

New York District 8 Little League



2013



Can Am Tournament



Major Wood Bat Division (12 U)

Playing Rules and Regulations

"The 2013 Can Am Tournament"

The following rules and regulations apply to the Major Wood Bat Division (12U)

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We would like to thank the Host Sites and their Site Directors for Volunteering their Little League Fields and Time in making this Tournament possible. Please support the Concessions and Fund Raising efforts of this League while at their Fields.

Site Directors

The Site Director's purpose is to see that the Games run smoothly. The Site Director will see that all Fields are ready for your scheduled Game Times. He/she will also decide whether in case of Rain, Fields are playable. If you have any questions or problems, you should see the Site Director immediately or contact a Tournament Director Listed above. Site director information will be listed on the game schedule sheets.

Tournament Rules & Team Responsibilities

1. Teams must be registered and fees paid by the deadline. After that date, teams who want to enter the tournament will be placed on a "waiting list".
2. In addition, all Canadian and out of town teams must supply the managers and coaches hotel name (if your team is staying in a hotel) phone number and room number so the Tournament Director may contact them during the tournament with any changes.
3. Players must be from your own Little League and have played on a Regular Season Team with in your league. They must be eligible via the 2013 Official Little League Age Chart for the specific age group they will be playing in. The League President must monitor all Rosters and will be held responsible, NO EXCEPTIONS! Any League using an illegal player will be disqualified from this tournament and that league will be ineligible the following year from entering any teams in any division of the CAN-AM Tournament. The decisions of the Tournament Committee on this matter will be FINAL. We expect only players from your league to be on your team.
4. All Teams must submit an OFFICIAL ROSTER prior to their first game to one of the Tournament Director's. This Roster must list ALL players & coaches names. In addition players addresses, DOB, and League Age information must be completed. **(NOTE: Players not listed on the Original Roster cannot be added after your Roster is submitted.)** It will be the responsibility of the team manager to keep a copy of the Can Am Roster with their scorebook throughout the tournament. The Official Can Am Roster can be down loaded and copied from the main page on the Can Am web site.
5. To ensure the start of each game is on time, teams should be at the field, 30 minutes prior to their scheduled start time. (Teams traveling from different sites for the 2nd game of a double header will be allowed only 5-10 minutes for infield practice.)

6. All Teams must have their scorebook signed by the plate umpire. Scores of games must be reported to the Site Director after each game by the winning team manager. Official Can Am Game Reporting Forms will be distributed to all teams before the first game.

7. All teams must fill out the OFFICIAL Tournament Pitching Record and it must be signed by the plate umpire at the conclusion of each game. Failure to have a properly completed Pitching Record for every game during the tournament may cause disqualification from the finals of this tournament. It will be the responsibility of the team manager to keep the Official Tournament Pitching record with their scorebook, throughout the tournament. The Official Can Am Pitching Record can be down loaded and copied form the main page of the Can Am web site.

8. **Only wood bats can be used in the Major Wood Bat Division Tournament.** Composite bats and metal alloy bats will not be permitted. All wood bats must meet Little League specifications for use in Majors and below. Refer to Little League Rule 1.10 in the Official Regulations and Playing Rules manual for bat specifications. **To purchase wood bats contact Dan Cavallo at (315) 247-0978 or by email at littleag@aol.com.**

Playing Rules

1. This Tournament will be administered by District 8 Little League. Decisions will be made by the District 8 Tournament Committee under the Direction of Dan Cavallo. **Any team or manager that contacts Williamsport for any reason will be immediately disqualified from the tournament and further competition.** All questions should be directed to one of the Tournament Directors listed in the front of this booklet. **All decisions of the Tournament Committee are FINAL.**

2. Little League All-Star Tournament Rules for the Major Division will apply, except as listed below:

Pitchers league age 11 or 12 will be allowed to pitch the following:

Preliminary Round Games

A maximum of 9 innings or 85 pitches total in all preliminary round games, with the following restrictions:

- 50 or more pitches, pitcher cannot pitch in the **next** played game. **(This will carry over to the Championship round if the pitcher pitches in the last game of pool play)**
- 41 or more pitches, pitcher cannot play the position of catcher in that game.
- A player who plays the position of catcher any part of 4 innings, cannot pitch in that game.

Championship Round Games

A maximum of 6 innings or 60 pitches total in all championship round games, with the following restrictions.

- 40 or more pitches, pitcher cannot pitch in the **next** played game.
- 41 or more pitches, pitcher cannot play the position of catcher in that game.
- A player who plays the position of catcher any part of 4 innings, cannot pitch in that game.

Pitchers league age 9 or 10 will be allowed to pitch the following:

Preliminary Round Games

A maximum of 8 innings or 75 pitches total in all preliminary round games, with the following restrictions:

-40 or more pitches, pitcher cannot pitch in the **next** played game.

(This will carry over to the Championship round if the pitcher pitches in the last game of pool play)

-41 or more pitches, pitcher cannot play the position of catcher in that game.

-A player who plays the position of catcher any part of 4 innings, cannot pitch in that game.

Championship Round Games

A maximum of 5 innings or 50 pitches total in all championship round games, with the following restrictions:

-30 or more pitches, pitcher cannot pitch in the **next** played game.

