

2022 PARKER HAWKS FALL YOUTH BASEBALL RULES

Where it differs from HS rules

Rules by age group	5/6yr olds	7/8yr olds	9/10yr olds	11/12yr olds	13/14yr olds
Balls Called	N/A	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Balks&A&1&warning&/&pitcher	N/A	N/A	Yes	Yes	No
Bunting Permitted	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Courtesy Runners (pitcher/catcher only)	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Defensive Player Minimum/Maximum	9/10	8/9	8/9	8/9	8/9
Walks Allowed	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Drop 3rd Strike	N/A	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maximum runs per inning (*unlimited in 5th and 6th innings)	*8	*8	No	No	No
Field Dimensions: Bases/Pitching	60/40	60/40	65/46	70/50	80/54 or 60/90
Free Substitutions	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Infield Fly Rule	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Innings Per Game	6	6	6	6	7
Lead Offs	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stealing (*After Ball Crosses Home Plate)	No	*Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stealing home 5/6 & 7/8year olds must be forced in	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baserunning advance only on overthrow from outfield	Yes	No	No	No	No
Metal cleats permitted (*Never allowed on turf fields or turf mounds)	No	No	No	No	*Yes

Minimum players to start game	9	8	8	8	8
9th spot automatic out	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Minimum Playing Time (2 innings or 6 defensive outs)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pitcher reentry	N/A	No	No	No	No
Pitching limits per player per game (1out=1/3,2out=2/3)	N/A	3	3	3	4
Coach Pitch rules 7pitch max,additional pitches if foul off 7th	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Coach pitch rules must pitch overhand must be in contact w/rubber	Yes	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Coaches On The Field	2 max	No	No	No	No
Rotational Batting (bat full line up)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Time Limit Per Game	1hr 30	1hr 45	1hr 45	1hr 45	1hr 45
Umpires Per Game	1	2	2	2	2
Avoid Contact Rule	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mercy Rule - all age groups	20 or more runs after 3 innings and 15 or more runs after 4 innings				
Start of inning timing	New inning starts immediately upon 3rd out in previous inning				
USSSA stamp bat rules in affect	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bat Weight (-drop)	No	No	No	No	-8,-5 or -3
Tie game rule regular season (1 inning California Tie Breaker)	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
California Tie Breaker Rule	Last recorded out in previous at bat starts at 2nd team starts with 1 out				

Additional rules not covered are defaulted to general baseball rules, umpires ruling and/or at the discretion of the Parker Hawks Baseball Directors