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Ontario Mountain View Little League Fall 2025 – Local Rules

All league play is in accordance with the current Little League Regulations as outlined by Little League Incorporated and will apply, including Ontario Mountain View Little League (OMVLL) local playing rules. The following additional rules and clarifications will apply to Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, AAA, AA, A, and Tee Ball Divisions, where applicable. Where there is a difference between these and the "Official Regulations and Playing rules" provided by Little League Incorporated, the ones from Little League shall prevail until further notice. No modifications will be made to these rules without written permission by the OMVLL Board.

Adoption of these regulations and rules supersede any regulations or rules previously adopted by the Board of Directors.

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1. OMVLL Local Ground Rules

All League Play is in accordance with the current Little League Regulations and current OMVLL Local Playing Rules.

1.1. Local Rule Applicability

1.1.1. All local rules are applicable to all divisions unless otherwise noted.

1.2. Online Registration

1.2.1. It is the obligation of OMVLL to give each person who indicates a desire to become a candidate of the league a chance to register, providing the requirements of eligibility are met. Sufficient notice of dates for registration must be provided to ensure eligible candidates have been properly advised.

1.3. Eligibility for Regular Season Play

- **1.3.1.** Applicant's eligibility shall be provided in the current Little League Regulation II and IV in conjunction with the league boundaries.
- **1.3.2.** Any applicants registering after the last advertised sign-up date will be placed on a team if space is available or be placed on a waiting list and will remain on said list until an opening becomes available. Position on the waiting list shall be determined on a first-come, first-served basis for the appropriate division.

1.4. Eligibility for All-Stars

- 1.4.1. A player who does not pay their Spring Season sign up fees in full will not be eligible to qualify for the All-Star selection for that year. Player's that are unable to pay up front for their fees will be offered options for payment, such as working off their fees in the snackbar, payment plan, extra fundraiser.
- 1.4.2. A player who does not participate fully in Spring Season fundraiser will not be eligible to qualify for the All-Star selection for that year. For this purpose, fully participating constitutes one of the following: a) Selling all candy and/or raffle tickets designated by OMVLL and turning in all money from sales, or b) Using the "Buy Out" option if it is available for the current year as designated by OMVLL.

1.5. Eligibility to Receive Plaques/Trophies/Medal and Pictures

- 1.5.1. A player who does not pay their Spring Season sign up fees in full will not receive pictures and a plaque/trophy/medal for that season. Player's that are unable to pay up front for their fees will be offer options for payment, such as working off their fees in the snack bar, payment plan, extra fundraiser. The fee must be paid in full the start of the second half of Spring Season as designated on schedule.
- **1.5.2.** A player who does not participate fully in Spring Season fundraiser will not be eligible to receive pictures and a plaque/trophy/medal. For this purpose, fully participating constitutes the following:

- 1.5.2.1. Selling all candy and/or raffle tickets designated by OMVLL and turning in all money from sales.
- **1.5.3.** Snack Bar Volunteering. Deposit of \$30.00 payable at the time of registration. The League will refund \$30.00 back to the account, once the volunteer has served a snack bar shift.

1.6. Assessments - Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, and AAA

Assessments will be held for the Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, and AAA divisions. The assessment sessions will be planned with care and conducted in a fair and equal manner under the direction of the Player Agent(s) and Assessment Committee.

1.6.1. Participants - Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, and AAA

- 1.6.1.1. All players of league age 8 through 16 must participate in a scheduled assessment to be eligible for selection in their respective draft.
- 1.6.1.2. Any applicant who does not participate in a scheduled assessment session will be placed on a waiting list (applies to late sign-ups) and/or placed in a random draw for selection after the Draft.
- 1.6.1.3. All league ages will be applied as with Little League outlined rules and regulations for divisions.

1.6.2. Assessment Session - Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major and AAA.

- 1.6.2.1. Each manager will be supplied with a list of applicants.
- 1.6.2.2. Applicants will be divided into groups based on league age, to demonstrate their abilities in the following manner:
 - 1.6.2.2.1. Fielding five (5) balls outfield; five (5) balls infield.
 - 1.6.2.2.2. Batting five (5) balls pitched.
 - 1.6.2.2.3. Running run to second base on last pitch.
- 1.6.2.3. The Assessment Committee may change part of this procedure.

