

APBA CHICAGOLAND FALL APBA WORLD SERIES TOURNAMENT RULES

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2016

Comfort Inn – O Hare 2175 Touhy Ave, Des Plaines, IL 60018

Doors Open at 8:30 AM. Games to start by 9:30 AM, with the Championship slated to be completed by 7 PM.

TEAM SELECTION INFORMATION

Basic selection premise: Select any MLB team 1901 - 2015 that ended the season with a sub .500 record. The team must have more losses than wins. Teams that ended with a .500 record or better are excluded.

Multiple Franchises may be selected.

GENERAL HOUSEKEEPING

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING:

***Your team**

***Dice**

***Boards. We will be using the most recent booklet form of board to provide general uniformity. Copies will be available the day of the game.**

***Score sheets will be provided but you may bring and use your own!**

***Roster sheet with your team. (For rosters with stats, visit www.baseball-reference.com)**

*** \$20 Entry Fee. The fee goes to cover the cost of the room and tournament expenses.**

DAY OF GAME SCHEDULE:

- 8:30 AM – Doors Open. Games to be played.
- 9:30 AM – Introductions, blessing, and National Anthem
- 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM. Lunch. Options will be presented before the day of the tournament
- 1:30 PM. We will either have a pseudo All-Star game or go back to game play depending on the status of games remaining.
- @ 6:00 PM – Championship
- 7:00 PM – Optional Post Tournament Dinner at Jamisons Charhouse

MOST IMPORTANT!

IN THE WORDS OF DOUG SCHUYLER:

“REMEMBER TO ROLL SLOW AND HAVE A GOOD TIME!”

TOURNAMENT RULES

HOUSEKEEPING RULES

- THE BASIC GAME WILL BE USED. THE HOME TEAM MANAGER DECIDES; PITCHER VS. DH AND ADVANCED OR BASIC FIELDING.
- IN ORDER TO KEEP A SENSE OF UNIFORMITY, THE MOST RECENT BOOKLET FORM OF BOARDS WILL BE USED. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THEM, COPIES WILL BE PROVIDED THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT
- YOU MAY BRING ANY MLB TEAM 1901 - PRESENT THAT FINISHED THE SEASON WITH A SUB .500 RECORD.
- 25 MAN MAX ROSTER.
- PLEASE BRING A ROSTER SHEET WITH COPIES TO BE PASSED TO THE OPPOSING MANAGER BEFORE EACH GAME. ROSTER SHEETS SHOULD HAVE FULL NAME WITH POSITION AND STATS FOR THAT SEASON ONLY.
- ANY PLAYER RATED J-0 THRU J-3 MAY START. CARDS WITHOUT THE J RATING AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CARD WILL BE LIMITED TO PITCHERS WITH MORE THAN 100 INNINGS AND POSITION PLAYERS WITH GREATER THAN 100

AT - BATS. ANY ROSTERED PLAYER MAY ENTER STARTING IN THE 6TH INNING. ANY POSITION PLAYER INJURY BEFORE THE 6TH INNING WILL ALLOW FOR ANY PLAYER THAT FIELDS THE INJURED PLAYERS POSITION TO ENTER. ANY INJURY FOR A PITCHER IS NULLIFIED UNTIL THE 6TH INNING, WITH THE GAME RESULTS STANDING.

- **EACH TEAM PLAYS ALL OTHER TEAMS IN THEIR DIVISION 3 GAMES. HOME TEAM IS ALTERNATED IN THE FIRST TWO GAMES. HOME TEAM FOR GAME 3 OF EACH SERIES IS DETERMINED BY RUN DIFFERENTIAL OF THE FIRST TWO GAMES.**

- **CHAMPION FROM EACH DIVISION WILL ADVANCE TO THE PLAYOFFS. SIDE GAMES CAN BE PLAYED IF YOU ARE ELIMINATED.**

- **TIE BREAKERS: HEAD TO HEAD, RUN DIFFERENTIAL AMONG TIED TEAMS, RUNS SCORED, COIN TOSS. A PLAYOFF GAME WILL ONLY BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE EVENT THAT WE HAVE EXTRA TIME AND IS APPROVED BY THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR BEFORE PLAY BEGINS.**

- **ONE DIVISION HEAD WILL BE CHOSEN TO ASSIST IN KEEPING TRACK OF SCORES.**

- **ANY INJURY IS ONLY SUSTAINED FOR THAT GAME. THE PLAYER MAY RETURN TO THE LINEUP FOR THE NEXT GAME.**

- **A PITCHER MUST BAT IN THE 8TH OR 9TH SPOT IN THE BATTING ORDER TO START A GAME. A PITCHER MAY PINCH HIT OR PINCH RUN, BUT MAY NOT BE USED AS A DH.**

