



#### **SKILLS COMPETITION RULES**

The skills competition will consist in Hitting, Pitching and Running. All teams can participate of the skills competition if they wish.

- Each team will choose and register two players per competition.
- Players can participate only in one competition.
- Only participants of each competition will be allowed to be on the field.
- The skills competition will have awards for the 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place and 3<sup>rd</sup> place of each competition.

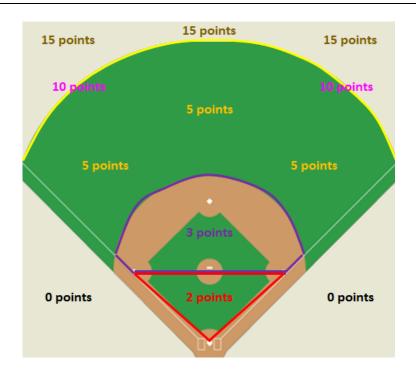
#### **HITTING**

Each team will use their own pitcher which must be a coach. An "L" pitching net will be set up to protect the pitchers. Only the participants of this competition with their coach (pitcher) will be allowed to be on the field.

- Each participant will receive 5 pitches, they must be hittable pitches.
- Balls and strikes will be called by the judge who will be behind the pitchers.
- If swinging and missing then will be considered strike.
- Foul balls are considered strikes.
- Points will be scored from where the ball makes first contact with the ground.
- Points:
  - 0 points if the baseball makes first contact in the foul area
  - 2 points if the baseball makes first contact in the area between Home Plate-1<sup>st</sup> Base-3<sup>rd</sup> Base-Home Plate (red area of the diagram)
  - 3 points if the baseball makes first contact behind the pitching mound and dirty space before the outfield (purple area of the diagram)
  - 5 points if the baseball makes first contact in the outfield
  - 10 points if the baseball makes first contact with the outfield fence (no bounces)
  - 15 points if is a home run







- The winner will be the participant with the highest score.
- In case of tie game, the participants tied will receive 3 more pitches each and will continue until one of them wins the competition.
- All calls made by the judge are final decisions.

### **PITCHING**

Only participants of this competition will be allowed to be on the field and they must be in the pitching area. A pitching target will be set up at home plate.

- Each participant will have 5 pitches.
- Each participant must start with his/her foot in the pitching rubber.
- Points:
  - 0 points if the baseball hits the target with bounces.
  - 2 points if the baseball hits the border of the strike zone (black area) without bounces. If the baseball hits the edge between the black area and orange area then 2 points will be scored.
  - 3 points if the baseball hits around the strike zone (orange area) without bounces. If the baseball hits the edge between the orange area and yellow area then 3 points will be scored.
  - 5 points if the baseball hits the center of the strike zone without bounces (yellow area).





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### **RUNNING**

Only participants of this competition will be allowed to be on the field and they must be behind home plate.

- Each participant will start in home plate, his/her foot must be touching home plate.
- If a participant falls at first base or before first base then he will be allowed to restart from home plate.
- The participant will run through all bases, Home Plate -> 1st Base -> 2nd Base -> 3rd Base -> Home Plate.
- The participant must touch all bases.
- If a participant does not touch a base then will be fined with 3 seconds that will be added to his final time.
- The time will start when the participant leaves home plate and will stop when the participant touches home plate again after running through all bases.
- The winner will be the participant with the best time.





- In case of tied game, the participants tied will run again and will continue until one of them wins the competition.
- All calls made by the judge are final decisions.

