

Wyoming American Legion Baseball
2023 Minutes
November 16, 2023

1) Call to Order

2) Pledge

3) Board Introductions

Jason Huggins has been appointed as the Assistant State Commissioner

4) Guest Introductions

State Commander Doug Johnson

5) Team Roll Call

Buffalo	Green River	Riverton
Casper	Jackson	Rock Springs
Cheyenne	Lander	Saratoga
Cody	Laramie	Sheridan
Douglas	Lovell	Torrington
Evanston	Powell	Wheatland
Gillette	Rawlins	Worland

6) Awards

AA State/Regional Champion Cheyenne and Wyoming's 1st appearance at the American Legion World Series.

Colter McAnelly was awarded the Bob Feller Award for pitching and as the shortstop on the Word Series All -Tournament team

Kaden Anderson was chosen as the Region 7 MVP

A State Champion Powell with a great showing at the NWCART

Gillette for hosting the last 3 Region 7 tournaments and being in last year's championship game as a host team

Sheridan's Tyler Reisen for making the 2023 All-Academic team

7) Financial Statement

8) General Policy Review

- All Form 1's, 2's, 6's 76's and 77's should be sent to

Jack Simms	jsimms475@gmail.com
PO Box 50807	307-259-1925
Casper, WY 82605	

- ID card requests should be sent to;

Baend Buus
PO BOX 443
Laramie, WY 82073

- **USA Baseball Annual Certification Mandatory**

<https://www.usabdevelops.com>

copy and paste the above link and then click on the A Training Schedule

- **Background Checks**- required each year for all coaches and umpires
<https://opportunities.averity.com/ALDeptWyoming>
- Pitch Coms have been approved for all levels of play through the state tournaments
- NCAA bat policy and guidelines can be found at the following website
<http://www.ncaa.org/playing-rules/baseball-rules-game>

9) Important Dates

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| Jan | 2st | Online team registration begins |
| | 15th | K&K Insurance website opens |
| March | 1st | Wyoming DEADLINE for insurance to be purchased. |
| | 31st | Establishment of players' legal domicile (parents' domicile) and high school enrollment for grades 10, 11 and 12 |
| April | 1st | Wyoming DEADLINE for Abuse Training Certificates and Background Checks to be completed and submitted |
| | 15th | Report site and date of State AA and A state tournaments |
| May | 1st | Wyoming DEADLINE to register team applications and pay registration fees. Department late fee of \$200 will be charged until June 1 st . |
| June | 1st | Deadline for player ID card information. Include a \$5 per card fee. Checks should be made out to Wyoming Legion Baseball
Wyoming DEADLINE for Hall of Fame Applications |
| | 21th | Wyoming DEADLINE for copies of all Form 1's, Form 2's, Form 6's to Jack Simms |
| | 25th | Deadline for Team Managers to file online Form1's with the Department Chairman to be eligible for National Tournaments.
NOTE- only one person per program should file the Form1's |
| | 28th | Deadline for the Department Baseball Chairman to clear online Form 1's with the National office to be eligible for national tournaments |
| July | 15th | Deadline for baseball scholarship application submission to Department Headquarters. |
| Aug | 1st | Deadline for Department Chairman to certify State Champion to the National office and regional tournament Director. Department Tournaments must be completed by 11:59pm |

Note- deadline means it has to be received by that date.

9) 2023 Approved Rule Changes

- 1) Rule 2.C.4 Clarification** Any player who signs a professional contract will be declared ineligible for the remainder of the season and may be replaced on the National Form #1 by an eligible player.
- 2) Rule 6.E.1 Dual Roster** For those American Legion Baseball programs that have affiliated senior and junior teams, any junior eligible player on the junior team roster may appear in an affiliated senior team game provided the total number of players in such senior game does not exceed 18.
- 3) Rule 10.17** Pitchers will get the win after 4 innings

