

Bianco Wood Bat Instructional League Rules Age/Pitching/Base Distances

8u ~ Coach Pitch / 60' Bases ~ 7 Pitches

10u ~ 46/65 ~ No Leading-Only steal when ball crosses plate

12u ~ 50/70 One warning on a Balk per Pitcher

13u ~ 54/80 One warning on a Balk per Pitcher

Max of 5 Runs per inning

General Information:

- Each team is given a half hour of cage time before each game.
- 6U and 8U games will be played for 1 hour, 10U, 12U and 13U games will be 1:30
- All games will revert back to the last inning played if time expires mid inning. *Ex. If a game is 1 - 0 in favor of the home team and the away team scores two runs in the top half of the inning but time doesn't allow the home team to hit, the final score would be 1 - 0.*
- No Stealing home for any age group, this includes first and third plays. *Ex. If a player steals second, a runner on third is **NOT** allowed to advance to home. On a live ball already in play, a player can advance from third to home, but once already established at third, may not steal home. *Ex: Runner has large lead and the catcher overthrows third base on a throw over, runner cannot advance home.**
- One base can be advanced on overthrows, runners may advance one base on throwing errors. Runners on base where a play is not being made must be at least 3 quarters of the way to the next base to be allowed to move up to the next base. *Ex. A runner on second attempts to advance to third on a ground ball to second. The runner must be 3 quarters of the way to third if an error occurs at first to be able to score. If the runner makes no attempt to advance to third on the ground ball, he may only be able to advance to 3rd in the case of a throwing error.*
- The ball is live off the net. So, if a player catches the ball before it hits the ground from the top or side nets it is an out. The only exception is for the catcher, he must be outside of the red turf surrounding the home plate area for it to be an out.
- If a ball hits the **fence or any black net** down the left or right side of foul territory, it is a **foul ball**, regardless of if it is caught (change from last year).
- If a ball hits over the yellow rope in the net, it is a home run.
- 6U everyone plays the field.
- 8U with agreement of both coaches- everyone can play the field.
- Kids Pitch – 4 max outfielders.
- Right field is extremely close to first base, therefore an outfielder playing a ground ball single through the right side may not throw a runner out at first base. Any single hit to the left side of second base may attempt to get a runner out.
- Two inning limit for pitchers. If even one pitch is thrown during an inning this counts as an inning.
- For 10U a player must wait until the ball crosses home plate before stealing, if a player is deemed to have left early, he must return to the base from which they started.
- Max of 5 Runs per inning except for a homerun ~ All runs count.