1.7. Late Applications

1.7.1. Those candidates registering after the assessments have been completed will be placed on a waiting list after all the requirements have been met and will remain on the list until an opening exists in their respective divisions. Lists for each division shall be kept by the Player Agent and shared to the Assessment Committee. All placements of players must be approved by the Assessment Committee.

1.8. Player Selection - Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, AAA, and AA

- **1.8.1.** A Draft system will be employed to achieve an equitable balance of player talent. The Assessment Committee may implement controls and procedures during the course of the Draft, which in their judgment will ensure good team balance and compliance with the rules.
- **1.8.2.** Draft Attendance Each Team Manager will attend their Division Draft. Only assigned Board Members may attend the Draft. The Players/parents/guardians may not attend the Draft process at any time.
- **1.8.3.** Draft Order The Draft Order is established by random selection. This establishes a serpentine order throughout the Draft (1-n, n-1). Teams at each end of the order effectively have two consecutive picks straddling the end and beginning of consecutive rounds.
- **1.8.4.** Draft Pool The Draft Pools are established by the Player Agent(s) and reviewed by the Assessment Committee.
- **1.8.5.** Draft Pool Candidates A list containing all candidates for the Division Draft, along with their player number, name, Little League age, will be provided to all Managers prior to the commencement of the Draft.
- 1.8.6. Managers in the AA Division and up may lock up to five (5) players in the Draft.
 - 1.8.6.1. The Manager must give the league a list of the players they are requesting to lock no later than 48 hours before their Draft. The player that is being requested to be locked will be contacted by the Player Agent(s) or President only.
 - 1.8.6.2. Parents have the right to request siblings to be placed on the same team when playing in the same division. Sibling requirements shall be disclosed to the Managers before the draft. Half-siblings and legal guardians shall be honored. Prior to the draft, siblings who are eligible to play within the same division will be rated under the same system used to rate the Manager's children. Managers will then be told in which round the lower rated siblings have been rated. All Managers will be allowed to choose any sibling as soon as they feel appropriate, but after the first sibling is chosen, the Manager will then automatically receive all other siblings in the rounds in which they have been rated.
 - 1.8.6.3. At the Draft, a majority vote of the President, Vice President, Upper Division Coordinator, and Player Agent will be used to determine whether or not the Manager's family member (e.g. child) will be a locked player. If deemed not a locked player, the player shall be drafted no later than the fourth round.
 - 1.8.6.4. Managers do not have to lock any Property Players if they wish, these Managers will still draft in order.
 - 1.8.6.5. Player Options Little League rules allow for Player Option arrangements to be made with the Player Agent(s) for specific circumstances including:
 - 1.8.6.5.1. Drafting siblings once one sibling is drafted the other sibling will be placed on the same team. The Manager will be skipped on their next round Draft pick.
 - 1.8.6.5.2. Managers own child(ren) must be drafted onto their team by the Draft round determined ahead of time by the Player Agent(s).
 - 1.8.6.6. The Player Agent will ensure the Manager selects their child by the specified
 - 1.8.6.7. League does not grant coach request or team player request for Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, AAA, and AA divisions.

- 1.8.10.10. Each following selection will have the same one (1) minute time limit.
- 1.8.10.11. All teams must select a player in every round and maintain a full roster at all times during the season.
- 1.8.10.12. The ongoing draft selections and remaining available players will be available for all Managers to view.

1.8.11. AA Teams

- 1.8.11.1. AA Division will follow the process as outlined above in Section 1.8.6.
- 1.8.11.2. No assessments will be conducted for the AA division.
- 1.8.12. Trades Trades are allowable in the period immediately following the Draft until 10:00 PM the following night. To complete a trade, an e-mail from one Manager to the Player Agent(s) and cc'ing the other involved Manager(s). All teams in the trade must have a minimum of 12 players on their respective rosters and no trade is final until the Player Agent(s) approves the trade.
- **1.8.13.** Any player whose league age is younger than the specified division league age and is not drafted onto a team shall return to their age appropriate division.
- **1.8.14.** Single A and Tee Ball Divisions No Draft will be used. League does not guarantee Manager or team player request.
- 1.8.15. Teams shall contain equitable age and gender assignments.
- **1.8.16.** Player Notification When the Draft is complete, trading period ends and the Player Agent(s) has finalized the rosters, all Managers will be notified that they may contact the players on their respective rosters. Do not contact any drafted player until you are authorized in writing by the Player Agent(s). Violation of this rule is cause for suspension of the Manager.
- 1.8.17. Confidentiality The Draft is kept completely confidential, including skills evaluation, player draft order, and trades. Each individual attending the Draft is responsible for maintaining confidentiality of the Draft and draft materials. All draft materials must be returned to the Player Agent(s) at the conclusion of the draft. Violation of this rule by a Manager or their invited quest is cause for suspension of the Manager.

