

**Wood County Dartball League**  
**Rules 2014-2015 Season**

- 1 The league will consist of 12 teams using the new schedule.
- 2 The regular play night will be Monday and the season lasts 22 weeks. The season start date will be the first Monday in October. (amended 9/13/10)
- 3 **Games start at 7:30 PM. Any team not having 5 players by 8:00 PM forfeits all 3 games.**

\*\*\* rule changed 9/9/02 - Start of 2002-2003 season.

- 4 A team must have at least 5 players to start a game, but when number 6 and 7 positions come up in the line-up, each shall be automatically out. Other players must be added to make a full team as they arrive. Added players, if they have batted, will not be allowed to practice between games. A new player coming in may practice. *If a player leaves during a game and there are no substitutes available, every batter below that player's spot in the line up will move up one spot in the order. There will be no automatic out unless the team falls back below the 7 player minimum. If the team falls below 7 the automatic out is put in the player's spot in the line up who left.* (Amended at 8/30/09 meeting).

(Previous Rule 5 regarding being present at the start of the game was removed at the 2012/13 preseason meeting again)

- 5 Play shall be a distance of twenty (20) feet from the board. The board shall be four (4) feet square and twenty-four (24) inches off the floor at a right angle from the lower tip of the ball.

<b>Colors:</b>	Field - <b>Green</b>	Bases - <b>Red</b>	Foul & Out - <b>White</b>
	Ball - <b>Yellow</b>	Error, Double Play, & Sacrifice - <b>Red.</b>	

- 6 A dart falling from the board without sticking long enough for **both** umpires to agree on what is hit is a "no dart".
- 7 If a dart hits the ceiling before passing the board, it is a foul. (Effective 9/14/92)
- 8 No dart shall be removed until a batter has completed shooting.
- 9 A dart hitting the sacrifice is out and will be scored as an at bat. Players on base advance one base. (amended 9/23/13 preseason meeting)
- 10 If a dart hit a double play with no one on base, the batter is out. With a runner on base, the batter and lead runner are out. Other runners **do not** advance.
- 11 When the dart hits the error, in scoring, it shall be called a single hit, and count as an at bat. A base on balls will be scored as a single hit and count as an at bat, but only runners who are forced will advance one base. (amended 9/23/13 preseason meeting)
- 12 The error will be next to third base. The double play is next to first base.

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- 13 It is the duty of each captain to have an umpire that will not interfere with the playing board or players during the game.
- 14 Captains must notify the opposing team captain by 6:30PM if games are to be cancelled. All cancelled games must be made up as soon as possible and the President is to be notified of the cancellations. - (change 9/9/02)
- 15 Each captain shall determine if a player is eligible to play in the tournament. Eligibility consists of having played during the regular season with a minimum of 25 at bats.  
(amended 2011/12 preseason meeting)
- 16 A batting trophy will be awarded to the player with the highest batting average during the regular season. In order to be eligible, the player must have been at bat at least 175 times.
- 17 Games won and lost will be reported to Mark Kunstmann immediately after the games at 419-575-5610 (Cell) or 419-353-2123. E-mail address is [mdkjm05@roadrunner.com](mailto:mdkjm05@roadrunner.com) Home team is responsible for making the call.
- 18 There will be NO team fee for the season to be reviewed each season for needs.  
(amended 2012/13 preseason meeting)
- 19 In the event a league member dies, a memorial of \$50 shall be provided. This shall be the responsibility of the applicable team captain, with reimbursement to be made by the Secretary/ Treasurer. (amended 9/13/10) (amended 2012/13 preseason meeting)
- 20 All darts to be thrown underhand except where there is a physical disability to do so.
- 21 In case of a tie between two teams for first place at the end of the regular season play, a single game playoff shall be arranged between the two teams, home team decided by a coin flip presided over by an officer of the league. Winner of the playoff will be declared the champion while the loser will be declared runner-up. (amended 9/23/13).
- 22 It is the responsibility of each team captain to control their team while the other team is at bat.
- 23 **Batting out of order** - If the error is discovered while the incorrect batter is at bat, the correct batter may take his place and legally assume any balls and/or strikes. If the error is discovered after the incorrect batter has completed his turn at bat, and before there has been a dart of another player, the player who should have batted is out and the runner advancements or scores made shall be nullified. However if the error is discovered after the first dart of the next batter, the turn at bat of the incorrect batter is legal.
- 24 In case of a 1st place tie in the tournament, there will be a play-off. However, there will be no trophy or play-off for second place in the tournament. (Effective 9/13/99)
- 25 No change or addition of rules will be made during a playing season.

\* there were no rule changes from the 13 - 14 to the 14 - 15 season.