

5/6 Harrison Early Bird Tournament Rules

1. Tournament will be played following the Dizzy Dean rule book with exceptions made by Harrison Recreation.
2. Ages 5/6 will be (1) hour (10) Minutes or 6 innings. No new inning will start after time limit runs out in pool play only. Extra inning will be played in bracket player to decide a winning team. Championship game will not have a time limit. **Each team to supply 2 balls, 1 new and 1 playable**
3. Pool Play can end in a tie. **Pool play is drop dead (1) hour (10) Minute time limit.**
4. Must use approved legal bats. All bats must be stamped 1.15 BPF. **This rule will be highly enforced by the umpires and league officials.** Any coach or players caught using an illegal bat will be subject to the penalties of Dizzy Dean Baseball and could result in suspension or removal from coaching.
5. No pick up players will be allowed unless the tournament director and both coaches agree. Only then will the pickup player bat last and play right field. You can only pick up if you have less than 9 players. Bat all and play all players.
6. Any player playing pitcher circle must wear either a helmet with a mask or a face guard shield. Catchers are only required to wear a helmet with a mask. Full catching equipment is not required until All-Stars.
7. 5 run maximum per inning. Each batter will receive 5 pitches or 3 strikes per at bat.
8. Home team will be determined by coin toss. Home team will be the official scorekeeper.
9. Forfeit at any time and you are out of the tournament. **NO REFUNDS!**
10. If time is called with five (5) minutes or less on the clock, the clock will be stopped. Time will not expire due to time out being called at the end of the game. This is for bracket play only.
11. Each team will be given four (4) coaches passes. You must present them at the gate or pay regular admission of \$3.00 Monday-Thursday, \$5.00 Friday/Saturday/Sunday. Senior Citizens \$2.00
12. If a batted ball is fielded on the 3rd base side of the pitchers line and an attempt is made to get the out at 1st base, those players must make a thrown attempt to 1st base. You would not be able to run a batter down to 1st base in this scenario, but you can run a player down at 2nd base, 3rd base, or home plate. **Penalty-Batter safe at 1st base.**
13. If a batted ball is fielded on the 1st base side of the pitchers line and an attempt is made to get the out at 3rd base, those players must make a thrown attempt to 3rd base. You would not be able to run a player down at 3rd base in this scenario, but you could run the batter down at 1st base, 2nd base, or home plate. **Penalty-Runner safe at 3rd base.**
14. If the batted ball is fielded **INSIDE** the pitchers circle, a thrown attempt must be made to **ALL** bases except for home plate. The player would be able to run and either tag home plate or tag the runner. **Penalty-Safe at 1st base, 2nd base, or 3rd base, depending on which base the attempt was made at.**
15. Tee Rule- Batter #7 and down are the only eligible batters in the lineup to use the tee. Batter can go on or come off the tee at any time in the game or any pitch count in the at bat. We will play 5 pitches or 3 strikes per batter.
*****If a coach is found to be abusing the Tee Rule, he or she will be dealt with on an individual basis by the age group director and or league officials. We all can see who needs the tee and who doesn't so please do not abuse this rule. *****
16. If a coach or league official feels a player is having concussion like symptoms, they **MUST** remove the player from participation. The player will not be able to return to participation until he has a signed off letter from a certified medical physician and a league official.

In case of inclement weather, the tournament director reserves the right to change tournament play. It is the responsibility of each coach to keep up with any schedule changes. You will be able to get updates through Harrison Recreation Field House phone number at 344-3314, Harrison Recreation website at (harrisonrecreation.com), Facebook page at ([harrisonrec](https://www.facebook.com/harrisonrec)), and or twitter page ([@harrison_rec](https://twitter.com/harrison_rec)).

No Coolers or outside food allowed in the park. One dug out cooler with a cooler tag provided by Harrison Recreation will be allowed. We will check coolers. No pets allowed. No skateboarding or scooter, etc. allowed in the park.