## **Carillon Minor Baseball 2019**

## 18U Coaches Handbook CMBA League Games

## NEW FOR 2019:

Carillon 18U AAA players can be involved with community league teams if they choose to (but they may opt out). If they choose to play community, these players may have to miss some games/practices for AAA activities and some pitchers will have restrictions on whether they can pitch in community league. This will be based on skill level (the top end pitchers will not be allowed to pitch) and need for upcoming AAA games. The AAA coaching staff will communicate with community coaches on this. Community coaches are encouraged to develop the non-AAA talent on their team and not rely on AAA players. This includes having community level practices with or without AAA players attending. AAA players will not be eligible to pitch in the year end playoffs.

1. Two good baseballs and one new ball are to be used to start the game.

2. Base distance 90 feet. Pitching distance 60' 6".

3. League assigns umpires and home team is responsible for paying them.

## **UMP FEES**

Single game - 2 man- Plate \$55 bases \$45, 1 man \$80

Doubleheader - 2 man- Plate \$45 per game, bases \$35 per game (Therefore if the same guy does plate for both games he gets \$90 for the evening)

1 man- \$65 per game

Mileage is included in these fees. (In some situations mileage may need to be paid, but Ump in Chief will let Association Rep

4. All weeknight games start at 6:45. (Home team should be done their infield warmup by 6:30). All doubleheaders start at 6:00. Second game start time is approximately 7:30 or 15 min after first game ends. Double headers are 5 inning games.

5. Line-up cards must be presented to the umpire at the start of the game.

6. Carillon Community league games are scheduled for 7 innings for 18U.

7. All innings consist of 3 outs or 6 run max.

8. The mercy rule - Single game: 10 runs after 5 innings is in play. Doubleheader: 7 runs after 4.

9. All players bat and must be placed in the batting line-up. Injured players are removed from lineup and an out is not recorded in their spot in the order. Defensive substitutions, other than pitching, are unlimited.

10. A team may play with less than 9 players in the line-up. The empty spots in the batting order are not considered outs.

11. A player cannot play pitcher and then play catcher in the same game. The first pitch thrown by a pitcher makes him ineligible to play catcher. A player may go from catcher to pitcher.

12. PITCHING RULES: Be sure to adhere to the pitch count rules for 18U. The maximum pitch count does not mean that is a suggested pitch count. The baseball LTAD plan and the CMBA encourages coaches to limit pitchers to 45 pitches (or less) until June 1st or a later date to ensure arm strength has been built to an appropriate level to reduce chances of arm injuries. The more pitchers you use each week the stronger your team and program will become. If a player from 15U is pulled up to pitch he must adhere to the 15U pitch count rules.

13. AAA players are eligible to pitch, but it is encouraged to use non-AAA players especially if the AAA player in question gets innings at that level. AAA coaches may inform community coaches that some pitchers are not eligible for some or all community games.

14. Coaches should be aware of other CMBA, Baseball Manitoba, and Baseball Canada rules and bylaws.

15. All postponed games should be scheduled (ideally played) within 1 week of the postponement. <u>stats@carillonbaseball.ca</u> and <u>fordeofcanada@gmail.com</u> need to be informed of all cancellations and remakes.

16. League playoffs for the community league will be held. The winners of these playoffs do not advance to provincials.

17. CMBA reps for AA provincials will be a regional AA team.