- **DICE MUST BE ROLLED ON THE TABLE OR IN A BOX**

- **RE - ROLL BOTH DICE IF THEY GO OFF TABLE OR OUT OF BOX**

- **THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE USE OF A RELIEF PITCHER FROM ONE GAME TO THE NEXT.**

- **ALL PITCHERS WILL BE A STRAIGHT GRADE D STARTING IN THE 13TH INNING. (NO X, Y, Z, K, R, OR W) THEIR FIELDING RATING WILL NOT BE ALTERED.**

- **THERE ARE NO RAINOUTS. YOU CAME TO PLAY APBA!!!!!!**

PITCHING

- **A 4 MAN ROTATION WILL BE USED. SET YOUR ROTATION AND STAY IN THAT ORDER FOR ALL DIVISIONAL PLAY GAMES**

- **NO J - 4 STARTING PITCHER MAY START**

- **NO RELIEVER (DENOTED ONLY BY AN ASTERISK BY THE PITCHER'S GRADE) MAY START.**

- **OBSERVE APBA PITCHING IMPROVEMENTS AND DECREASES.**

- **STARTERS MUST PITCH AT LEAST 5 INNINGS UNLESS AFFECTED BY GRADE REDUCTION.**
- **RELIEF PITCHERS WITH *ASTERISK ARE LIMITED TO TWO INNINGS OR 6 TOTAL OUTS.**
- **PITCHERS WITH STRAIGHT GRADES OR SPLIT GRADES ARE LIMITED TO 3 INNINGS OR 9 TOTAL OUTS WHEN USED IN RELIEF.**
- **ANY RELIEF PITCHER IS ADVANCED ONE LETTER GRADE, BUT NOT BEYOND GRADE A, FOR ONLY THE FIRST BATTER THEY FACE IN THE MIDDLE OF ANY INNING (RIGHTY/RIGHTY, LEFTY/LEFTY MATCHUP IS NOT IN EFFECT).**
- **PITCHING ROTATIONS RESET AT THE BEGINNING OF THE PLAYOFFS, AND FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.**
- **IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME, ANY PITCHER RATED AS A STARTER MAY START. A RELIEF PITCHER MAY NOT START.**
- **YOUR STARTING PITCHER CANNOT EXCEED 9 INNINGS UNLESS THEY ARE PITCHING A NOHITTER. BEYOND THE 9TH INNING, THEY MUST BE REMOVED IF THEY GIVE UP A HIT AT THE END OF THAT INNING.**

FIELDING

- **TOTAL TEAM FIELDING OR OPTIONAL ADVANCED FIELDING RATINGS WILL BE USED. THE HOME TEAM MANAGER WILL MAKE THIS CALL.**
- **NO PLAYER CAN START THE GAME AT A POSITION FOR WHICH HE IS NOT GRADED.**
- **A PLAYER CAN NOT BE USED AT ANY TIME IN A POSITION FOR WHICH HE IS NOT GRADED, IF ANOTHER PLAYER IS AVAILABLE TO ENTER THE GAME AND COULD BE PLACED IN THE LINEUP IN WAY THAT WOULD RESULT IN NO ONE BEING USED AT A NON - GRADED POSITION. PLEASE DO NOT TRY TO BEND THE RULES OR FIND LOOPHOLES. LET'S ALL JUST HAVE FUN!**
- **ANY PLAYER WHO DOES NOT HAVE A FIELDING RATING FOR A POSITION WILL BE CONSIDERED THE LOWEST FIELDING RATING IF PLACED INTO THE GAME.**
- **THE MANAGER MUST DECLARE DEEP OR IN WITH A RUNNER ON THIRD BASE. IF NOT DECLARED, THE INFIELD WILL BE CONSIDERED DEEP.**

BASERUNNING

- **A MANAGER MUST DECLARE WHETHER OR NOT A RUNNER IS HOLDING/PLAYING IT SAFE. IF THEY ARE HOLDING/PLAYING IT SAFE, THEY**

WOULD ONLY ADVANCE AS FAR AS THE BATTER. EXAMPLE, WITH A RUNNER ON FIRST BASE AND THE BATTER DOUBLES, THE RUNNER WOULD ONLY ADVANCE TWO BASES AND GO TO THIRD AND NOT SCORE DESPITE THE BOARD RESULT. ALL BOARD STEAL RESULTS OR THROWN OUT TRYING TO STEAL RESULTS ARE NEGATED IF THE MANAGER WAS HOLDING/PLAYING IT SAFE WITH THE RUNNER.

- NO LIMIT TO SACRIFICE ATTEMPTS.
- NO LIMIT TO HIT N RUN ATTEMPTS.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME ON FACEBOOK, MESSAGE ME, TEXT ME AT 518-645-6733, OR EMAIL ME AT robspatz@gmail.com

See you on November 12th!