10) Regional Dates & Locations

AA- Billings MT August 7-11, 2024

A - Oregon (TBA) August 7-11, 2024

11) State Tournament Dates & Locations

AA- Casper

July 29th- Aug 2nd Coaches meeting 7/28 at 7pm Place TBD

The National/Regional bracket will strictly be followed

1st Round- higher seed will be the home team, 2nd + rounds will be a coin flip

Fee- \$500 plus 1 dozen logo balls

All State voting has to be complete by 7/19

A- Powell

July 27th – 31st Coaches meeting 7/26 at 7pm Place TBD

The National/Regional bracket will strictly be followed

1st Round- higher seed will be the home team, 2nd + rounds will be a coin flip

Fee- \$500 plus 1 dozen logo balls

All State voting has to be complete by 7/30

B- Torrington

July 24th-28th Coaches meeting 7/24 at 7pm Place TBD

A standard 8 team double elimination bracket will be used

1st round will be higher seed, 2nd + rounds will be a coin flip

Fee- \$500 plus 1 dozen logo balls

Note- In order to play in this division a player must be born in the years of 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 or 2011

C- Lovell

July 18 -21 Coaches meeting will be 7/17 at 7pm Place TBD

A standard 8 team double elimination bracket will be used

1st round will be higher seed, 2nd + rounds will be a coin flip

Fee- \$500 plus 1 dozen logo balls

Note- In order to play in this division a player must be born in the years 2009, 2010 or 2011

NOTE- B & C will use the standard double elimination bracket

State Tournament Rotations

AA- State

2024 Casper

2025 Cheyenne

2026 Gillette

2027 Laramie

2028 Rock Springs

2029 Sheridan

2030 ?

2031 Jackson

A State

2024 West Conference

B State

SE Quadrant

C State

NW Quadrant

12) The All Star Game for the A division will be held in Green River August 9 – 10, 2024
Home Run Derby will be 7pm on the 9th and the game will start a noon on the
10th

13) Conference Play

AA- We are starting another 2yr rotation with the following teams;
Casper, Cheyenne Sixers, Cheyenne Hawks, Gillette, Laramie, Rock Springs
Sheridan (see attached) All conference games have to be completed by
7/21

A- These teams are divided into an East/West conference as follows;

West- Cody, Evanston, Green River, Lovell, Rawlins, Riverton,
Powell, Saratoga

- Playing in quadrants

NW Cody, Powell Lovell, Riverton

SW Evanston, Green River, Rawlins, Saratoga

- District tournament will be July 18-21, 2024 in Green River

East- Buffalo, Casper, Douglas, Gillette, Laramie. Sheridan Torrington,
Wheatland

Playing as a singular conference- 2yr rotation

Eliminate district tournament and move to a 3 game set

(see Attached)

Note- Cheyenne Hawks will probably play non-conference games
with the above teams

All Conference nominations have to be complete by 7/15 voting complete
by 7/19

B/C- These teams are set up in quadrants and play teams in their quadrant for .
state tournament seeding. Alignment will be completed by January 15,
2024

All Form 1's, Form 2's, certifications and insurance have to be approved by the State
Baseball Chairman or his designee or Tournament Director before the first game of any
State Tournament.

Tie Breaker Rules

1- Head to Head

2- Runs Allowed

3- Runs Scored

4- Coin Flip

Tie breaker rules have to be followed in order. Runs allowed and runs scored is
the total number of all conference games.

NO re-entry and **NO** courtesy runner will be allowed during conference and state tournaments

Run rule will be 10 runs after 5 innings

12) C Division Changes

Wyoming will allow drop 5 bats in this division The bats have to be USA Certified and should be marked to eliminate confusion
Recommended fence length no longer than 315" for State Tournament

13) Umpires-

- All umpires will be paid direct.
- Local fees will be set by the individual program.
State rate is \$80 per game, plus mileage (.58 per mile) and per diem (\$30 per day)
State tournament host are responsible for the cost of umpires, including motel rooms.
- Rain outs
Mileage and 1 game fee if both games are rained out
Mileage, per diem and one game fee if 2nd game is rained out prior to 4 inning, otherwise full pay
- Plate umpire will assume the responsibility for rule enforcement on white bats and pitch count. This will be reported immediately to both the State UIC and Chairman.
- All game ejections shall be reported within 24 hours to the State UIC and Chairman.
- Work with the park manager on lightning delays We will follow the WHSAA guidelines on lightning strikes- 6 miles- 30 min delay
- Home team insurance will cover injury to umpires (National directive)

We are currently working on a series of clinics for umpire training. Our thought is to hold a two day clinic that would be geared for younger umpires on day one and for our Legion umpires on day two.