

Greencastle-Antrim Baseball/Softball Association

Rules & Regulations of the Greencastle-Antrim Baseball/Softball Association

Article 1

Section 1 The official name of the association is the Greencastle-Antrim Baseball/Softball Association. The association will organize an independent baseball league for youth's league ages five to eighteen and an independent softball league for youth's league ages five to eighteen.

Section 2 No admission will be charged to any game.

Section 3 No tobacco products are permitted in dugouts, bleacher area, concession stand area, playing fields, buildings and warm up areas.

Section 4 No bicycles, rollerblades and skateboards are permitted within the Concession stand area as posted throughout the complex.

Section 5 No pets are permitted within the Complex area as posted throughout the complex.

Article II

Section 1 The purpose of the Greencastle-Antrim Baseball/Softball Association is to organize, educate, and train youths for a baseball/softball programs in the Greencastle-Antrim area on a basis where citizenship and the ideals of good sportsmanship and fair play will be practiced and promoted.

Section 2 Players will be taught the fundamentals of baseball/softball. The safety, health, and welfare of each individual player will be the first and primary consideration by managers and coaches.

Article III

Section 1 All persons desiring to be a manager will submit their name to the league chairperson. The chairperson of the respective league will submit the names before the Board of Directors for approval no later than the March meeting. The chairperson will notify all candidates of the Board's decision. Prior to acceptance, a manager may be asked to authorize a background check according to league rules and sign a code of conduct.

Section 2 All managers must be present at the annual manager's meeting. They will present the name of their team mother to the concession committee by March 1st of the current year. All teams are required to be represented at the meeting.

Section 3 All managers will be held responsible for the fundraising efforts set forth by the Board of Directors.

Section 4 League chairpersons will present the Board with their rules and regulations by opening day for availability in the concession stand.

Section 5 All managers shall be approved by the Board of Directors annually, by a majority vote of the quorum. (Refer to Article IV, Section 7 of the Constitution)

Section 6 The Board of Directors with a 2/3 majority vote, of the required quorum, may dismiss any manager or coach if his/her actions are deemed detrimental to the association. (Refer to Article III, Section 4 of the Constitution) No one will be permitted to manage two teams simultaneously except if approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 7 All tournament managers/coaches shall be approved by the Board of Directors by a majority vote and attend a tournament manager/coaches meeting.

Section 8 All Board Members, Managers, Coaches, Score Keepers, or any other person who is in direct contact with players shall be required to submit the following clearances; Pennsylvania Child Abuse Clearance, Pennsylvania Criminal Record Check for Volunteers, Federal Bureau of Investigations Criminal background check, and Little League Volunteer Application. Clearances must be on file before any interaction with players before the first practice of the current season and turned into the Background Committee to then represent to the Board of Directors.

Article VI

Section 1 All players must participate in the fundraiser by either donation at registration or participation in selling, which will be set by the Board of Directors.

Article VII

Section 1 The Board of Directors will determine the signup dates for each year. Board approval will be necessary for participation of players who are not timely registered.

Section 2 Registration will be set by the association for regular season ball, fall ball and tournament ball.

Section 3 In order to ascertain proper age at registration, all youths that are registering with GABSA for the first time must submit proof of age and parent/guardian permission to participate in the program.

Section 4 Any "player" beginning their tender in the Greencastle-Antrim Baseball/Softball Association may continue after moving if no break in play in accordance with league.

Section 5 All rain-out or postponed games will take precedence over any practices to be held.

Section 6 No play will continue after a game is officially over due to insurance regulations.

Section 7 Birth dates for determining League age eligibility:
Cut off date for softball will be December 31st/January 1st.
Cut off date for baseball will be August 31st/September 1st.
League age is determined by the age that the player will turn after September 1st through August 31st of that league year.

Section 8 Softball players must be league six (6) years of age.

Section 9 Rookie League baseball players must be league six (6) and must not exceed league age

eight (8) years of age.

Section 10 Little League baseball players may start at league eight (8) years of age. Though league age eight (8) players will first be subject to evaluation by the Board of Director and Coaches for roster fulfillment requirements between Rookie and Minor league division.

Section 11 Little League softball players must be league eight (8) years of age.

Section 12 Maximum age of a Little League baseball player must not exceed league twelve (12) years of age and maximum age of Major League softball player must not exceed league thirteen (13) years of age.

Maximum age of a Girls Fast Pitch League player must not exceed league eighteen (18) years of age.

Maximum age of a Boys Junior League player must not exceed league fourteen (14) years of age unless league fifteen (15) years of age are waived to play.

Maximum age of a Boys Senior League player must not exceed league sixteen (16) years of age.

Section 13 Boys Little League official playing rules will be as published by Little League Baseball, Inc. Williamsport, PA except as amended by local league rules.

Section 14 Boys Jr/Sr League official playing rules will be as published by Little League Baseball, Inc. Williamsport, PA, except as amended for local league rules.

Section 15 Girls Fast Pitch League official playing rules will be as published by USSSA/ASA Softball, except as amended by local league rules.

Section 16 All players for baseball and softball leagues will play a minimum of two innings in the field and have a minimum of one at bat per game.

Article IX

Section 1 All parents or guardians will be required to work the concession stand as assigned to the teams.

Section 2 A concession stand meeting for teams will be held each March and will be a mandatory meeting. If the team person is unable to attend, they must appoint someone to fill in.

Section 3 Each team person will receive a letter outlining their responsibilities as a team person for the concession stand.

Section 4 No persons under age fourteen (14) will be permitted in the concession stand without adult supervision.

Section 5 All rainouts or postponed games must be rescheduled with the Concession Stand Committee.

Article X

Section 1 All tournament games scheduled during regular play season shall be approved by the

Executive Officers of the Board of Directors.

Section 2 All rosters including managers and coaches and dates of the tournaments will be handed in to the appropriate league director prior to the first tournament play.

Section 3 Tournament teams shall be selected based on the criteria of each league.

Section 4 All players must be members of the Greencastle-Antrim Baseball/Softball Association and have participated in at least on half of the league games excluding injury and illness.

Section 5 All regular season practices will take first priority over tournament practices.

Section 6 Tournament team managers/coaches are responsible for registering for the tournaments that they select to participate in.

Section 7 Tournament team managers/coaches will select players by June 1st. The Custom uniforms of their team would then be designed by manager/coaches, which the Parents/Guardians of the players will be responsible for the costs. All GABSA team uniforms must comply with approved GABSA colors and design.

Section 8 Small fund raisers are allowed and encouraged. All fund raiser or monetary donation plans must be brought to and approved by the fundraising committee and/or league directors. All donations for tournament play or uniforms should be made payable to a business or organization. Checks or cash given to a team manager or coach is prohibited unless approved by the Executive Officers of the Board of Directors.