

# CAL RIPKEN BASEBALL

## Determination of Pool Play Standings

In the Cal Ripken Baseball World Series, competition will begin with a pool play format. Each of three divisions (American, National and International) will play a pool play schedule as determined by Babe Ruth League, Inc.

As such, each participating team in the Cal Ripken Baseball World Series will be guaranteed at least four games. At the end of the pool play schedule, the first- and second-place teams of the American and National Divisions and the first-, second-, third- and fourth-place teams of the International Division will advance to the single-elimination competition.

*NOTE: The 10-run rule will be in effect during the pool play portion of the World Series only. (The game will be terminated once becoming regulation - 3½ or 4 innings if either team is ahead by 10 or more runs.)*

Pool play standings will be determined as follows:

1) WIN - LOSS RECORD

*If tied:*

2) RESULTS OF HEAD-TO-HEAD COMPETITION

*If tied:*

3) FEWEST RUNS GIVEN UP

*Note: In the event of a three way tie, all three teams shall complete criterion #3 to determine seeding. If, after completing criterion #3, the three way tie has been broken and a two way tie still remains (i.e. two teams gave up the same number of runs), the two teams remaining tied will revert back to criterion #2 to break the two-way tie. If all three teams gave up a different number of runs, no tie exists and all teams shall be seeded at criterion #3. If all three teams gave up the same number of runs, proceed to criterion #4.*

*If tied:*

4) RUN DIFFERENTIAL WITH A MAXIMUM OF 10 PER GAME

~Teams will be seeded at the beginning of the single-elimination competition according to the position they finished in pool play.

~Pitching limitations begin over (reset) at the beginning of the single-elimination competition.

~For the Cal Ripken 12-Year-Old World Series, pitching limitations begin over (reset) once again for the championship game between the United States team and the international team.