Organised by The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China
Subvented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Co-organised by the Education Bureau

School Sports Programme
2026 Easy Sport Competition － Baseball SIX

Notes to Participants

Format:

a. The competition adopts a single round-robin group format. The top teams from each group advance to the final. The second placed teams from each group participate in a third-place playoff.. The third and fourth placed teams from each group participate in classification matches according to their group rankings.

b. The rules and regulations of Baseball SIX will be adopted.

c. Each game lasts for 30 minutes, and no new innings will be started after 30 minutes. All runs scored will be counted. Two completed innings will be considered a regulation game, with a maximum of five innings.

d. Mercy Rule:
   i. A game is over if a team trails by 10 or more runs after having batted at least in 2 innings; or
   ii. 7 or more runs after having batted at least in 3 innings; or
   iii. 5 or more runs after having batted at least in 4 innings.

   If the score is tied at the end of regulation time, the game will go into extra innings. The offensive team's next three batters due up in the batting order will bat.

e. Batting Limit:

   Each offensive inning consists of 6 batters. The three-out rule does not apply. The inning ends and sides switch only after the 6th batter's at-bat is complete AND the defensive team has secured the ball inside the home plate defensive area.

f. Unless otherwise stipulated in this Prospectus, the existing rules of the Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China (BAHKC) shall apply.

g. The Organiser reserves the right to change the competition format as

necessary.

Registration:

a. Participating teams must report to the Organiser with their line-up card 30 minutes before the start of the game. Those who fail to show up within five minutes of being called by the Organiser will result in a forfeit.

b. Members of participating team must present a valid photo-bearing identification document (e.g. student handbook, student card) for verification before the competition.

c The competition schedule shall be as announced on-site.

Inclement Weather Arrangements :

a. All matches will be cancelled if the Education Bureau announces school suspension or if Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or Amber Rainstorm Warning Signal or above remains in force two hours before the reporting time for the first round of matches on the competition day. Participants will be notified of alternative arrangements in due course. Under other weather conditions, all participants are required to report to the Organiser on time. The referee on site will decide whether matches proceed as scheduled.

b. If the Environmental Protection Department announces that the Air Quality Health Index recorded by general stations in the area reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category), all ongoing matches will be **suspended immediately.**

Remarks:

a. Schools should remind their students to bring along their lunch and sufficient drinks.

b. All teams shall prepare two sets of sportswear in different colours (one in dark colour and the other in light colour). Team members shall wear proper sportswear and shoes with non-marking rubber outsoles during the Competition.

c. All participants shall not wear metal spike shoes and metal jewellery during the matches.

d. The Organiser would provide Fun Safety Balls, bases and Rolling Tee set next to the home plate. Balls shall be put onto the Rolling Tee by the offenders or their coach. The teams can bring their own Tee Bat or borrow from the Organiser on the event day if needed.

e. Fielders may catch the ball with bare hands or with gloves, catching with caps is not permitted.

f. The distances of the demarcation are shown as follow:

- between bases: 60 feet;
- between the pitcher's plate and home plate: 35 feet;
- between home plate and outfield fence: 104 feet.

g. Participating teams which play in consecutive matches may take a break of 5 to 10 minutes between each match. The Organiser reserves the right to make arrangements according to actual circumstances. Participating teams shall not request postponement of matches on the grounds of fatigue.

h. Any team leaving the playing area during a match shall be deemed to have forfeited the match. The opposing team shall be declared the winner by the Organiser.

i. In case of a breach of the rules or regulations of the Competition or unsporting behaviour by a team leader or team member, the referee shall have the right to disqualify the team from the Competition.

j. The Organiser will carry out photo shoots/video-filming/arrange broadcasting during the competition, and has the right to display/publish the event photos or videos on the Internet, at venues of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, on the dedicated website, in publications of the Organiser and through other publicity channels, for promotion of activities or record purposes.

Appeal: No appeal will be accepted. The referees' decision on the competition results shall be final.