

Langley Baseball Association Blastball Spring Rules

All games to follow directives included in Langley Baseball House Rules

FIELD

- 1) Distance between bases is approx. 16-18 ft.
- 2) The pitcher's line approx. 10-12 ft straight out from home plate.
- 3) Home team takes the third base dugout. Visitors take the first base dugout.
- 4) The pitcher should be wearing batting helmet and stand back a safe distance from the batter (behind the pitcher line).

PRE-GAME

- 1) The home team is responsible for preparing the field before the game. Visitors are responsible for cleaning up the field after the game.
- 2) A 30-minute period prior to game start is scheduled for practice drills. A ten-minute warm-up period can be taken by each team on the diamond before the game. Home team can take the field for first field period then the visitors team.

GAME

- 1) A game is 2 innings long or more if time constraints (30 min.) and light allow.
- 2) All innings shall be played with a Tee used to hit.
- 3) No pitching, the batting team coach will place ball on tee and instruct player how to hit.
- 4) There are no strike-outs.
- 5) Each batter gets a turn at bat, if ball drops before the pitcher line the batter takes another turn.
- 6) Once ball hit the batter runs to first base and the defensive team will throw the ball to first base and then first base throws the ball home to batting coach.
- 7) The last batter will move all the runners and run all the bases to home.
- 8) Weekday games start at 6:00pm. First half hour scheduled for practice drills and field turn warm-up then followed by half hour game.
- 9) No score keeping, all batters get a turn to hit and move through the bases to home.
- 10) Once both teams have had equal turns up to bat, the coaches will decide which inning shall be the last.
- 11) Game rescheduling must be done through the coordinator. Canceled games for poor fields only.

PLAYERS

- 1) All players must wear an athletic supporter (Jock/Jill) and supply a glove and batting helmet with chinstraps or a fitted helmet.
- 2) All players are to bat in rotation.
- 3) Players to remain behind backstop fence when their team is batting, only the batter is permitted inside the batting area. A coach or team parent to supervise and ensure that next batter is ready to go.
- 4) Coaches will rotate defensive players to different positions on the field, the player at the pitcher's position must wear batting helmet.
- 5) Players are to be cautioned against throwing the bat.
- 6) Defensive players shall not block the base path.
- 7) No catcher position in Blastball.

COACHES

- 1) Coaches are permitted in the outfield with the defensive team.
- 2) One Coach is permitted at bat to set up ball on tee and instruct batter. Coach, Team Parent and/or Volunteer Parent to assist with batting line up along fence backstop and at first base and third base to remind the players to run to next base.

POST-GAME

Dragon race at the end of the game, home team starts from home plate and visitor starts from 2nd base.

RAINOUTS

The league will cancel all games at City Park in the event of standing water and unsafe conditions. Head Coaches and Team Parents will be notified by 4:15pm if games are cancelled. If coaches do not hear by 4:15pm, games are a GO. In the event of a cancellation, the Head Coach or Team Parent will need to email the team via TeamSnap messaging to advise of the cancellation. The league will make arrangements for make-up games.

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