



## Suburban Athletics Inc.

**11-12 Year Olds Baseball Tournament: June 22-24, 2012**

**9-10 Year Olds Baseball Tournament: July 6-8, 2011**

**O'Hauser Park – Town of Menasha, WI**

### Tournament Rules:

1. Each game will be 6 innings in length – 10 run rules after 4 innings.
2. No inning can start after 1 hour 30 minutes from the start of the game. Time limit does not apply to the Championship Games
3. Coin flip will determine home team, except for the championship game. The higher the seeded team will be the home team for the championship game, based upon the tie breakers.
4. Nine players play in the field defensively. Batting order consists of those 9 players. Any of the starting players may be withdrawn and re-entered once during the game provided they return to the same spot in the batting order. If there is an **injury** to a player and everyone has already played, any player can re-enter the game again – taking the injured player's spot in the order.
5. You can **bat your whole roster if you want**, but the way you start the game you must finish it. If a player shows up after the batting order is called for, they go to the bottom of the order.
6. All substitutions must be reported to the official scorekeeper prior to entering the game. **Home team is official scorekeeper.**
7. **NO INFIELD FLY RULE.**
8. Batter may not square to bunt, then pull back and swing away. Batter will be out and the play will be dead.
9. On an overthrow to a base, the runners can get all the bases they can. If it goes out of play, the runner gets the base they are running to plus one additional base.
10. Base stealing is allowed after the pitch crosses the plate.
11. Stealing home **will be** allowed. Whether a throw back to the pitcher from the catcher or from the catcher to any base (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> base). **Runners must slide**

- feet first into home plate and into all bases** on close plays. If not, it will be the umpire's decision as to whether the runner is out or safe. A head-first slide is allowed back to the base only.
12. Pitchers are allowed 5 pitches between innings – 8 for a new pitcher.
  13. Trips to the mound by a manager or coach **may not** exceed 1 per inning. The second trip shall automatically result in the removal of the pitcher. A pitcher removed may not pitch in the same game.
  14. Pitchers are limited to – **3 innings per game and 9 innings for the tournament.** Once a pitcher is removed from the game, they may no longer pitch in that game. One pitch thrown in an inning constitutes one inning pitched. There are no balks.
  15. **Only the manager may discuss a decision with the umpire. The umpires will be treated with respect by players, coaches & FANS! Coaches will be held responsible for their fans. If fans, players or coaches' behavior becomes an issue, that team may forfeit that game and possible all remaining games.**
  16. **UMPIRES DECISIONS ARE FINAL**, including all protests.
  17. Tournament officials reserve the right to change the format or rules to weather or other circumstances.
  18. Bat restrictions are 2 ¼" barrel, maximum length 32".
  19. California rules will be applied if game is tied after 6 innings, excluding championship game.