



Buffalo Hanover Baseball Association

Definitions and Levels of Play

INTRODUCTION

Below includes the definitions for the traveling baseball team

TRAVELING BASEBALL PLAYING DEFINITIONS

Playing is qualified by a minimum of 8 innings at a said position with no less than 2 consecutive innings per game and no less than 2 games to allow for game experience and development throughout the season.

All players will need to start at least 6 games during the season.

"Playing" a position (does not include pitching). Pitching "opportunities" are defined below.

AAA/AA teams will consist of approximately 10-12 players.

A team will be comprised of remaining pools up to 12 players. If we have enough players for multiple teams, players will be split equally.

The below guidelines are highly suggested and approved by the buffalo baseball board

BUFFALO HANOVER BASEBALL PLAYING POSITIONS GUIDELINES

AAA/AA

9/10/11U-At least **4** positions (OF is comprised of 2 positions-Center and Corners)

12/13U-At least **3** positions (OF is comprised of 2 positions-Center and Corners).

14U on up will be at coach's discretion.

- Players will be given opportunity to play all positions in practice and be placed in the best position to succeed and help the team in games.
- Tournaments/ League playoffs player rotation may/can be minimized.
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9/10/11U- At least **5** positions (OF is comprised of 3 positions)

12/13U At least **4** positions (OF is comprised of 3 positions)

14/15U on up will be at coach's discretion.

- Players will be given opportunity to play all positions in practice and be placed in the best position to have players success.
- Team is geared towards player and overall competitive development.
 - Team record is not an indication of success.

BUFFALO HANOVER BASEBALL PITCHING GUIDELINES

AAA MINIMUM PITCHING GUIDELINES

9/10/11U- 6 innings throughout the season. An inning is justified by getting three defensive outs or 20 pitches. These guidelines are for all players unless said player/ and or parent notifies the Head Coach they do not want to pitch.

12/13/14U- 4 innings throughout the season. An inning is justified by getting three defensive outs or 25 pitches. These guidelines are for all players unless said player/ and or parent notifies the Head Coach they do not want to pitch.

15U and UP- Will be up to coach's discretion, HS rules will apply.

NOTE Pitched innings listed are minimums. Pitchers may pitch more.

AA/A MINIMUM PITCHING GUIDELINES

9/10/11U- 4 innings throughout the season. An inning is justified by getting three defensive outs or 20 pitches. These guidelines are for all players unless said player/ and or parent notifies the Head Coach they do not want to pitch.

12/13/14U- 3 innings throughout the season. An inning is justified by getting three defensive outs or 25 pitches. These guidelines are for all players unless said player/ and or parent notifies the Head Coach they do not want to pitch.

15U and UP- Will be up to coach's discretion, HS rules will apply.

NOTE Pitched innings listed are minimums. Pitcher may pitch more.

BUFFALO HANOVER BASEBALL CATCHING GUIDELINES

AAA/AA/A MINIMUM CATCHING GUIDELINES

9/10/11U- 4 innings (2-2 innings blocks) consecutively within the season. These guidelines are for all players unless said player/ and or parent notifies the Head Coach they do not want to catch.

12U/ Up- Catchers should be developed by this age and level, BBA will allow for coach's discretion within the guidelines for heat and player safety.

BUFFALO HANOVER BASEBALL BATTING ORDER GUIDELINES- LEAGUE GAMES ONLY

The below guidelines are for all levels of play (AAA,AA,A)

9/10/11/12U- Batting orders for these age levels. Team Batting orders must rotate throughout the season using the guidelines below. The below format is for regular season league games or throughout all games throughout the season. This will be left up to coaches' discretion.

- Each player will be given an opportunity to bat leadoff during the season.
- Each player will be given an opportunity to bat 4th thru 6TH during the season.
- Each player will be given an opportunity to bat 7th and lower during the season.

13U/ Up- Coaches will need to build their lineups accordingly to the following parameters' contact rate, on-base percentage, speed, power and baserunning IQ. Coaches will be able to adjust lineups throughout the season.