



## East York Baseball Association - Minor Mosquito AAA Tournament 2018

### Tournament Rules and Policies for EY Minor Mosquito Tournament July 6-8, 2018

- Tournament headquarters will be located under the awning at Stan Wadlow Park Clubhouse.
- Please have one Coach or Manager check in with an EY tournament representative at the clubhouse before your first game to pick up the team's tournament package. Teams must have copies of affiliate-approved or OBA-approved rosters with them, but do not have to leave a copy with the Convenor. EY Rep will log in roster numbers at check-in.

All games shall be governed by the Constitution of the OBA and the Official Rules of Baseball. In addition, the following notes will apply:

#### A. SCHEDULING

1. 12 Team Tournament – 3 divisions of 4 team in pool play. Each team plays 3 round robin games, weather permitting. EYBA will make every attempt to ensure that all games are completed in a timely and fair manner for all.
2. All team positioning was randomly drawn. A copy of the tournament schedule has been forwarded to all teams via email.
3. 8 teams advance to the playoff round Sunday.
4. SEEDING – Top 2 teams from each division will advance. Division winners will be ranked 1, 2 & 3, and second place teams will be ranked 4, 5 & 6. Seeds 7 & 8 will be determined by best record of remaining teams. Should there be a tie, the OBA tie-breaker rules will be used to determine the two spots.
5. Quarter final winners advance to the Semi-Finals.
6. Semi-Final winners advance to the Finals and losers to the Consolation game.

#### B. GAME PLAY

7. OBA lineup cards and score sheets MUST be used. The HOME team will be responsible for the official score and provide the official scorekeeper. The VISITING team will be responsible for tracking the official pitch counts. Lineup cards should be exchanged at least 10 minutes before game time. Score sheets must be returned to the Chief Scorekeeper at the Clubhouse within 20 minutes of the completion of the game.
8. Pitch counts of the Official Pitch Counter will be the ONLY numbers used by the Umpire during a game regardless of any other numbers any coach or spectator may have. No appeal or protest of the numbers recorded will be permitted. It is strongly suggested that coaches check the pitch count of a pitcher recorded by the official pitch counter at the conclusion of each inning.



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9. Coaches will sign the official game sheet immediately following the conclusion of the game, acknowledging the pitch counts of the pitchers used during the game. In the event of a discrepancy in numbers, the pitch counts of the Official Pitch Counter will stand. In the event a coach fails to sign the game sheet, the pitch counts recorded will be considered official and no appeal or protest of the numbers will be allowed at a later time. It is strongly recommended that coaches initial the pitch count of a pitcher as recorded by the official pitch counter immediately upon a pitching change.
10. The home team in each preliminary round game will be determined by a coin flip 10 minutes prior to the game. The home plate umpire will conduct the toss, witnessed by the field umpire. The team that travelled the furthest to the tournament will call the coin in the air. The winner will have the choice of being home or away.
11. Preliminary round, Quarter Final and Semi-Final games will be 7 innings. No new inning will start after 1 hour and 45 minutes has elapsed from the time of the first pitch. The umpire will notify both teams and the scorekeeper of the time of the first pitch.
12. Final game will be 7 innings in length with no time limit.
13. As in all OBA games an 18 run mercy rule will apply after 3 innings (2 ½ if the home team is ahead), a 15 run mercy rule after 4 innings (3 ½ if the home team is ahead), and a 10 run mercy rule will apply after 5 innings (4 ½ if the home team is ahead). This will apply for ALL games, including play-offs.
14. Official Game: A 7-inning game will be considered an official game after 4 innings of play or 3 1/2 innings if the home team is ahead. If a game is stopped for weather, light failure, or park curfew after becoming an official game, it is over. If a game is stopped for weather, light failure, or park curfew prior to becoming an official game then it is suspended and will be resumed from the point of suspension.
15. Tie games will be allowed to stand in the Round Robin. There will be no extra innings in this round.
16. Two (2) points are awarded for each win, one (1) point is awarded for a tie, and zero (0) for a loss.
17. The score of a forfeited game will be recorded as 7-0, and 5 innings for tiebreaking purposes.
18. In case of ties in the standings, the following will be used (OBA rule P7.3(v)(w)):
  - P7.3 (v)
    - i. head to head record among tied teams;
    - ii. team with the smallest runs against ratio (runs allowed / number of defensive innings played) in games among tied teams;
    - iii. team with the smallest runs against ratio (runs allowed / number of defensive innings played) in all games;
    - iv. team with the highest runs for ratio (runs scored / number of offensive innings played) in games among tied teams;
    - v. team with the highest runs for ratio (runs scored / number of offensive innings played) in all games;
    - vi. coin toss.
  - P7.3 (w)

