

2017 Koa BABL Rules

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Grade (Age)	3rd-4th Grade (10U)	5th-6th Grade (12U)	7th-8th Grade (14U)
Game Organizational Structure			
Arrival Time	Players are to arrive for pre-game 60 mins sharp prior to first pitch. Games last for 6 innings or drop dead at 120 mins (which ever comes first). No new inning after 100 mins.	Players are to arrive for pre-game 45 mins sharp prior to first pitch. Games last for 6 innings or drop dead at 130 mins (which ever comes first). No new inning after 110 mins.	Players are to arrive for pre-game 45 mins sharp prior to first pitch. Games last for 7 innings or drop dead at 130 mins (which ever comes first). No new inning after 110
Innings	Single games will be 6 innings, double headers will be 5 innings.	Single games will be 6 innings, double headers will be 5 innings.	Single games will be 7 innings, double headers will be 6 innings.
Mercy Rule	The mercy rule is in effect if the home team is ahead by 12 or more runs after 3 1/2 innings.		The mercy rule is in effect if the home team is ahead by 12 or more runs after 4 1/2 <u>innings</u> .
Batting Order/Line Up	Each player will be in the batting order (playoffs is coaches' discretion). Each must player must play at least 3 innings (unless there is a mercy rule), Players cannot sit out more than 2 consecutive innings.		
#Players	You must start the game with at least 8 players to have an official game. The 9th position in the batting order will NOT be an automatic out. In the case of an injured player, his spot in the batting order will NOT be an automatic out.		
Base Coaches	A Koa coach will be coaching third base, a Parent Assistant Coach (PAC) will coach 1st base.		
Diamond Size	Home to first and base to base is 60 feet. Home to the pitching rubber is 46 feet. Home to Second is 84.75 feet	Home to first and base to base is 70 feet. Home to the pitching rubber is 50 feet. Home to Second is 99 feet	Home to first and base to base is 90 feet. Home to the pitching rubber is 60 feet 6 in. Home to Second is ~127.4 feet
Inning Run Limit	Unlimited		
Umpires	One Professional contracted umpire will assume control 5 minutes before the game.	Two Professional contracted umpires will assume control 5 minutes before the game.	
Motion Guidelines			
Sliding	Base runners must (if advancing to a base) slide feet first. If a player is retreating back to a base he may slide head first.	Base runners may slide head or feet first into any base except for home. A foot first slide is required going into home plate and runner must avoid contact.	
Stealing/Bunting	Stealing of second and third is permitted after the ball crosses home plate. Stealing home will NOT be allowed, except on an overthrow back to the pitcher. Bunting is permitted at any time.	Stealing and bunting are permitted at any time.	

Bats	There are NO bat restrictions in the Koa BABL League. Both big barrel and small barrel bats will be allowed.		
Pitching	Players may pitch a maximum of 3 innings per game and 6 innings per week.	Players may pitch a maximum of 4 innings per game and 7 innings per week.	Players may pitch a maximum of 5 innings per game and 85 pitches per week.
Leading	Leading is not allowed at any time.	Leading is allowed at any time.	
Balks	Not in effect.	During the regular season each pitcher will receive one warning before a balk is called. In the post season there will be no warnings.	
Bat Throwing	Each team will receive one warning on bat throwing. The second offense can result in ejection, this the umpire's authority.		
Dropped Third Strike	The batter is out immediately after a third strike is called.	The drop third strike rule is in effect.	
Infield Fly	Not in effect.	Will be in effect.	
Speed up Play	When a catcher is on base with two outs, the player who made the last batted out shall substitute in for the catcher in order to expedite play.		
End of Play	Is declared completed when the umpire calls time.		
Malicious Play	A player who intentionally institutes aggressive contact while sliding into a base or otherwise shall be ejected from the game.		
Scorekeeping	The home team will keep the official book and report the score to Koa mgmt.		
Overthrows	When the ball is overthrown and out of play, the runner is awarded one extra base.		
Required Equipment			
Batting Gear	All batters must wear a two flap batting helmet.		
Catcher's Gear	All Catchers must be equipped with a protective cup, chest protector, shin guards, and two-piece face mask.		
Game Balls	Koa will provide a suitable game balls for play. AD Starr 300 is the standard game ball.		
Uniforms	All players must be clothed with a Koa hat, Koa jersey, socks, and baseball pants every game. Protective cups are recommend for all players. Only rubber cleats are permitted.		
Miscellaneous			
Weather	If at any time there is thunder or lightening, the game is postponed for 30 mins from the last bolt. Fields will not be used when there is standing water. County government guidelines for field closures will be followed, NO exceptions.		