

ALABAMA DIAMOND YOUTH BASEBALL

'A' (6 & under) Coach Pitch Tournament Rules

The following rules are to be used exclusively for 'A' division district and state tournament play in Alabama.

The Alabama DYB 'AA' division rules that are currently in use will be the basic set of rules for 'A' division play except the rules noted below:

- * Baselines shall be 50 feet. (Board Vote on 3-5-24)
- * A 10' diameter circle will be used for the pitching area with the center of the circle being 33' from the back edge of home plate.
- * All bat rules will apply the same as in other divisions.
- * Regular baseballs will be used in 'A' tournament play.
- * The pitching coach has the option to pitch overhand or underhand AND has the option to pitch from a standing position or on one knee. All other coach pitch regulations would remain as the Alabama "AA" rules state.
- * A regulation game shall be six (6) innings for tournament play in all 'A' games unless the 10 or 15-run rule applies (Fifteen runs after three (3) innings or ten runs after four (4) innings).
- * **A team may score a maximum of seven (7) runs per half-inning (including the last inning).** Once the play ends with time being called by an umpire, the inning would be over. Appeals would still be allowed to be made if there is still one defensive player on the field of play in fair territory when the appeal is made. Appeals may be made physically by a defensive player or verbally by the head coach. If runs are removed due to a legal appeal, the inning would remain completed.

A game would be over if a team were mathematically prevented from tying or winning.