



Best of the West – Bantam Rules

Welcome everyone to this year's "Best of the West" Bantam Classic Tournament being held on the beautiful McArthur Island in Kamloops, B.C. I look forward to some great baseball and the opportunity to seeing you all in Kamloops.

Rules:

Time limit: All games are 7 innings or time limit (2 hours) no new inning after the 2 hour mark. If we are at time and the game is tied at that mark, it will go down as a tie. Other circumstances that could happen:

- If a game is tied after 7 innings and under the time, it will be played until the 2 hour mark.
- If an inning has started, it must be completed unless the home team is leading – then the game is over
- If weather or lighting plays into a game, we will resume the game at the present point at a later time – Please understand that 5 innings constitute a complete game and will not be resumed (4 ½ if the home team is leading).

Home Team: Decided by a Coin flip in round robin games and then higher seed has the option in the Playoff round

Mercy Rule: 12 runs after 4 innings and 8 runs after 5 complete will be in effect.

Tie Breaker: 1. Best Record 2. Head to Head 3. Defensive runs against in all games played 4. Run Differential 5. Most runs scored in all round robin games 6. Sudden death mini game (**+ or – 10 runs** will be used)

Slide or Avoid: Straight into the bag or attempt to avoid contact. Please note that it will be the umpires discretion on incidental contact:

Speed up Rule: You can run for the pitcher or catcher at any time – player must be someone presently not in the game.

Official Book: The home team has the official book

DH & EH: If you wish you can have a DH and EH. The EH can be freely substituted to play defense, it does not have to be reported to umpire.

Re Entry: You can re enter for the starters, just make sure they come back in the same spot in the batting order

Hitting Line up: You can hit 9, 10 or whole line up. Please note is you hit the whole line up and someone is ejected or hurt, that spot in the line up will be an out. If you hit the whole line up, all players can be freely substituted to play a defensive position – no need to report to umpire

Pitching Rules: There are none. This will be left it up to you, but you may have to abide by the rules set up by your organization.

BATS: Wood bat or Wood composite Bat tournament (Baum bat is legal).

WEATHER: If weather becomes a factor here is the priority of games to be played;

1. Round Robin
2. Playoff Games
3. Higher seeded Consolation Games
4. Lower seeded Consolation Games

Have a great tournament, cheers

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