

## 2018 OPBA League Rule Reference Chart

### Oriole Park Baseball Association

League / Ages (as of 2017-18 school year)	Boys Midget
<b>Minimum # of Players</b>	8 to start / There are outs against when vacant spot comes up in the battering order
<b>Ball</b>	Hard ball
<b>Length of Bases</b>	70 ft.
<b>Pitching distance</b>	50 ft.
<b>Regulation Games</b>	7 innings
<b>Game Limits</b>	Reg. Season- 2hours or 7 innings
<b>Mercy Rule</b>	12 runs after 4 innings/ 10 after 5 innings
<b>Number of Fielders</b>	9 position players/each player will play on the field for a minimum of 3 innings- this will be strictly enforced
<b>Inning Ends</b>	3 outs or 6 runs, whichever is 1st (except 7th inning or mutually agreed upon last inning)
<b>Overthrows</b>	Advance any base at runners own risk while ball is live
<b>Number of Batters</b>	Entire Team
<b>Bunting</b>	Yes (Once bunt is shown the batter must bunt or pull back and take the pitch)
<b>Infield Fly Rule</b>	Yes
<b>Dropped 3<sup>rd</sup> Strike</b>	Yes
<b>Stealing</b>	Allowed to steal any base at runners own risk while live ball
<b>Hit by Pitch</b>	Awarded 1st Base if a direct hit or on one bounce,
<b>Lead-offs</b>	Yes
<b>Coach Pitch</b>	No
<b>Inning Limits</b>	3 innings/game 12 innings/week 14 innings in playoffs
<b>Walks</b>	Yes
<b>Hit Batter - Remove Pitcher</b>	3 batters (that are awarded 1st base)/inning or 3 batters/game
<b>Special Notes</b>	

This chart is for quick reference only. Please refer to your full copy of rules for any questions or clarifications. Rules may differ for the playoffs. An updated sheet will be sent out as it gets closer to the tournament if needed. (Revised 2-28-18)