

# Bridgeport JV(BJV) Tournament Rules & Procedures

BJV Tournament follows WVSSAC High School Rules for all tournaments unless otherwise specified below.

## **1. Time/Game Limit**

All tournament games in pool play and playoffs will have a 2 hour time limit. Championship game will not have a time limit. The time limit is as follows:

If a new inning has started prior to the time limit, then that inning will finish. No new inning can start after the time limit. Games in pool play can end in a tie. Umpires will announce the start time right after the coin toss & pregame rules discussion. If the game is tied at the end of regulation and time is still remaining, the game will go to extra innings. In Bracket play, when the time limit hits and both teams are tied, we will play 1 extra inning. If still tied after 1 inning, we will go to a Texas Shootout. Shootout rules: The last batter to have an official at bat from the previous inning will be placed on second base. The inning will start with 1 out. Each batter will start with a 3-2 count and the inning will be played out. If tied after the 1<sup>st</sup> inning of the Texas Shootout, innings will continue under same format until there is a winner. Innings pitched will be counted in the overall totals.

Teams should be at field 1 hour prior to designated start time as games will start 15 minutes after completion of prior game.

The game will be considered a complete game after the home team bats in the bottom of the first inning. If a game should be called due to darkness, or weather, and the 1<sup>st</sup> inning has been completed, the game will restart where it left off.

**Tournament Fee = \$150 and 1 dozen baseballs**

WEATHER LINE IS 304-677-6313 or 304-669-1979

\*\*\*TIME LIMITS MAY CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER\*\*\*

## 2. Playoffs/Tie Breakers

Seeding results will be available at the end of play on Friday

In the event that teams are tied after pool play, the following process will be followed:

- A. Head to Head (only if 2 teams are tied. 3 or more, go to next tie breaker)
- B. Fewest Runs Allowed
- C. Run Differential (will be capped at +7-7 per game)
- D. Coin Flip

## 3. Pitching

Follow WV High School Rules

Scorecards must be signed by both team managers to eliminate inning validation problems.

Eight warm-ups to start, five thereafter

## 4. Re-entry

Offensive: Teams may have an EH(extra hitter) and/or may utilize a DH. After the start of the game you cannot change the number of batters you have, it must remain the same for the whole game.

A team must start with a minimum of 9 players but can finish with less.

## 5. Home Team

In pool play a coin flip will determine who the home team is. In playoffs and the championship the high seed will have their choice of being the home or visitor. If two teams should have the same seed, then a coin flip will determine home team.

## 6. Scorekeeping

- A. Each team's manager must prepare 1 written copy of his lineup listing first and last names and numbers of all players and substitutes prior to each game. Lineups then must be provided to the opposing team's manager.
- B. The Official Scorebook is to be kept by the home team. Both teams should confer after each inning to confirm the score.
- C. A completed score sheet must be filled out and signed by both managers after each game and presented to the tournament director. **Please make sure this is done so that we can make sure we stay on top of the scores and post the results ASAP.** In Lieu of score sheets, teams may be asked to text scores and pitching.

## 7. Bat Restrictions

Follow WV High School Rules

## 8. Dugouts

Please help keep the tournament fields and common areas clean. Please be sure to pick up all of your team's trash after the game.

## **9. Ejections**

- A. All ejections are at the umpires' discretion
- B. NO WARNINGS will be given to coaches, players, or fans for unsportsmanlike or unruly behavior
- C. Upon ejection, the coach, player, or fan must completely leave the premises. Failure to comply will result in a team forfeit.
- D. Any coach, player, or fan ejected from more than one game will not be permitted on the premises for the rest of the tournament.

## **10. Official Game**

Follow WV High School Rules

## **11. Mercy Rule**

15 after 3 innings    12 after 4 innings    10 after 5 innings    8 after 6 innings

## **12. Format Alterations**

BJV Baseball reserves the right to alter, change, or abbreviate tournament formats, when necessary, in order to complete the tournament. This includes, but not limited to, shortening times limits in order to maintain the game schedule and to ensure all games.

## **13. Intentional Walk**

Follow WVSSAC Rules

## **14. Courtesy Runners**

Courtesy Runners for pitcher and catcher may be used regardless of # of outs. Courtesy Runners are mandatory with 2 outs.

If **there are no players available on the bench**, then you may use the last recorded out as a courtesy runner.

## **15. Infield/Outfield**

There will be no infield/outfield practice prior to tournament games.

## **16. Equipment**

Games played on Field 3 at the Bridgeport Rec Complex: Pitchers must wear Tennis Shoes or Rubber Spikes on the Portable mound.

**17. Bridgeport, WV Hotels located within 5 minutes of the Recreation Complex & High School Include:**

Best Western 107 Lodgeville Road 304-842-5417

Hampton Inn 1515 Johnson Avenue 304-842-9300

Holiday Inn Express 20 Sweetbrier Lane 304-979-9022

Microtel Inn & Suites 201 Conference Center Way 304-808-2000

Sleep Inn 115 Tolley Drive 304-842-1919

Super 8 168 Barnett Run Rd 304-842-7381

Towneplace Suites by Marriott 101 Platinum Drive 304-842-3600

Wingate Inn 350 Conference Center Way 304-808-1000

Courtyard by Marriott 30 Shaner Drive 304-842-0444

Comfort Suites 285 White Oaks Blvd 304-933-33907

Springhill Suites 97 Platinum Drive 304-842-5200

Days Inn & Suites 112 Foley Drive 304-842-7371

Hawthorne Suites 75 South View Drive 304-848-8700