

ABA Cheat Sheet – Minor CP30

2026/2027 Season

Game Rules	Minor CP30 (10U)
Age eligibility	LL7–LL10. Placement is ability-based. Players may progress to PP40 before LL10 when ready.
Purpose	Participation and development grade. Designed as the transition from T-Ball to PP40, with the focus on confidence, contact and lots of involvement.
Field dimensions	Coach pitch from approximately 30 ft / 60 ft bases.
Time (game)	60 minutes. Max 6 innings.
Team numbers	Recommended game-day line-up is 5–7 players to maximize action and repetitions. Clubs may determine their own overall roster size. NO automatic outs for missing players.
Batting order	Continuous batting order. All players present bat. Late arrivals are added to the end of the order.
Inning ends	3 outs or 4 runs, whichever comes first.
Defensive players	Up to 7 defensive players. There is no requirement to fill 9 traditional defensive positions.
Rotation	Free defensive rotation is encouraged. With 7 or fewer players, the aim is for nobody to sit.
Catcher	No player required at catcher in standard CP30 games. A defensive coach/parent wearing a mask acts as catcher and umpire behind home plate. Players can assume this role later in season according to club/coach decision.
Coach pitch	Batting-team coach pitches from approximately 30 ft at a controlled pace suitable for the batter.
Tee	After up to 3 hittable coach pitches, the batter moves to a tee and continues until a fair ball is hit.
Running	No stealing and no leads. Runners advance only on a batted ball.
End of play	Play ends when the ball is controlled in the infield and the umpire calls Time. Clubs and coaches can decide to play for outs during season.
Basic safety	No headfirst sliding. No on-deck swings. No metal cleats.

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Balls / bats	BR300 reduced-impact baseball. USABat only. Teeball bats also allowed.
Helmets	Batting helmets required for all batters and base runners.
Fielding pitcher	A player can occupy the pitcher-fielding position beside or slightly behind the coach pitcher and must remain safely clear.
Coach pitches	Only hittable coach pitches count toward the batter's pitch allowance. A poor or clearly unhittable delivery does not count.
Fouls	A foul or swing-and-miss counts as an attempt during the coach-pitch sequence. Once the tee is in use, the batter continues until a fair ball is put into play.
Batted ball hits coach	Dead ball. Batter is awarded 1st base and other runners advance one base only if forced.
Bunts	NO.
Coaches / umpiring	Batting-team coach pitches. Defensive coach/parent acts as catcher/umpire behind home plate. One additional defensive coach may be on the field if required, provided they do not interfere with play. This is only a suggestion, teams can be flexible about these roles.
Competition format	Participation/development grade. No championship prizes or finals. Club/hub fixtures and association festival rounds may be used. Suggestion is for neighbouring clubs to visit each other and play games for variation.
Scoring	No scoring is required.

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