-41 or more pitches, pitcher cannot play the position of catcher in that game.

-A player who plays the position of catcher any part of 4 innings, cannot pitch in that game.

- Games will be 6 innings and no new inning will start after 2 hours, unless it is a tie game or called by the Umpire in Chief as stated in All-Star Rules.
- Flip of a coin will determine home team. Loser of the flip will have choice of dug-outs.
- A Continuous-Batting Rule will be used. All Players on the bench will be in the Batting Line-Up. Unlimited defensive substitution will be allowed.
- 10 Run Rule will be in effect as long as the Losing Team has 4 at bats. This Rule also applies in all Semi-Final & Championship Games.

3. We expect all players to play in the field in every game. All teams will be allowed free substitution, since we will be using the Continuous Batting Rule. Once the Pitcher comes out, he cannot go back in to pitch; however, he can play any other position on the field. If a player arrives after the start of the game, they will be added to the end of the continuous Batting Line-Up! If a player is injured and cannot continue to play the players position in the continuous Batting order is crossed out. Players cannot re-enter game if batting position is passed.

4. **Rain--In Case of Rain:** The Tournament Committee will make every effort to provide every team with 3 pool play games. If inclement weather or poor playing field conditions forces the postponement of pool play on Friday or Saturday, the games remain on the schedule. We will make every effort to have teams play all their games. However, makeup games will not be played unless necessary and will be determined at the sole discretion of the Tournament Committee. Therefore, in the event of inclement weather, teams should keep an eye on the Can Am web site at www.district8ll.com for announcements regarding pool play postponements and makeup games.

5. Updated information on the CAN-AM Tournament may be obtained daily by calling the District's News Line number at 634-3600 or checking District 8's web site at www.district8ll.com. The Can Am Tournament web site is the main source of information and communication for coaches, players, parents and fans. So check the web site often before and during the tournament for important updates.

6. Managers, coaches and players will show the utmost respect for all opposing players, umpires and tournament officials. Managers, coaches and players ejected for un-sportsmanlike conduct may forfeit further participation in the tournament.

7. All teams registered in the tournament will be scheduled to begin pool play on Friday evening at either 4:00PM or 6:00 on Friday. **There will no exceptions to this schedule.** Teams from the immediate Syracuse area will be scheduled to play at 4:00PM on Friday afternoon. Teams traveling to Syracuse from out of the area will be scheduled to play at 6:00PM on Friday evening.

8. Please note that Friday and Saturday pool play game schedules **will not be available until 3 days before** the tournament is scheduled to begin. Schedules will be posted on the Official Can Am Tournament web site at www.district8ll.com

9. **Scores must be turned into the Site Director IMMEDIATELY after the conclusion of each game, by the winning team manager.** The Official 2013 Can Am Game Reporting Forms will be provided to all teams prior to the start of pool play on Friday. Winning team managers should complete and sign the official Game Reporting Form.

10. On Saturday, **after all pool play games have been completed**, one winner (semi-finalist) from each group based on won/ loss record and tie-breakers will be determined by the Tournament Committee. Pool winners and Sunday's Championship Round schedule will be posted on the Official Can Am web site at www.district8ll.com Saturday evening, **after all Saturday pool play games have been completed.**

11. In case of a tie within your group (pool), the following Tie Breaker Rules listed below will be implemented in the order listed below:

- Head to head Competition.
- Least amount of runs given up divided by the number of defensive innings played.
- Most runs scored for all games divided by the number of offensive innings played

If necessary the above Tie Breaker Rules will also be used to determine the playoff seeding.

Tournament Notes

1. District 8 will supply **umpires for all games.** Please understand that because of the amount of games in such a short period, there may be instances where there will be only 1 umpire at a game.

2. District 8 will supply **baseballs for all games.** Game balls will be given to teams by the Site Director or the umpires prior to the start of each game. Any additional balls that are necessary will be available as needed.

3. **Safety Awareness:** Please note that all teams **MUST** have Little League Medical Release Forms for all the players on their roster. In addition each team must have their own First Aid Kit including a supply of ice packs and Little League Incident/ Injury Tracking Forms available for their players. It is not the responsibility of the Can Am officials to supply these items for teams. Little League team managers and coaches must be ASAP approved for the current Little League year. Little League Volunteer Applications, Little League Medical Release Forms and Little League Incident/ Injury Tracking Forms can be down loaded and copied from the Little League Online web site, in the Forms and Publications section.

District Gifts

District 8 Can AM Gifts will be provided to all players, managers and coaches on Saturday at the conclusion of the AM games (morning session) and prior to the start of the PM games (afternoon session).

Individual and Team Competitions

TIME PERMITTING, **Individual and Team Competitions** will be held for Major Baseball Saturday night at the Mattydale Complex (Burnham Park) after the conclusion of all Preliminary Games (Pool Play).

Check the Can Am Tournament web site www.district8ll.com for updates regarding the competitions.

Awards

Championship teams and Runner Up teams will receive tournament Awards.

Souvenirs

Can Am Tournament Souvenirs will be on sale. Items available are; hats, T-shirts, pins, golf shirts and etc. SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED, SO GET YOUR SOUVENIRS EARLY.

Our Concession stands will be open for your convenience.