



## ECTB Tournament Rules / Details

Your team is scheduled to participate in our upcoming ECTB tournament. As a friendly reminder we wanted to review some important details with you regarding our upcoming tournament. If you should have any questions or need to make any special requests for your upcoming tournament this is the time to make them!

- **Schedules**

- All special requests MUST be emailed to [Stacey.Hamersly@ectb.org](mailto:Stacey.Hamersly@ectb.org) at least 2 weeks prior to start of the tournament you're participating in! Once, the schedule is posted online ABSOUTLEY no changes will be made to the schedule.
- All schedules will be posted online at [ectb.org](http://ectb.org) the Tuesday prior to the week of the tournament.
- Every schedule will also contain the "Rained Out" code which will be used in case of weather cancellations via text messages.
- Schedules will also include all field directors contact information. The ECTB office is not open on weekends so please contact them if you need assistance.

- **Insurance**

- All teams are required to have proof of insurance. Teams are required to submit a copy of their team insurance listing the following as additional insured: ECTB Holdings, LLC 1008 South Howard Street Allentown, PA 18103.
- Team's that don't already have team insurance, can purchase insurance directly through ECTB. The policy will become effective the day after purchase until 12/31/20.

- **Rosters**

- All teams are required to submit a team roster under their ECTB account online. The only information that is needed is the player name, birth date & jersey if available. If you don't have access to enter your roster under your online account then you can email this information to [Stacey.Hamersly@ectb.org](mailto:Stacey.Hamersly@ectb.org). Teams will NOT be able to participate without an emailed or uploaded roster online!! No EXPECTATIONS!
- Teams will NOT need to submit a team waiver moving forward in 2020.

- **Birth Certificates**
  - It is your responsibility to carry a copy of each of your player's birth certificates on you in case of a challenge to provide them to the field director at each game.
  
- **Hotel Accommodations**
  - If your team requires hotels accommodations you **MUST** use Creative Travel Group to make your hotel reservations. You can use the following link <http://creativetravelgroup.com/ectb/> to make your reservations online. For further assistance you can also contact Peggy at 813-875-4155 ext 303 or by email at [Peggy@creativetravelgroup.com](mailto:Peggy@creativetravelgroup.com) and she will most certainly help you with any hotel reservations you may need for yourself or your team.
  
- **Gate Fees**
  - The following fields do have a \$5 gate admissions fee per day for anyone of the ages of 8 years old (players and coaches are fee).
    - ECTB Stadium
    - Patriots Park
    - LTAA
    - Sammy Balliet Stadium
  
- **Baseballs**
  - Baseballs will be provided by ECTB at each game by the field director.
  
- **Weather Policy**
  - If 0 games have been played all teams will received a FULL tournament voucher to apply towards a future ECTB tournament.
  - 1 game played teams will receive a 50% tournament voucher
  - 2 games played teams will receive NO voucher
    - There are no CASH refunds available!! Only tournament vouchers will be issued.
  
- **Rules**
  - **Batting**
    - 9U-12U, a BPF 1.15 USSSA, BBCOR or USA Baseball designation must be displayed on the bat ( no other weight or diameter restrictions)
    - 13U, a BPF 1.15 USSSA, BBCOR or USA Baseball designation must be displayed on the bat and may not exceed -5.
    - 14U-19U, the bat must have BBCOR or USA Baseball designation and may not exceed -3.
    - Wood bat tournaments can only be played with single solid wood bats. This means no composite and no bamboo.
    - All tournaments are Aluminum unless listed on the website as "WOOD" and listed in "Orange".
  - **Pitching**

- For age divisions 9u and up, there are NO pitching restrictions. For age divisions 8u and under, please review Section H5-8U and Under Player pitch in our ECTB Rulebook found on our website under the “Information Tab” at the top of the page.
- All pitchers once removed from the mound in any game may not return to pitch in the same game.
- 8U-10U no balks, 11U-12U 1 warning per pitcher, 13U-18U no warnings.
- **Stealing Rule**
  - Free stealing is allowed for age groups 11u and older.
  - 8u and 9u Divisions:
    - Players can not steal home in 9U division. The only way a player can advance home from third base is the ball must offensively (batted) put in play or a bases loaded walk.
    - 8u and 9u cannot steal home.
    - 9u/10u divisions: Players may not leave his/her base until the ball leaves the pitchers hand.
    - 8u players must wait until the ball crosses the plate to steal.
- **Mercy Ruling**
  - Twelve (12) Run Lead after three (3) complete innings. (if the visiting team is winning by twelve (12) or more after the top of the third inning, the home team must bat for the inning to be complete. If the home team is head by twelve (12) runs at the start of the third inning, the visiting team will bat in the top of the third and if they do not come back, the game will be complete.
  - Ten (10) Run Lead after four (4) complete innings
  - Eight (8) Run Lead after five (5) complete innings

We ask that as you review our policies & procedures outline here and in our rulebook <https://ectb.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/ECTB-2020-Rulebook.pdf> and you bear in mind that these policies have been created and are upheld to provide a standard way of conducting our organization. Everyone is treated fair and equal-no one is given partial treatment over another. We at ECTB including our office staff, field directors, umpires and field maintenance crews work diligently to provide your teams with the best quality tournaments.

We look forward to having your team with us for another season!

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