

IMPORTANT!! USE VOUR RULE BOOK

The following rule and policy changes were adopted by the DYB National Board of Directors at its annual meeting in August 2024. The updated 2025 DYB Rule Book is online on the DYB website at dybusa.org. This online rule book will be used for the 2025 season. See significant changes made in 2025 below:

2025 SIGNIFICANT RULE & POLICY CHANGES

TEAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS Change to read:

11.01 "All DYB team affidavits must consist of a minimum of 11 players and a maximum of 12 players, a manager and the required number of coaches. A minimum of eleven (11) players must be present for each game and must fulfill all offensive and defensive requirements."

PLAYER/COACH ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS - Change to read:

11.05(c) "A player, replacement player, manager or coach shall not miss any of his team's scheduled games in DYB tournament play due to participation in another tournament or travel delays from participating in another tournament. PENALTY: Any player, or replacement player, manager or coach who violates this shall be ruled ineligible from further tournament play and must be replaced."

11.05(d) "A team shall not miss ANY game of each level of DYB tournament play due to participation in another tournament for any reason. PENALTY: Any team who violates this rule shall be disqualified from DYB Tournament play immediately. Any advancement to the next level of play will be forfeited and passed down to the next qualified team."

DYB PLAYING RULES 3.04 - "A "courtesy runner" may be used for the pitcher AND the catcher. The "courtesy runner" will be the last out made, or if no out has been recorded in the game, the farthest away from batting again from the batter who the "courtesy runner" is being used for. Exception - if the player to be used as the "courtesy runner" happens to be the pitcher or catcher, then the last out made prior to the last out will be used as the "courtesy runner"."

6.10(d) "After one warning, per team for slinging the bat, the next incident of a batter slinging the bat and every subsequent batter after the warning who slings the bat, will be called out, a dead ball called and no runners advance."

TOURNAMENT RULE 11.35(b)-Offensive Participation Requirements Change to

read: (b) "At the start of the game, all players on each tournament team's roster will be listed in the starting offensive batting lineup and will bat in this order continuously throughout the game. Should the offensive team have less than 11 players available, at any time, an OUT will be recorded the first time at bat for player(s), who is absent from a game and is not injured, ill, disqualified, attending a church service or has an excused emergency or family death."

AA PLAYING RULES DYB TOURNAMENT RULES 12.01(d) AA and A Divisions

Delete the following sentences: A team playing three (3) games on the same day shall have at least 1 ½ hours rest between games. In the case of an "if necessary" game to determine a tournament champion, there shall be at least one (1) hour rest between games. **AA**

TOURNAMENT PLAY AA and A Divisions Change to read:

12.01(f) All Division I and II tournament teams must begin each level of tournament play with a minimum of eleven (11) players or a maximum of twelve (12) players available for each tournament game.

Delete paragraph (g) A minimum of two umpires per game is required.