1.9. Games and Practices

- **1.9.1.** Legal practices:
 - 1.9.1.1. Limited to two (2) hours.
 - 1.9.1.2. Requires five (5) or more players for the same team to be present.
 - 1.9.1.3. Must be supervised by the approved Manager and/or coach(es).
 - 1.9.1.4. Held at times and locations designated by the OMVLL Board.
 - 1.9.1.5. Emergency release documents MUST be present at ALL practices and games.
 - 1.9.1.6. The Manager shall notify the appropriate Division Coordinator if he/she is unable to conduct practice and advise who is in charge.
- **1.9.2.** Games will be held at Westwind Park unless interlocking with other leagues.
- **1.9.3.** Practices and games are considered a team meeting or event.
- **1.9.4.** Teams are restricted to one (1) practice per day; there will be no practices held on game days. Sunday practices are not advised and should only be held when absolutely necessary.
- **1.9.5.** When there is a female player on the team, an adult family member or another female adult must be present at all practices and games.
- 1.9.6. Practices shall not begin prior to the date authorized by the OMVLL Board, and any

- alternatives to foregoing rules must be approved beforehand by the President, Vice-President, and Player Agent(s).
- **1.9.7.** Teams are allowed four (4) meetings per week. Scheduled practices on divisional fields, League batting cages, and scheduled games are considered a team meeting. Pizza parties, birthday parties for the team, etc., are also considered a team meeting.
- **1.9.8.** Insurance Team meetings (practices on Westwind Park fields and designated schools) are covered by League insurance.
 - 1.9.8.1. Any team meeting held at a private residence is not covered by League insurance. Managers and coaches who schedule any team meeting at a private residence take risk against their own homeowner's insurance. If a meeting is scheduled at a private residence, players and parents must be told that League insurance does not cover the meeting.
 - 1.9.8.2. Transportation of players also falls under the manager or coach's homeowners or car insurance.
- **1.9.9.** Any meeting held at a facility in which the player or coach must pay a fee is optional. The Rostered Manager, coach(es), or team parent is required to stay present at the end of a practice until all players have been picked up by their guardians.
- **1.9.10.** Cancellation of Games
 - 1.9.10.1. If weather conditions or any other condition of the field makes the playing field unsafe, the Safety Officer, Chief Umpire, or President shall cancel the game.
 - 1.9.10.2. All cancelled games should be attempted to be replayed, however, only those games that will affect the division championship shall be mandatory.
 - 1.9.10.3. No Manager or coach shall have the authority to cancel a game unless directed to do so by the Chief Umpire or President of OMVLL.
 - 1.9.10.4. If a Manager is canceling a practice or game for any reason, they must notify the Division Coordinator as soon as possible.

1.10. Volunteer Requirements

- 1.10.1. All volunteers must complete a background check application and Live Scan. Little League's approved online system will screen for criminal and sex offender backgrounds. Upon confirmation of a cleared background check by Little League, Live Scan, and completed certifications, the approved volunteer will be eligible to receive a league ID badge with the volunteer's basic information.
 - 1.10.1.1. The ID badge will identify that this individual has passed a Little League sanctioned background check and completed required certifications and is approved to interact with players.
 - 1.10.1.2. The ID badge must be worn at all times when in the presence of players at all league events (i.e., games, practices, snack bar).
 - 1.10.1.3. The Board Member on Duty (BMOD) will be instructed to verify that all Managers, coaches, scorekeepers, team moms, etc. have these visible at all times during games.
 - 1.10.1.4. Failure to display an approved badge at a league event may be subject to disciplinary action by the Board.
 - 1.10.1.5. Managers and two (2) additional volunteers will receive a badge at no cost.
 - 1.10.1.6. Additional Parent volunteers who pass a background check may request an ID badge at their own cost.

- 1.10.1.7. Lost or stolen badges must be reported to the league immediately. If reporting prior to a game, it must be reported at least 48 hours prior to game start.
- 1.10.1.8. A replacement badge may be requested. A \$5 charge for all replacement badges will be the responsibility of the volunteer.
- 1.10.1.9. There is absolutely no sharing of badges, they may only be worn by the person whose name is on the badge.
- 1.10.1.10. Each team in the League shall appoint 1) a team parent; 2) team scorekeeper (Tee Ball and Single A divisions excluded); and 3) pitch count recorder (Tee Ball and Single A divisions excluded).
- 1.10.1.11. Violation of any of the above will subject Manager/coach to disciplinary action by the Disciplinary Committee and /or the OMVLL Board.

