



Broadway Optimist Baseball 2008 League Rules and Guidelines

The goal and objective of the Broadway Optimist Baseball League is to provide an enjoyable, instructional, and equitable baseball program for all kids while promoting a safe playing environment and emphasizing good sportsmanship.

1. The Broadway Optimist Baseball Committee (BOBC) shall govern all matters concerning the baseball league, including rule interpretation and disciplinary actions. All decisions rendered by the Broadway Optimist Baseball Committee will be FINAL.
2. Dual Participation in other baseball leagues is prohibited – Exceptions will only be made for traveling teams where there is no conflict with the published game schedule.
3. All Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches must be Cal Ripken certified, complete a Volunteer Application and be approved by the Broadway Optimist Baseball Committee.
4. There will be a 10:00PM curfew on all games; no inning may begin after 10:00PM. The only exception will be in case of a tie, where the game will continue until a winner is determined. If a winner has not been determined by 10:30PM, the game will be suspended and a continuation game will be scheduled on the 1st available date.
5. Only approved Broadway Optimist Baseball League uniforms are allowed during a game. (reference Uniform Guidelines for additional information)
6. All players must wear athletic shoes with rubber cleats. **NO METAL CLEATS ALLOWED!**
7. A 10 run rule and a 20 run slaughter rule will be in effect for ALL GAMES.
 - a. If there is a 10 run lead after 4 complete innings or 3 ½ innings with the Home team ahead, the game will be called.
 - b. If 20 runs are scored in one (1) complete inning, and the Home team has batted, the game will be called.
8. Players are required to play with-in their respective age groups. The age groups will be determined by the Broadway Optimist Baseball League as governed by Babe Ruth League baseball rules and regulations age restriction date. This date is currently set as April 30th. Players will not be allowed to play-up unless a Player Play-up Petition is filed with the League President prior to teams being selected. (Once teams have been selected, Play-up petitions will not be accepted.) The League President and the Broadway Optimist Baseball Committee reserves the right to reject any / all Play-up Petitions. All decisions rendered by the Broadway Optimist Baseball Committee will be FINAL.
9. Disciplinary Process:
 - a. All issues / complaints shall be reported to any member of BOBC.
 - b. The BOBC will review all issues / complaints and determine what actions if any are required to address the issue / complaint including disciplinary action.
 - i. Where possible, the Board of Directors of the Broadway Optimist Club will be informed of all issues / complaints requiring disciplinary action prior to execution.
 - c. The parties involved will be notified of the actions taken by the BOBC.
 - d. All decisions rendered by the BOBC will be final.