

Baseball Players Association Rule Changes 2016-2017

Rule 3

Equipment

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Section: 3

Motion was proposed that the bat numerically be changed from 15 years and above to 13-14 years and above.

The proposal was amended to: it shall be a State Director option to enforce in the 13-14 age divisions. If the Director uses the option in the 13 and/or 14 age groups, the Director must post its use on all tournament information. World Series Directors have the same option and obligation to post the rule to be used in all tournament information.

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Addition to the existing rule and shall read: A hat is considered part of the uniform and should be alike in color, style and design.

Rule 6

Pitching

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Section: 5 (b-g)

Delete the letter "b" and then add the following to the current letter "g"

A pitcher shall not have in his possession, or on his person or apply any foreign substance to the ball.

PENALTY: Immediate ejection of the player and coach.

Rule Coach Pitch

Coach Pitch

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Section 1 (l)

Addition to the existing rule:

Add the dimensions of the pitcher's circle. A circle with a radius of 8 feet, centered 40 feet from home plate and used for both coach pitch and machine pitch.

Rule Machine Pitch

Machine Pitch

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Section: 1 (m)

Addition to the existing rule.

If a batted ball hits the adult pitcher or the pitching machine, the ball becomes dead. The batter and any baserunner(s) shall advance 1 base. Baserunners do NOT have to be forced.

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Add to the existing rule.

The rule shall now read: If the batted ball hits the adult pitcher, the ball becomes dead. The batter and any baserunner(s) shall all advance 1 base. Baserunners do NOT have to advance.

Coach Pitch

Section: 2 (I)