

Central Maine Cal Ripken
(Litchfield, Manchester, Monmouth, Mt. Vernon,
Readfield, Sabattus, Wayne, Winthrop)
2010

Major League

Major League will consist of boys ages 11 and 12 and will follow the Babe Ruth of America Cal Ripken League rules. Exceptions and highlights to the rules are as follows:

All boys 11 and 12 years of age on May 1st of that year are eligible for the major leagues.

- 1) League will use an official Babe Ruth approved ball.
- 2) Teams must use a continuous batting order. Everyone at game in batting order
- 3) Players must play at least 2 innings in the field and get 1 at bat per game. This may be waived if game is shortened by 10 run rule, time runs out, or weather.
- 4) The (10) run rule will be in effect after four innings, unless coaches agree to continue playing.
- 5) A pitcher can only pitch 6 innings in a 7 day period.
- 6) A batter may not attempt to bunt and then attempt to hit the ball with a full swing. The batter will automatically be called out upon doing so. This is on a pitch not for the entire at bat.
- 7) A runner should slide at home plate on a close play. In the umpire's discretion, if he feels the play would be close and the runner does not slide, then he will call the runner out.
- 8) The health and safety of every player should be in the forefront of a coach's decision to play baseball in the event of inclement weather or deteriorating visibility due to rain or darkness. If either coach considers the weather conditions to be detrimental in playing the game safely, then the coach reserves the right to suspend the game and reschedule it, if necessary (refer to Babe Ruth League, Inc. Baseball Rule 4.10). If the game is suspended and does not meet the criteria of a Regulation Game in 4.10, then the game shall be resumed at the exact point of suspension of the original game, at a time and place agreed upon by the coaches of both teams.
- 9) Stealing only after the ball crosses the plate, may not leave base until ball crosses home plate
- 10) No inning will begin after 8:00 p.m.



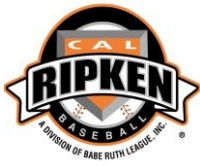
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Minor League will consist of boys ages 9 and 10 and will follow the Babe Ruth of America – Cal Ripken League rules. Exceptions and highlights to the rules are as follows:

All boys 9 and 10 years of age on May 1st of that year are eligible for the Minor leagues.

- 1) League will use an official Babe Ruth approved ball.
- 2) Teams must use a continuous batting order. Players must play at least 2 innings in the field and get 1 at bat per game. This rule would be waived if the game is shorter than 6 innings.
- 3) Bat through the line up or 3 outs whichever come first.
of batters will be determined by the team with the fewest players in team lineup.
If Team A has 11 and Team B has 14, through the lineup will be considered 11 hitters.
- 4) The (10) run rule will be in effect after four innings, unless coaches agree to continue playing.
- 5) A pitcher can only pitch 6 innings in a 7 day period.
- 6) A batter may not attempt to bunt and then attempt to hit the ball with a full swing. The batter will automatically be called out upon doing so. This is on a pitch not for the entire at bat/
- 7) A runner should slide at home plate on a close play. In the umpire's discretion, if he feels the play would be close and the runner does not slide, then he will call the runner out.
- 8) Stealing is allowed and the runner may advance after the ball has reached the batter. Only one run per inning is allowed by a runner on third base advancing to home on a passed ball.
- 9) The health and safety of every player should be in the forefront of a coach's decision to play baseball in the event of inclement weather or deteriorating visibility due to rain or darkness. If either coach considers the weather conditions to be detrimental in playing the game safely, then the coach reserves the right to suspend the game and reschedule it, if necessary (refer to Babe Ruth League, Inc. Baseball Rule 4.10). If the game is suspended and does not meet the criteria of a Regulation Game in 4.10, then the game shall be resumed at the exact point of suspension of the original game, at a time and place agreed upon by the coaches of both teams.
- 10) 9 Players in the field
- 11) No inning will begin after 8:00 p.m.



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Rookie League

Rookie League will consist of boys ages 7 and 8 and will follow the Babe Ruth of America – Cal Ripken League rules. Exceptions and highlights to the rules are as follows:

All boys 7 and 8 years of age on May 1st of that year are eligible for the Rookie leagues.

Manchester, Mt Vernon, Readfield, and Wayne do not play in our Rookie League

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- 1) BALL: We will use a RIF ball either 5 or 10
 - 2) BATTING: Bat everyone or 3 outs which ever comes first
Last hitter in the inning **doesn't automatically** run for home run.
 - 3) PITCHING: Those with pitching machines may use it, teams may decide to not use pitching machine. Pitching machine will remain in position, pitcher will have to work around it.

If Coach Pitches batter gets 7 pitches maximum, be loose.
 - 4) BASE RUNNING: No Stealing or intentionally bunting
On a ball hit to the outfield a runner may run until the ball is back into the infield.
Runner may advance only 1 base on any overthrow
No advancing on passed ball
 - 5) FIELDERS
Play 10 in the field
4 in the Outfield
4 in the Infield
1 as pitchers position
1 as catcher
 - 6) COACHES:
Please talk before game so all agree on rules.