

OF PLAY

1. All Major League Baseball and Babe Ruth rules apply. These rules can be found in the Babe Ruth rule book provided.
2. The infield fly rule is in effect, this rule prevents the infield players from creating a double or triple play situation by intentionally dropping a fly ball in the infield. This rule will apply if 1st and 2nd or 1st, 2nd, and 3rd bases are occupied and there are less than two outs. So long as the ball stays in play (not ruled foul) the batter is out and the runners can advance at their own risk.
3. Fake bunts are not allowed. If a batter shows bunt, draws his/her bat back and swings with intent to hit the ball, the batter will be called out. This rule was adapted for the safety of the infielders who will be at a dangerously close position if the batter connects with the ball.
4. All players will be placed according to the draft rules accordingly.
5. **Pitch Smart rules apply.**
6. An extra player (EP) may be used in any game to expand the batting lineup to 10 positions. This EP will be treated as any other position and remain on the lineup card through the duration of the game.
7. There will be no balks enforced.
8. Base runners are only allowed to steal after the ball has crossed home plate. Leading off while the pitcher is in the set position is not allowed (reason for rule #7). Once the pitcher has returned to his set position and the catcher is ready to receive the ball any base runner who has stopped forward progress must return to their previous base occupied. See the special base running rule in the Babe Ruth rule book for clarification.
9. All players present are required to play a minimum of 2 defensive innings and have one at bat per game. Exceptions to this would only apply due to injury, and behavior issues (which should be brought to the attention of the player relations agent, and parents). If a player does not have their required defensive innings or at bat due to a game ending prior to their spot in the lineup coming up, said player shall start the following game.

**ALL OTHER SILVER STATE CAL RIPKEN BASEBALL, INC. GENERAL RULES
AND BABE RUTH CAL RIPKEN DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS ARE IN EFFECT.**