

# Rec World Series Rules: May 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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## **6U Rec Division**

Rosters are Verified from Home Association as **ALL RECREATIONAL PLAYERS** prior to start of the Rec WS

- No player shall be allowed to play, or guest play, or fill in, etc. that was NOT vetted by the Home Association and entered into the team's roster prior to the Rec WS

Base Distance is 50'

Pitching Distance is 40' (max) or floating (as needed). PITCHER PLAYER Must be 40'

Game Length is 60 Minutes or 5 Innings

Max Runs per ½ inning is 5

Run Rules Apply

- 16 after 3
- 11 after 4
- 6 after 5

Offense bats the Full Roster. (If a rostered player is there {in uniform} they bat in continual order.)

- If removed by injury, no automatic out, suppress the line up and play on.
- If removed by ejection, an automatic out is called at each scheduled at bat.
- Regarding Ejections: If a coach is removed by ejection, he is to leave the facility and it is a "plus 1"; meaning ejected for the current game, plus 1 additional game (coaches, DO NOT put yourself in a position to be ejected)

Defense fields 6 infield positions and 4 outfield positions (10 players max on the field)

- No player may sit the bench more than two (2) innings
- Each player must play one (1) inning in the infield and outfield within the first three (3) innings
- No player may play the same infield position more than three (3) innings
- Coaches shall exchange lineup cards/batting order and defensive lineup covering the first three (3) innings with infield positions highlighted

Compression (Safety) Baseballs are used for game play

Bats must be stamped USSSA 1.15 BPF or USA Baseball stamped

Game Play

- Max of two bases on balls hit to the outfield, baserunners advance at their own peril (max of two bases)
- Max of one base on balls hit to the infield
- No bases may be advanced on overthrows
- No leads, baserunners must be in contact with the base at the time the batter contacts the baseball
- Obstruction – Defensive players, when not in motion to field a ball, shall NOT block the base paths impeding the baserunner. At the umpire's discretion, the obstructed runner may be awarded an additional base (not exceeding the two-base max)
- Offensive Coaches: first and third base and a coach, and a coach may be behind home plate to retrieve baseballs (Please note: retrieving baseballs is NOT the umpire's job)
- Defensive Coaches: Down the LF and RF lines in foul territory at least 20' from first base or third base (no defensive coaches on the field of play during GAME PLAY, between innings is fine to establish positions, etc.

- Outfielders must be positioned “in the grass”
- No new inning starts once game time of 60 minutes is reached
  - Ties allowed in pool play
  - Bracket play games must have a winner (see tie breaker below)
- Defensive outs occur as “tag outs”, “force outs” “caught fly balls”, etc., as per normal baseball rules

#### Pitching

- Max of five (5) pitches shall be thrown
  - No STRIKE OUT within the 5 pitches
- After five (5) pitches:
  - batter may make two (2) attempts off the tee to hit a fair ball
  - If no fair ball is hit off the tee and the batter is declared out

**OR**

  - Offensive team may choose a 6<sup>th</sup> pitch (no continual pitch if fouled) vs going to the tee
- Coach Pitcher may stand or kneel, but must throw overhand, and may NOT coach the batter or baserunners and must leave the field of play immediately after the ball is batted
  - A batted ball that hits the pitcher is a dead ball, and is counted as a pitch/foul ball

#### Protective Gear / Helmets

- The use of protective gear by the player pitcher shall be determined by the individual team’s home association (some require Face Protection, or Chest Protection, or both, some require neither). Each team shall follow their home associations safety protocol.
- Helmets shall be worn by ALL Batters, Baserunners, and On-Deck batters
- Full Catchers gear is also required

Official Scorer = Home Team

Bunting = is NOT allowed

Infield Fly Rule = Is NOT in effect

Ties Allowed in Pool Play = YES

Ties Allowed in Bracket Play = NO

- Tie Breaker used in bracket play is the Texas Tie Breaker = Bases Loaded with one (1) out and the three previous batters to the scheduled batter are placed on the bases (*they are placed on the bases as if they had been walked; e.g., if the 4 hole is due up then the leadoff batter would be placed on 3B, the second batter placed on 2B and the third hole placed on 1B*). After the runners are assigned to their bases, ONE (1) OUT is declared, and “Play Ball”. Each team does this until we have a winner.