>Pitching Limits: Starting 3rd Saturday</i> | 3 inn/game | 3 inn/game | 4 inn/game | 6 inn/game | No Limit |
| <i>Remove Pitcher as Pitcher after hitting batters</i> | 2 in same inning, 3 in game | | | | No Limit |
| <i>Bat</i> | Wood or Composite Wood Only (no limit on size or type of wood) | | | | |
| <i>Batting Order</i> | Universal | | | | 9 + optional Extra Player |
| <i>Base Distance</i> | 60' | 70' | 80' | 90' | 90' |
| <i>Pitching Distance</i> | 43' | 47'6" | 54" | 60'6" | 60'6" |
| <i>Must Use Courtesy 1st Base</i> | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| <i>Balls Permitted</i> | DeBeers 93, 93B; Rawling BRO-1, Wilson 1082 | | | | A1010 or OLB5 |
| <i>Games Played on Grass</i> | No Stealing and No Dropped 3rd Strikes; No spectators or players within 60' of home plate | | | | |
| <i>Dropped 3rd Strike</i> | No | only North | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| <i>Sliding</i> | Not head first (except back to a previously acquired base); slide or avoid contact unless arrive same time at base | | | | |
| <i>Run for Catcher if 2 outs</i> | Required, to be replaced by last batter to make out at bat or on base | | | | |
| <i>Safety Rules</i> | Defibrillators are required at all practices and games on Parks Dept fields. All pitchers MUST wear head protection. | | | | |
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