When there are 3 or more teams tied, the tiebreakers will commence at P7.3 (v)(ii). After the winner of that tiebreaker is determined, the tiebreakers will continue, if necessary, at P7.3 (v)(ii) as long as there are 3 or more teams tied. When only 2 teams remain, the tiebreaker will start at P7.3 (v)(i).



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19. The decision of the umpire(s) is final. Protests of misinterpretation of rules must be entertained by the tournament host committee as per the official rules of baseball. There is no Baseball Ontario provision to ban legal protests.

### C. CONDUCT

20. Coaches and Managers are responsible for the conduct of anyone involved with their team throughout the tournament including coaches, players and spectators.
21. If a parent or other spectator associated with a team demonstrates offending behavior, the coach of the team will be requested to speak to the spectator. If the behavior continues, the team will be subject to a bench warning. If the behavior still continues, the head coach will be ejected and the offending spectator will be ejected from Stan Wadlow Park. (Stan Wadlow is a public park, but is permitted to the EYBA, giving the EYBA discretion over attendance within its borders). If that does not bring the situation to a close, the team will forfeit the game.
22. "Offending behaviour" includes abuse of officials, abuse and/or taunting of players (on either team), and abuse and or/taunting of other spectators
23. Any coach ejected from a game will be suspended from the following game. Further sanctions may be applied based on the nature of the incident(s).
24. There will be no pre-game warm ups on the infield. Please note that while there are other diamonds in the park, many of these are in use by other East York leagues over the weekend. Access to these diamonds is on a first-come first-serve basis. Should a team that is scheduled to use that diamond arrive, tournament teams must leave it immediately.
25. All players must wear matching uniforms with matching color schemes. Players without matching uniforms and matching color schemes will not be permitted to participate. OBA Rep coaches are expected to be in baseball uniform.
26. All equipment must conform to OBA regulations. No metal spikes are permitted.
27. Teams judged to be wasting time or otherwise delaying a time-limited preliminary game when ahead in the score will be warned by the umpire(s). A second warning may result in the ejection of that team's head coach.
28. Teams are asked to retrieve foul balls hit during the game. No time will be added for any delays due to lack of baseballs.
29. Teams are asked to conduct post game meetings off the field. Please clean your dugout, and gather all equipment and personal items as quickly as possible to keep the games on schedule.
30. Tobacco products are strictly prohibited in the confines of the baseball field including dugouts and fan viewing areas.
31. East York Baseball Association accepts no responsibility for any injuries, damages or losses to any person, organization, or entity during the tournament.



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### D. WEATHER

32. All games will take place at Stan Wadlow and Dieppe Parks, weather permitting. In the event that the weather requires schedule adjustments, we reserve the right to move a small number of games to other nearby diamonds.
33. It is ESSENTIAL that at least two cell numbers are provided for each team, as updates will be sent via text message.
34. The convener will have the final say on how to proceed in the event of rain. Any final decisions will be made after consultation with the umpires and coaches.
35. Should the entire tournament be rained out, teams will be refunded 75% of their entry fee (reflecting that the EYBA has non-refundable costs associated with staging the tournament.)

### E. CONTACT INFORMATION

Tournament Convenor: Mark Ireland, C 647 988 1835, [markireland@sympatico.ca](mailto:markireland@sympatico.ca)

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## LOCATIONS

### 1. Stan Wadlow Park 373 Cedarvale Avenue, East York M4J 3H8





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## 2. Dieppe Park 455 Cosburn Avenue, East York M4J 2N2