2. OMVLL Playing Rules

2.1. Code of Conduct

- 2.1.1. The actions of players, managers, coaches, umpires, league, and district officials must be above reproach. Any player, manager, coach, umpire, or league official who is involved in a verbal or physical altercation, or an incident of unsportsmanlike conduct, at the game site or any other Little League activity, is subject to disciplinary action by the OMVLL Board's Discipline Committee, including removal from the league. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Acts, words, gestures, and/or signs of aggression
 - Making calls prior to umpires' official call
 - Use or under the influence of alcohol, tobacco (in any form) and/or any other controlled substance
- **2.1.2.** It is the Manager's responsibility to control his/her fans. If a fan becomes unruly or abusive, the Umpire and/or Board Member on Duty may warn the Manager that they must control their fans. The Umpire may halt the game until order is restored.
- **2.1.3.** It is the responsibility of the OMVLL Board to provide a Duty Officer at each game. The role of the Duty Officer is to ensure the safety and compliance with the rules of Little League and any special rules or clarifications or those that are unique to the particular division.

2.2. Ejections

2.2.1. Once a Manager, coach, or player has been ejected from a game or practice for any reason, they must leave the game site immediately and take no further action in the game. They may not sit in the stands and will not be recalled (a player must quietly sit in a designated area if his/her parent(s) is/are not present) and not interfere any further with the game. A record of the suspension will be noted in the official scorebook in ink, indication made on the pitching affidavit as well as a written report of the ejection must be completed and submitted to the Division Coordinator within 24 hours. This is in addition to any report required by an umpire association.

2.2.2. Any Manager, coach or player ejected from a game or practice is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.

2.3. Use of an Illegal Bat

- **2.3.1.** An illegal bat is defined as a bat that violates any established Little League rule, Regulation or policy including, but not limited to, barrel diameter, length or construction materials.
- **2.3.2.** The use of an illegal bat is defined as the bat leaving the dug-out onto the playing field.
- **2.3.3.** The use of an illegal bat will result with an immediate suspension (ejection) of the manager of the team that the player is a member with.
- **2.3.4.** The manager is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.

2.4. Protests

- **2.4.1.** All protests shall be in accordance with the requirements of Little League Rule 4.19
- **2.4.2.** All protests shall be reported to the Division Coordinator and/or designee in writing within 24 hours.
- 2.4.3. All protests will require a Manager from each team to document their respective case and submit it to the Division Coordinator and/or designee. OMVLL board and/or designee will make the final decision in resolving the protest and shall be considered final and binding.
- **2.4.4.** All protests must be resolved prior to either team's next scheduled game.
- 2.4.5. Warning: A Manager of a team that excessively either violates a Little League Rule or Regulation including local rules of conduct (including participation, i.e. field, snack bar, and umpiring) and /or utilizes league officials that are not participants of the game (Manager/Coach) in an attempt to influence the game or officials (umpires) may not be approved as a Manager or Coach for any All-Star team in any division of play. Manager may also be suspended/or removed from the team.

2.5. Dress Code

2.5.1. Players

2.5.1.1. Little League Baseball Rule 1.11 will be enforced.

2.5.2. Adults

2.5.2.1. Please use common sense and courtesy when dressing for League activities. Make sure all undergarments are covered and modest, conservative clothing is worn. Remember, we are working with the youth of our community and need to be a good example in our use of appropriate attire.

2.6. Game Schedule

- **2.1.1.** The Game Schedule will be made and maintained by OMVLL Board. Alterations may only be made with the approval of the OMVLL Board and/or designee.
- 2.1.2. If a team is unable to field nine (9) players at the start of a game, 24-hour notice must be given to the respective Division Coordinator and/or Player Agent. If available, Player Pool will be used to fill the player vacancy.

