

2025 Tournament Host Training

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Babe Ruth League, Inc. Southeast Region

2025 Host Contract Reminders

Contract Agreement:

2. The HOST agrees, at its own expense, to make arrangements for the [AGE GROUP] Southeast Region Tournament for the year of [YEAR]. The tournament check-in date is Tuesday, [DATE], with games beginning on the following day and continuing to the tournament's termination of play.

3. The number of participating teams, tournament format, and the bracket will be determined at the close of team registration.

7. All team members will be granted free admission to the tournament games. The HOST will provide four complimentary hotel rooms for the use of the Southeast Region staff (non-local Southeast Region Representative, assigned umpires (one room for each two umpires), headquarters guests, et al.). The selected hotel(s) must be of quality associated with business travel (Holiday Inn, Holiday Inn Express, Staybridge Suites, or other chain hotels) and must provide free internet and, at a minimum, continental breakfast. The rooms will be assigned by the Host.

12. The HOST agrees, at its expense, to compensate umpires who will be selected by the Southeast Region Commissioner. Details of umpire assignment and compensation responsibilities are provided in the Umpires section of the Supplement to this Agreement.

13. The HOST for all Cal Ripken Baseball age groups is required to provide opening ceremonies and an icebreaker (banquet or picnic) for all players, managers, coaches, tournament officials, special guests, and parents on the evening of check-in. An icebreaker is optional for Babe Ruth Baseball age groups. There will be no fee charged to the players, managers, coaches, official Babe Ruth personnel, and official invitees. The fee for other attendees must be kept at a minimum.

Contract Supplement:

3. Umpires

UMPIRES MUST BE FURNISHED WITH A PRIVATE AIR-CONDITIONED FACILITY AT THE TOURNAMENT SITE THAT IS ISOLATED AWAY FROM THE FANS. IF NO SUCH FACILITY IS AVAILABLE AT THE SITE, AN RV OR FULL-FEATURE CAMPER TRAILER UNIT WILL SUFFICE.

The Southeast Region Commissioner will assign NUA-certified umpires to officiate tournament games in accordance with Southeast Region Policy 20211021 and Policy 20221022. Additional local NUA-certified umpires may be needed and will be selected by the Host and be under the control of the SER-assigned Crew Chief.

The Host will provide free hotel rooms for non-local umpires (two umpires per room) and compensate the umpires at the rate of [\$RATE] per umpire, per game. For this age group there will be [NBR UMPIRES] umpires officiating each game.

Ice, drinking cups, water, and other beverages (e.g., sports drinks, soft drinks) will be made available for the umpires. Snacks and meals must also be furnished to those umpires officiating in afternoon and evening games.

4. Southeast Region Representative

The Southeast Region Commissioner will assign a Southeast Region Representative to work with the Host Tournament Director.

6. Tournament Headquarters

The participating team manager and coach arrival location for check-in will be set by the HOST. When making facility arrangements, the HOST shall ensure that adequate space to accommodate check-in. Teams (players) are not required to be at the check-in. Southeast Region Policy 20211014 covers policies for player check-in.

7. Team Manager Orientation

Mandatory team manager orientation will be held on the day of check-in just before the start of the opening ceremonies and icebreaker.

8. Player Credentials

All credentials will be checked by the Southeast Region Representative assigned to the tournament or his or her appointed committee at check-in. NO PLAYER WILL BE ALLOWED TO PLAY IN THIS TOURNAMENT WITHOUT PROPER CREDENTIALS.

11. Groundskeeper

Groundskeeping staff must be available at all times during the entire tournament in order to meet any emergency and to ready the playing field between games so as not to delay the playing schedule.

12. Medical Care and First Aid

Access to medical care and (or) first aid must be available during all games. A nurse and (or) a certified trainer is desired to be available during all games. This access includes transportation to a hospital if needed.

14. Announcer, Press Box, Official Scorekeeper, Official Pitch Count Recorder, Game Schedules, and Babe Ruth Lineup Forms

18. Tournament Bracket

The tournament bracket will be prepared by the Southeast Region Commissioner and will include the team seeding, game days, and game times. No times and (or) dates will be changed once the tournament starts EXCEPT if necessary, because of weather or field conditions. This would be done only on approval of the Southeast Region Representative or Southeast Region Commissioner.

The Southeast Region uses SportsEngine Tourney (or other approved BRL partner) to create and manage tournaments. If the Host has its own website, the Southeast Region bracket is the bracket that must be linked.