



RBI Austin Internal Rules and Regulations

RBI Austin follows NFHS rules.

RBI Austin rules supersede NFHS rules.

If a rule is not in the RBI Austin rule book, defer to NFHS.

RBI 15U & 18U BASEBALL LEAGUE REGULAR SEASON RULES

- I. **Lineup/Substitution Rules**
 - a. Open substitution is allowed (but players may NOT change spots in the lineup)
 - b. May hit more than 9 batters if desired (coach decision).
- II. **Time limit:** No new inning can begin after 1 hour, 50 minutes. Once an inning begins, that inning must be completed. If home team is ahead, they don't have to bat in that final inning.
 - a. **In the second game of the doubleheader, there will be a reset break between the game, time is up to coaches discretion. Not to exceed 15 minutes.**
- III. **Mercy Rule:** 10 after 5 innings
- IV. **Inning run limit:** there will NOT be any run limit per inning.
- V. **Ejections**
 - a. If a player or coach is ejected by an umpire for ANY reason, they are suspended for the NEXT GAME.
 - b. Player must be in attendance, in dugout, for suspension to count.
 - c. Coach may not be in dugout for suspension.
- VI. **Pitch Count & Rest**

DAILY MAX (PITCHES IN GAME)	REQUIRED REST (PITCHES)				
	0 Days	1 Days	2 Days	3 Days	4 Days
100	1-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76+

- VII. **Scorekeeping**
 - a. Official scorekeeping will be taken by home team. *After each game, text Austin Walker (512-468-8416) with final score.*
 - b. Please use GameChanger, Iscore, or a paperbook – if no phone/tablet is available to use GameChanger, paper scorebook will be accepted.
- VIII. **Lightning Policy**
 - Use Little League WeatherBug app to detect lightning
 - If detection of thunder or lightning within 10 miles:
 - Play must be stopped and everyone required to seek shelter in a building or car
 - Play will be delayed 30 minutes after last lightning strike
 - Play will be resumed if lightning is no longer a threat

2017 RBI Playoff Rules

Same as regular season rules with below exceptions and additions.

Playoff rules listed below supersede regular season rules.

- I. Only players who played in **50% or more** of his team's regular season RBI games are eligible for playoffs.
- II. **Lineup/Substitution Rules**
 - a. 9 hitters in the batting lineup – DH is available
 - b. A starter can be subbed for and re-entered once
- III. **If a game ends in a tie, the following will determine which team advances to the next round:**
 - a. Number of baserunners to reach 3rd base. If still tied, then:
 - b. Number of baserunners to reach 2nd base. If still tied, then:
 - c. Number of baserunners to reach 1st base. If still tied, then:
 - d. Coin flip.
 - e. **The decision that is made and agreed upon at home plate at the end of the game will be the FINAL DECISION.**
- IV. **In the event of a tie in seeding**, the tiebreaker will be: *Runs allowed, Runs for, coin flip*
- V. **Players can only play on one team in the playoffs.**
 - a. If they've played on both a Junior team and a Senior team, they must pick one team for the playoffs.
- VI. **Championship games will be a full 7 innings.** No time limit.
- VII. **Mercy rules:** 15 after 3 innings, 10 after 5 innings.
- VIII. **Home/Away decision**
 - a. Senior Division: highest seed will be home team until Championship/Consolation game. Championship/Consolation will be determined by coin flip at home.
 - b. Junior Division: coin flip to determine home team in each game.

2017 RBI Regional Selections

- I. Eligibility
 - a. Only players who played in **50% or more** of his team's regular season RBI games are eligible for Regional Play. Ex: 12 total games, players must play in 6.
 - b. **RBI Staff must have official scorebooks as proof of 6 games participation**
 - c. Age cutoffs
 - i. 15U – 15 years old as of April 30, 2017 (players can be 13 or 14 as well)
 - ii. 18U – 18 years old as of April 30, 2017 (players can be 16 or 17 as well)
 - II. **Teams (15U & 18U)**
 - a. RBI High School Committee will select 15 players from each respective age group to represent RBI Austin in SW Regional & RBI World Series
 - i. Regional teams will be comprised of players from multiple teams, one team cannot fill the 15 roster spots.
 - ii. RBI High School Committee will notify up to 3 alternates for each team in the event of injury, failure to adhere to team policy, or other items up to the discretion of the Regional Coaches.
 - iii. **Players must let RBI Austin Staff/Regional Coaches know if they are committed to participating within 48 hours after the Regional Team Meeting by:**
 - 1. Turning in Player/Parent Regional Contract signed by player and his parent(s).
 - 2. Paying a deposit of \$200 to be refunded after 100% of player's Regional sponsorship funds are turned in to RBI Austin.
- *If above two requirements are not met within 48 hours, that player's spot on the team may be surrendered per the discretion of the RBI High School Committee.**