

2025 Battle on the Bay Tournament Rules



	9U/10U	11U/12U	13U/14U
Base Distance	60'	60'	75' 13U / 90' 15U
Pitching Distance	46'	46'	54' 13U / 60' 15U
Game Length	6 innings	6 innings	7 innings
Time – No Inning to Start After	No new inning to start after 1 hour 15 minutes (except Championship)	No new inning to start after 1 hour 15 minutes (except Championship)	No new inning to start after 1 hour 30 minutes (except Championship)
Lead Offs	No	No	Yes
Stealing	Once Ball Crosses Plate	Once Ball Crosses Plate	Yes
Drop Third Strike	No	Yes	Yes
Mercy Rule	15 after 3 10 after 4	15 after 3 10 after 4	15 after 3 10 after 4
Cleats	Rubber	Rubber	Rubber or Metal
Bunts	Yes	Yes	Yes
Line Up	9 in field Roster Bat or Lineup Bat***	9 in field Roster Bat or Lineup Bat***	9 in field Roster Bat or Lineup Bat***
Pitching Max	3 innings/game (1 pitch equals an inning)	3 innings/game (1 pitch equals an inning)	4 innings/game (1 pitch equals an inning)
Balks	No	No	Yes. Runners advance one base.
Intentional Walk	Yes. The defensive Team Manager must signal to the home plate umpire to intentionally walk the batter.	Yes. The defensive Team Manager must signal to the home plate umpire to intentionally walk the batter.	Yes. The defensive Team Manager must signal to the home plate umpire to intentionally walk the batter.
Courtesy Runner, Pitcher, Catcher	<p>If the catcher is on base with 2 outs, a courtesy runner may be used to speed up the game.</p> <p>A courtesy runner is allowed for any injured player. Courtesy runner will be the player who made the last out.</p>	<p>If catcher is on base with 2 outs, a courtesy runner may be used to speed up the game.</p> <p>A courtesy runner is allowed for any injured player. Courtesy runner will be the player who made the last out.</p>	<p>If catcher is on base with 2 outs, a courtesy runner may be used to speed up the game.</p> <p>A courtesy runner is allowed for any injured player. Courtesy runner will be the player who made the last out.</p>
Stealing Home	Yes	Yes	Yes (Headfirst sliding allowed)
Bats	USA Baseball & USSSA Baseball	USA Baseball & USSSA Baseball	Up to a drop -10 is allowed. USSSA or USA Bats allowed.
Infield Fly	Yes	Yes	Yes

Coaching	1 Coaches visit to mound per inning. Second trip in same inning requires pitching change.	1 Coaches visit to mound per inning. Second trip in same inning requires pitching change.	1 Coaches visit to mound per inning. Second trip in same inning requires pitching change.
Player Eligibility	Age is based on the players age on May 1st of this year	Age is based on the players age on May 1st of this year	Age is based on the players age on May 1st of this year
Awards	1 st place Trophies 2 nd place Medals	1 st place Trophies 2 nd place Medals	1 st place Trophies 2 nd place Medals
Format	Pool Play & Single Elimination	Pool Play & Single Elimination	Pool Play & Single Elimination
Tie-breakers for seeding (Pool games can end in a tie)	Record Head-to-Head Runs Allowed Runs Scored Coin Flip	Record Head-to-Head Runs Allowed Runs Scored Coin Flip	Record Head-to-Head Runs Allowed Runs Scored Coin Flip
Bracket Play Tie-Breaker	California Tie-Breaker - Each team places the runner that made the last out on 2nd base with 1 out until a winner is determined.	California Tie-Breaker - Each team places the runner that made the last out on 2nd base with 1 out until a winner is determined.	California Tie-Breaker - Each team places the runner that made the last out on 2nd base with 1 out until a winner is determined.

General Game Rules

- Pledge of Allegiance to be said before first game of the day on each field.
- The home and visiting teams will be decided by a coin toss prior to the start of each game.
- 1 minute limit warm-up between innings
- New Pitcher - 8 pitches
- Runners **must slide** on close plays. Umpires' judgment to call the runner out if the runner does not slide.
- Home team is the official scorekeeper and must turn in score to Marinette Youth Baseball representative/coach at the end of the game at their respective field.
- All teams **must** be at the ball field 60 minutes prior to the start of the game. If games get ahead of schedule, we will start games earlier.
- Home team will be the higher seed in single elimination brackets.
- ***9U-14U A team may bat their entire roster or bat only their lineup. An extra hitter (EH) is allowed and must be announced at the start of the game. If a team bats nine players (or 10 with EH), any starter may re-enter a game once, as long as he returns to his original batting position in the line-up. Batting order must not change during the game.

Field Locations

9/10U & 11/12U

Cal Ripken Sports Complex
2121 Cleveland Ave
Marinette, WI 54143

Kimberly Clark Field
Sequin Field
Hoagland Field

13U & 14U

Pedersen Ball Fields
1401 Ridge St.
Marinette, WI 54143

Lacourt Field
Haase Field

Adverse Weather

All efforts will be made to play all games. By entering the tournament, you acknowledge that the Tournament Director for each division shall have final say to all schedule changes. Four innings will be considered a complete game. Games start/re-start 20 minutes after the last sight of lightning.

Concessions

Concessions will be available at both locations.