<u>Carillon Minor Baseball</u> 2023 15U Coaches Handbook

<u>CMBA 15U Regular Season Game rules</u> (apply for Carillon Community league games)

- 1. Two good baseballs and one new ball are to be used to start the game.
- 2. Base distance 80 feet. Pitching distance 54'.
- **3.** The league will assign umpires for each game, but the Home teams provides payment. 7 inning game :2 man \$55 each 1 man \$90. 5 inning games: 2 man \$45 each(per game) 1 man \$75 (per game). This price includes mileage unless told otherwise by the umpire in chief.
- **4.** Scheduled games are typically doubleheaders with game 1 starting at 6:00. (Home team should be done their infield warmup by 5:45).
- 5. Line-up cards must be presented to the umpire at the start of the game.
- 6. Carillon Community league doubleheader games are scheduled for 5 innings, but if game 1 has not been completed by 7:45 a new inning should not be started and the game is considered over. Extra innings will not be played and games will end in a tie. Single games are 7 innings.
- 7. In the case of doubleheaders the hosting team will be considered home (bat last) for both games in the evening unless you are told otherwise.
- 8. All innings consist of 3 outs or 6 runs for 15U.
- 9. The mercy rule of 7 runs after 4 innings is in play.
- **10.** All players bat and must be placed in the batting line-up. Injured players are removed from lineup and an out is not recorded in their spot in the order. Defensive substitutions, other than pitching, are unlimited.
- 11. A team may play with less than 9 players in the line-up. <u>The empty spots in the batting</u> order are not considered outs.
- 12. The Baseball Manitoba pitch count app should be used (after June 1st) but pen and paper system is allowed. It is the responsibility of each team to keep their pitch count (ideally 135U players are not getting too close to the threshold listed above in community games). The Carillon High Performance teams may contact you in regards to getting updated pitch count totals for their players therefore each teams needs to maintain updated results.
- **13.** At the completion of the game it is the responsibility of the home team to email the scores to stats@carillonbaseball.ca
- 14. A player can not play pitcher and then play catcher in the same game. The first pitch thrown by a pitcher makes him ineligible to play catcher. A player may go from catcher to pitcher.
- **15.** The Carillon High Performance teams may contact you requesting that you not use a pitcher in a specific game to maintain his availability for one of their games. This is not a common occurrence and it should be considered a positive as it allows your high performance player to pitch at a higher level and allows you to give another player the opportunity to pitch in a league game which will build your local talent pool.

- 16. 15U AAA players are allowed to pitch in community league play. Playing doubleheaders allows for more baseball for the players, but also brings the need for more pitching. It is important for AAA players that may not be used (or used rarely) as pitchers at the AAA level to get reps at the position to continue their development and facing a high calibre pitcher at times is good for the development of non AAA players as well. That being said, the focus should be on getting community players innings pitched and the league may request that a AAA pitcher not be used in community baseball should they be considered too dominant.
- 17. PITCH COUNT TOTALS ARE UPDATED YEARLY) Please check the Baseball Manitoba handbook for official totals and new rules. <u>Please be smart with your</u> <u>pitchers as we are very early in the season and their arms are not in top shape yet.</u>
- **18.** Coaches should be aware of other CMBA, Baseball Manitoba, and Baseball Canada rules and bylaws.
- **19.** The league books the umpires for 15U games, but the home team is required to pay the umpires.
- **20.** Due to the amount of teams, the limited amount of adult umpires, and to develop umpires, the majority of games will be done by 18U players. Coaches need to remember that these players will be inexperience umpires and mistakes will be made. The league is expecting that coaches will make the umpire experience a positive one for these kids.
- **21.** Please contact umpire scheduler Don Meilleur at <u>info@carillonbaseball.ca</u> as soon as a game is postponed as well as with a remake date. All postponed games should be scheduled (ideally played) within 1 week of the postponement.
- **22.** The week of June 26th will be scheduled at a later date based on the season standings at that time. 1st vs 2nd, 3rd vs 4th, 5th vs 6th, etc. There will not be a championship awarded, but this should allow for competitive games to end the season.
- **23.** Provincial playdowns information will be decided at a later date. La Broquerie is hosting the AA provincials and Niverville the A provincials.