

Wyandotte Braves
8U HB RULES

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The 8U Division is an instructional league with an emphasis on teaching the players the skills and techniques needed for the next step to the 10U division. The 8U division will follow all Wyandotte Braves Baseball rules with these exceptions.

- 1) No player will play the same position more than once per game. Exception will be at first base where a player may play no more than two consecutive innings.
- 2) Pitching distance is 40 feet. Base distance is 60 feet.
- 3) A player may advance bases as long as the ball is in the outfield grass. Once the ball makes it back to the infield the player must stop at the next base.
- 4) The home team shall be in charge of time. The head coach shall coordinate the start time with the opposing team head coach.
- 5) The catcher must squat behind the plate and not kneel on one or both knees.
- 6) Stealing is not allowed.
- 7) Intentional walks are not allowed.
- 8) A player from the defensive team is the pitcher. Pitchers are limited to pitching a maximum of 2 innings per game.
- 9) The home team is to supply a single umpire to officiate the game. The umpire can position behind the catcher or the pitcher. Balls and strikes are lenient. Stress if the pitched ball can be reached by the batter than it will be called a strike.
- 10) The team official will call the game using the standard 4 balls / 3 strike count.
- 11) Travesty rule for runs scored. The offensive (batting) team is limited to scoring 5 runs per inning. When tie, can score 5 runs. When already leading, can score 5 runs. When losing, can score 5 runs.
- 12) Games will be a maximum of five (5) innings. An inning will end with either three outs occurring or when the offensive team gets 5 runs scored in the inning. The games have a one hour and 30 minute (1:30) time limit with a drop dead limit of 2 hours. This means no inning shall commence after the 1 hour 30 minute mark from first pitch; and game will end at the 120 minute mark from first pitch. If game hits drop dead limit, game score reverts back to the last complete inning.
- 13) Teams will utilize 10 players defensively, with the tenth player as being an additional outfielder not a rover.

*At the end of the year tournament all rules will be followed with the exception of Rule #1.