

Fallball Games & Practices – Protocols

- 1.Home team takes diamond attendance. Attendance sheet will be held for up to 30 days by coach of that team. Late attendees should check in with home team so they will be on attendance.
- 2.Visiting team should email families to let them know COVID-19 protocols of the park they are attending (no more than 1 spectator per family of player is requested at this time).
- 3.If there is a suspected case: family should notify VMBA coach with **name & date of game**, then our coach will notify our president or risk manager.
- 4.**Home team** should arrive no more than 1 hour prior or no later than 35 minutes before each game. **Away team** can arrive 35 minutes prior to game time. This should promote staggered arrivals or entrance to the park by teams.
- 5.After the game: players & spectators should exit (park or field) right away. This should hopefully prevent cross contamination of our bubbles.
- 6.**Batting order exchanged** done by email day of the game. If game is in the morning it should be emailed 2 hours prior.
- 7.**Masks** are suggested for close contact use for players & volunteers but not mandatory. VMBA coaches will be provided a mask for their use only. VMBA is not providing masks for players. Players who wish to wear them should bring their own mask as suggested in registration.
- 8.**Umpires** will stand in new areas as directed by BCBUA.

Actual game rules 13U & 15

Spring pitching limits

13U 1-35 pitches = no rest

36-55 pitches = 2 nights rest

56-75 pitches = 3 nights rest

15U 1-35 pitches = no rest

36-65 pitches = 2 nights rest

66-85 pitches = 3 nights rest

1. Length of game time - 2 ½ hours or 7 innings- No new inning can begin after 2 hours and 15 minutes from start of the game.
2. Run limits (per inning) – 4 runs max.
3. Tag plays, plays at home, base stealing, lead offs run downs – Yes
4. No call ups but yes to borrowing players from the other team at the field if team is short in numbers.
5. Baseballs used 6-12 approximately. When home the team is up their balls are used & when away team is up their balls are in use. Balls should be sanitized every half inning.
6. Carded umpires not required at this time.

Suggestion: Both teams are to bring bucket of 6-12 baseballs for game play. The defensive team's baseballs will be used each ½ inning e.g. in a game between VMBA and BBA: if BBA is up to bat, the baseballs in use for this ½ inning will be those of VMBA.

All foul balls are to be disinfected before being put into play.

Suggestion to have 1-2 volunteers to maintain cleaning of baseballs and team bats during game play.

Games to start Sept 12, 2020 and end Oct 12, 2020 - Games will be on weekends.

Parks currently used – Nanaimo, Ron McClean, Kensington Possibly, Bonser.