



WAUKESHA BLAZERS BOYS ROOKIE LEAGUE BASEBALL  
Rules ages 5/6 and 7



**Rules:**

In the 5/6 and the 7-year-old groups, all players will bat every inning.

While on defense we want the kids to try to make "outs", but we do not limit an inning to 3 outs.

In the 7yr old age group once a player is called out he must leave the field and not stay on the base. If the defense gets 3 outs before the whole team has batted the bases are cleared and you start again at 0 outs. You continue this process until the entire opposing team has batted.

In the 5/6 age group a player will remain on base even if he gets called out to teach them where the bases on the field are and get used to running from base to base. At this age group this will be done the first half of the season and then you will go to the 7-year-old rules where once they are out they leave the field.

All players will play in the field each inning.

We also do not have a "run at will" philosophy. Once the ball is in the infield, the runners should be held at the base they are closest to.

We are not teaching them to run on throwing errors, it complicates how the game is played at later ages, and it goes against our philosophy of not worrying about winning.

At the 5/6 year old level each coach will decide if a hitter can handle being pitched to and then limiting it to 5 pitches before a tee is brought out or start with the tee right away (A good rule to follow is having 5 balls by your feet and pitch those 5 before returning balls to the pitcher. This will make the at the bat go faster for all involved)

In the 7 year old coach pitch league, we allow 6 pitches before the batting tee is brought out but ALL kids are pitched to first (Same rule have 6 balls by feet and then return balls to pitcher once at bat is over)

There is NO stealing at the 5/6 and 7-year-old age group in the Rookie League. The 7-year-old age group may lead off once the ball crosses home plate.

We allow coach's to be flexible with their teams because each child is different than another. The first priority of the Blazer Rookie League is fun, the second is instruction.

NOTE: Work together with coaches to communicate amongst each other and to parents what the "rules are going to be. This will go a long way in avoiding conflict, and add to the enjoyment of the game. Additionally, if at any time a parent/coach has an issue with another coach/player/parent, please have them contact their coach, not the opposing coach and the coaches can discuss the issue. If this does not work then you can contact the League Coordinator.

**UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD A PARENT APPROACH A CHILD ON THE OPPOSING TEAM**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the League Coordinator at [wbrookiecoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:wbrookiecoordinator@gmail.com) .