

2009 Open League

Women League Regulations

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I. Organizer

Hong Kong Baseball Association

II. Competition Format

1. Double Ribbons , the two teams with the highest points will go to the Championship game.
2. Organizer has the right to change the competition format if the original can't successfully implement due to weather or other special condition.

III. Competition Rules

1. Will follow the international baseball rules and local competition rules.
2. Game ball: hardball, provided by organizer.
3. Base distance : 90feets
4. Pitcher distance : 60foots 6inches
5. Time and inning limit of each game :
 - A. 120mins per game , nine batter rule is apply;
 - B. Chief umpire will announce draw game if both teams have the same score after the time and inning limit.
 - C. Mercy rule will apply if the score different is more or equal to 15 points before 4th inning or the leader will take the bat in the bottom of the 3rd inning .
 - D. After the 4th inning start, if score different is more than 10 points, the game will cut.
 - E. 30mins before the time limit, no new inning will start.
 - F. Official game must compete two innings.
6. Due to bad weather or other special condition, chief umpire will announce cut game. If 2 innings had already competed or the leader takes the bat in bottom of 2 inning, the result will be effective.
7. All uniform or equipment follows the international baseball rules.

IV. Points calculation

Ranking method:

1. Winner get 2 points, loser get 0 point, draw get 1 point. Higher points rank first.
2. If two teams have the same points, team with absent record will rank behind.
3. Teams with same points , winning team rank higher.
4. Teams with same points , team with less loss point rank higher.
5. Teams with same points , team with more gain point rank higher.
6. Drawing decide the ranking.

V. Umpires

Assigned by organizer.

VI. Equipments

Teams responsible for the equipments

VII. Explanation right of the game rules

Organizer has the final right to the explanation of the game rules

VIII. Important information

1. We only have Champion and first runners up, a trophy and 20 medals will distribute to the teams.
2. Teams have to prepare their only equipments during the games.
3. The “official shoulder patch” must put on the left hand side of the uniform ;
4. Each team should submit the roster list 15 mins before the game start ;
5. Team that absents the game will penalize HK\$1000, which will be deducted from the deposit. If the team wants to continue the remaining games, they must pay the deposit to HKBA again three days or more before the coming game. If team inform HKBA in written format seven days before the game date, no penalty is apply and the result will be 7-0 loss.
6. Manager and coach must attend the manager meeting.
7. All players must wear the uniform under the international baseball regulation;
8. All players and teams must respect to the decision of umpires and show appropriate sportsmanship;
9. The home team of the first game responsible to the field setup and the home team of the last game responsible to put back all field equipment;
10. For any protest, the team coach must inform the chief umpire immediately and submit HK\$1000 deposit to HKBA accordingly.
11. All payment will not have any refund unless they are mentioned.
12. Deposit will send back to team after all games finish.
13. All teams and registration players must follow the rules and regulations from HKBA
14. Organizer will inform all teams in 14days before if the schedule change ;
15. After the registration date, HK\$300 will charge for any change of the team and it will take 14 days for effective. No player transfer is accepting.
16. If there is no cancellation announce before the game, all teams must arrive the venue. If teams have any question, you can contact game committee, Mr. Au (9755 0064).

Remarks: HKBA has the right to revise the above regulations under different situation.