

## Pee Wee Baseball - Spring 2021

Rules in this section apply to the pee wee division (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades)

### **General Rules**

- Games will be played as real baseball
- 4 infielders, 4 outfielders, a pitcher and a catcher. First to drop will be the pitcher position if you don't have enough players
- All players must rotate positions every inning; an opportunity must be provided for all player to try/learn different positions throughout each game
- Coaches will pitch to their own team; 1 coach as a pitcher and 1 other coach in the field as needed
- Coaches will serve as umpires
- Teachable moments during games are encouraged; coaches from both teams are expected to explain game related situations to all players when possible

### **Rosters**

- Each roster has a minimum of 10 players when registration numbers allow
- Pee Wee Division will not hold a draft; players will be divided amongst teams by HBSA Board by grade
- A team will be permitted to play with eight (8) players. If/when a ninth player shows up, they must be placed into the ninth spot in the batting order.
- All players on the roster must play a minimum of three (3) full innings in all regular season six (6) inning games

### **Length of Play**

- Games will be 6 innings and there is no overall run rule for this division.
- Innings will be limited to 3 outs, or one time through the lineup, whichever comes first.
- There will be a time limit of 1 hour and 45 minutes

### **Batting**

- All players in attendance at a game must bat.
- All players are required to use USA stamped/approved bats only
- All players in attendance must bat; batters must bat in the same order throughout the game
- Batters will get 5 pitches or 3 swinging strikes, whichever comes first
- No walks

### **Base Running**

- No leading or stealing
- No sliding
- On a ball hit to the outfield, players are allowed to advance past first base

### **Equipment/Safety**

- All games will be played on field with 60 foot bases
- All players must wear uniform and hat provided and baseball plants in the color associated with the team which they are on.
- All players are required to wear a batting helmet while batting and on the bases. Helmets with face guards are required
- All players are required to wear a protective cup and heart guard
- Any player who is catching must wear a catcher's helmet, chest protector and shin guards in order to catch in a game
- All players are required to wear cleats