MOUNTAINEER LEAGUE MUSTANG ROSTER TOURNAMENT RULES

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- 1. 2-hour time limit on all games until final. No inning starts after time limit. Inning starts after last out of current inning. Texas shootout for games tied at time limit. Player that made last out the previous inning is placed at second base. The batter has a 3 ball 2 strike count and NO OUTS. Play until a winner.
- 2. Pitchers are limited to 2 innings maximum per game and 4 innings per calendar day. One pitch thrown constitutes an inning pitched. 40-Hour rest rule required if a pitcher pitches 4 innings in one calendar day.
- 3. 10 run rule will apply after losing team bats in the 4th inning or time limit.
- 4. No more than 3 coaches plus the scorekeeper in the dugout.
- 5. Host organization must provide the following:
 - a. Scorebook and individual to serve as official scorekeeper.
 - b. Record number of innings pitched for each pitcher.
 - c. Extra baseballs (2 dozen recommended).
 - d. Field maintenance crew lining of fields diamond dry, etc.
 - e. Pay umpires will be reimbursed by MBA
 - f. Host site mandatory: purchase trophies for 1st place teams, 2nd place team trophies optional will be reimbursed up to \$250 by MBA for trophy costs.
- 6. No warm-ups or batting practice on the field.
- 7. NO AH will be used.

A. Each player that arrives for the game will be required to play two innings of defense (six defensive outs). Penalty will be forfeiture of game. <u>EXCEPTION</u>: Unless late arrivals to the game arrive <u>after</u> the 4th inning.

B. Teams that arrive at the game with 12 players or less: the team will bat their entire line-up in rotation with free defensive substitutions, i.e., the requirement of two innings of defense for each player does not have to be consecutive innings.

C. Teams that arrive at the game with 13 or more players: the team will bat 10 positions in the line-up. Each player will be required to play two consecutive innings; six offensive outs and six defensive outs.

- 8. No more than 8 players of the higher age bracket may be in the line-up at one time if you have more than 8 players in the higher group.
- 9. Each team will bring two new baseballs per game.

10. Zero tolerance rules apply to coaches, players and fans – anyone ejected is out for remainder of tournament.

- 11. Losing team must complete its half of the 4th inning for official game unless time limit occurs.
- 12. Suspended games or delays continue at the point of interruption. 30-minute wait for lightning. Clock is STOPPED until play resumes.
- 13. Higher seeded team will be the home team. Exception: A higher seed that has one loss in the tournament will be the visiting team in the championship game. The home team in the "if necessary" championship game will be decided by a coin flip.
- 14. All teams must start with a minimum of 9 players. If a team loses a player during the course of the game for whatever reason, that position in the batting order will need to take an out when it comes up in the lineup.