



Babe Ruth Baseball

Pacific Northwest Region



CAL RIPKEN REGIONAL TOURNAMENT APPLICATION FORM

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Playing Dates:

Playing dates for the District, State and Regional Tournaments on the Babe Ruth Tournament Trail are set AFTER the World Series schedules have been determined.

In the early fall, the schedules for next summer's World Series are released. At that time, the Regions are also notified as to the mandatory completion dates for Regional Tournaments. Setting mandatory completion dates gives Babe Ruth enough time to arrange for plane reservations for the participating teams. (This date is normally about 10 days before teams are scheduled to travel to their respective World Series.)

Until the Region receives the notifications from Babe Ruth, we are unable to advise potential Regional Tournament Hosts as to when their Tournaments will need to be held. However, we can make "educated guesses", based upon experience.

Our best estimates for timing of future Cal Ripken Division Regional Tournaments is the third week of July. This may change from year to year as World Series schedules are changed.

Tournament Formats:

Cal Ripken Divisional Regional Tournaments are conducted in two stages; pool-play qualification, followed by single-elimination Championship. These are usually 10-team affairs; 9 State/Provincial Champions plus the Host team. In the case a State/Province is unable to provide an entrant, the Region will select an Invite team as replacement. If more State/Province are unable to provide an entrant, an 8-team format may be used.

The 8 or 10 teams are split in to two divisions by blind draw. Teams in a division play games against the other teams in their division. In the 10-team affair, after completion of pool-play, the top two teams in each division advance to a single-elimination Championship. In the 8-team affair, after completion of pool-play, the top three teams in each division advance to the single-elimination Championship. The two 4th places teams play a consolation game against each other. Games are played on two playing fields.

A typical Tournament Schedule has Wednesday as Arrival Day, pool-play Thursday & Friday, and Championship day on Saturday.

NOTE: The Application requires the signed approval of your State/Provincial Commissioner.

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1. LEAGUE:

League Name: _____

City, State / Province: _____

State/Provincial Organization: _____

League President: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Numbers: _____ Home _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

Tournament Director: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Numbers: _____ Home _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

2. WHICH TOURNAMENT? (please circle)

9 Year Old 10 Year Old 11 Year Old C/R Major 60" C/R Major 70'

Which Year? _____

If your League's application is not successful would you be interested in hosting another age division tournament? If so, what age division? (please circle)

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13-Year-Old 14-Year-Old 13-15 16-18

3. Describe your League's experience hosting Babe Ruth Tournament Trail events; (District / State/Provincial / Regional / World Series).

4. Number of practice fields available? If weather or other circumstances require that the Tournament be played on more than two fields, are any of these fields appropriate for Tournament use?

5. Describe the local community as well as the activities available for visitors in the immediate area.

6. Describe the playing facility(s), including location, seating, concession stand, rest rooms, field lighting, if available, handicapped accessibility, etc. Picture of proposed playing fields would be helpful. Cal Ripken Tournaments use two fields at the same time.

If possible, enclose a signed written agreement from the controlling entity (city, school district, other baseball association, etc.) guaranteeing exclusive use of the playing facility(s) during the period of the proposed Regional Tournament.

7. The Regional Tournament Agreement requires you to have medical attention on-site and available. How do you propose to meet this obligation?

8. A Regional Tournament can have a very positive economic impact on your community. What other community events could affect the tournament either positively or negatively? For example, a convention or other sports event being held at the same time could adversely affect hotel/motel room availability.

9. The Regional Tournament Agreement requires that you secure (block) ninety (90) hotel/motel rooms for all Cal Ripken Tournaments.

Most State Tournaments in the Region will not be completed until ~ 1 week prior to the start of the Regional Tournament. As a result, most parents/players/fans will not realize that they are coming to your Tournament until that time.

As the Host you will need to talk with the hotels/motels in your area and get them to block rooms for you up to less than 1 week before the teams arrive in your community. This may not be easy, since hotels/motels are rightly concerned that they will end up with unoccupied rooms.

How do you plan on accomplishing this?

10. If you have any other thoughts or ideas about your application that you feel the Site Selection Committee should consider, please feel free to add them here.

Note: The Sponsoring Host may elect to sell individual family and/or group admissions (team tournament pass) for single games, sessions and/or the entire tournament but shall not charge or impose any mandatory fee, however characterized, upon any eligible tournament participant. In other words, the Host may institute a Team Spectator Pass (TPS) for all teams entering the Tournament. However, the Host may not institute any fee for the players and coaches of any team. Hosts can impose a Team Spectator Pass and to also charge a gate for those not covered by the TSP. TSP will cover all members and fans of a team and may not exceed \$500.00.

Applicant has read and understands each of the provisions of the current Tournament Agreement and any additional Supplementary Memoranda and agrees to abide by the provisions in the event that any portion of said documents becomes part of the actual Tournament Agreement that will be included for this tournament.

League President: _____ Date: _____

I hereby recommend and support acceptance of this League's application to host this Regional Tournament.

State/Provincial Commissioner: _____ Date: _____