

# NORTH DELTA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

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## Victoria Day Tadpole (9U) Tournament Rules

Date : Victoria Day May Long-Weekend

Location: Gunderson Park 7630 117 Street, North Delta  
Annieville Park, Upper Annieville Field (South/West corner) 9150 112 Street, North Delta

### **General:**

- Rules are applied in priority order (highest to lowest): (1) VDTT rules (2) NDBA 9U Spring rules (3) BC Minor Baseball Association Rules.
- All teams must be regular season spring teams. No MSET or tiered teams. Callups from 7U are allowed.
- The home team will occupy the 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout.
- The home team will be responsible for the official scorekeeping. The scorekeeper will use the tournament scorebook. The tournament scorebook will be available at the concession. It is suggested that both teams score keep, however the tournament's scorebook will be considered official.
- Each team will pick a MVP from the opposing team.
- At the conclusion of the game:
  1. cheer
  2. cross over and shake hands with the opponent AND umpires
  3. lineup on the baselines for the MVP ceremony
  4. base race
- Round robin games may end in a tie. No ties in the Semi-Finals and Finals.

Ties in the standings shall be broken using the rules as follows:

1. Head to head record (tied teams).
2. Total runs against divided by defensive innings played (all round robin games).
3. Total runs for divided by offensive innings played (all round robin games).
4. Run differential (plus/minus) (all round robin games).

## Umpires:

- Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their team's parents.
- There will be zero tolerance for improper interactions with the umpires.
- All calls made by an umpire are final. No protests. **Please Review the BCMBA rules 13.6/13.7 on umpire interaction.**

### Communication Process and Procedures between Coaches, Players and Umpires During Gameplay

#### 13.6 Communication at 13U and Younger Age Groups

Before, during or after a game coaches or players may not approach an Umpire for any reason except that they may:

- A. Attend the plate meeting.
- B. Request the Umpire to call "Time."
- C. Raise a safety concern.
- D. Approach the Umpire to make a substitution on defense or offence.
- E. Request the plate Umpire to ask their partner for help on a half swing when the plate Umpire calls the pitch a ball, but not when the pitch is called a strike. The plate Umpire will consult with the other Umpire for a determination which will be final.
- F. Approach the Umpire to protest a game based on an interpretation of the Rule of Baseball on terms as set out in this Rulebook. (No protests are allowed at 11U and younger divisions.)
- G. Shake the Umpires hands post game.
- H. Thank the Umpires and or offer words of encouragement.

#### 13.7 At 13U and Younger Age Groups Coaches or Players at any time may NOT:

- A. Argue any Umpire's decision which involves judgment, such as, but not limited to, whether a batted ball is fair or foul, whether a pitch is a strike or a ball, or whether a runner is safe or out.
- B. No player, manager, coach, or substitute shall object to any judgment decisions.
- C. Players leaving their position in the field or on base, or managers or coaches leaving the bench or coaches box, *to argue on BALLS AND STRIKES will not be permitted*. The Umpire shall immediately eject any manager, coach, player, or team representative that continues to approach an Umpire after their decision has been made.
- D. Harass or verbally abuse any official on the field of play before, during or after any game. Contravention will result will be the person being ejected from the game subject to further possible discipline by BCMBA.
- E. If the manager comes out to argue with first or third base Umpire on a half swing they may be ejected as they are now arguing over a called ball or strike.