2.7. Rostered Coaches

- **2.7.1.** Only approved rostered Managers/coaches are allowed to be in the dugouts and on the field during game time. Parents with approved volunteer applications on file are allowed to help with warm-ups.
- 2.7.2. Once the game begins, Junior, Intermediate, Major, and AAA divisions are allowed two (2) rostered coaches and a Manager. If a Manager or a coach will not be present, 24-hour notice must be given to the Division Coordinator and/or President to use a temporary replacement. If a 24-hour notice is not achievable, please notify the Division Coordinator and/or President as soon as possible so he/she has proper time to verify the replacement. Replacement must have an approved volunteer application on file.
- **2.7.3.** AA, A, and Tee-Ball divisions, shall not have more than three (3) rostered Managers/coaches on the field during game time.
- **2.7.4.** Coaching shall not be permitted from behind the backstop.

2.8. Dugouts and Stands

2.8.1. It is each team's responsibility for maintaining the dugouts and keeping stands clean. Failure to clean up after your game is subject to disciplinary action by OMVLL Board. Sunflower seeds will be allowed with the use of a cup only. Again, failure to comply will result in disciplinary action.

2.9. Age Limits

2.9.1. For clarity, the League Age breakdown for interleague teams will be as follows:

15-16 - Senior League 13-14 - Junior League 12-13 - Intermediate 11-12 - Major

9-10 - AAA (a.k.a. Upper Minor)

7-8 - AA (a.k.a. Lower Minor) (Player Pitch)

5-6 - A, or Single A (Coach Pitch)

4-5 - Tee Ball

Exceptions are as follows:

2.9.2. Players league age 13 and 14 are eligible for the Senior League division; will require approval of the OMVLL Board

2.9.3. Players league age 12 are eligible for the Junior League division; will require approval of

- the OMVLL Board
- **2.9.4.** Players league age 11 who does not wish to be drafted into the Major division may do so by written option of the parent of the candidate and approval from the OMVLL Board.
- **2.9.5.** Players league age 9 and 10 are eligible for Major division, by written option of the parent of the candidate and approval from the OMVLL Board.
 - 2.9.5.1. Players league age 9 must also have an assessment in the Major division environment.
- **2.9.6.** Players league age 7 and 8 are eligible for AAA division, by written option of the parent of the candidate and approval from the OMVLL Board.
 - 2.9.6.1. Players league age 7 must also have an assessment in the AAA division environment.
- **2.9.7.** Players league age 6 are eligible for AA division, by written option of the parent of the candidate and approval from the OMVLL Board.

2.10. Official Scorekeeping

2.10.1. Scorebook

2.10.1.1. The Official score book is league-owned and will be kept via GameChanger. It is the responsibility of the home team to assign an official scorekeeper for each game. The official scorekeeper must sit within speaking distance of the umpire during games if there is no scorebox. It is the responsibility of the visitor team to assign someone to keep pitch counts and provide them to the scorekeeper and umpire upon request. It is required that the Manager of each team signs the official pitching affidavit at the end of the game (in ink).

2.10.2. Pitching Affidavit

- 2.10.2.1. Each team is responsible for their Pitching Affidavit. This is an official document so it must be completed in ink, filled out correctly and signed by the official scorekeeper (home team) of each game. A game is not official if the affidavit is missing. Pitching Affidavits (including pitch count) must follow each team to every game and be given to the official scorekeeper before the start of each game (with the line-up card a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the start of the game) so that a determination can be made regarding the eligibility of pitchers. It is the responsibility of the Managers to ensure that all required signatures and information are completed and filed correctly. If the affidavit and pitch count records are not provided or are improperly filled out, the responsible manager will be suspended from next physically played game, if properly protested.
- 2.10.2.2. The official pitch count recorder should inform the Umpire when a pitcher has delivered his/her maximum limit of pitches for the game, as noted in Regulation VI (c). The Umpire will inform the pitcher's manager that the pitcher must be removed in accordance with Regulation VI (c). However, the failure by the pitch count recorder to notify the Umpire, and/or the failure of the Umpire to notify the Manager, does not relieve the Manager of his/her responsibility to remove a pitcher when that pitcher is no longer eligible.

2.10.3. Scorekeeper

- 2.10.3.1. Only the Official and the team scorekeeper will be allowed to sit behind the backstop/scorebox.
- 2.10.3.2. Scorekeepers are reminded that they are not to be an active participant or spectator of the game. They are an official record keeper and must remain impartial to the action or results of the game in progress.

2.11. Paid/Volunteer Umpire Service – Junior/ Intermediate/Major/AAA/AA Divisions

- **2.11.1.** If a team is unable to start the game with nine (9) players, that team Manager or League representative must notify the opposing team and the Division Coordinator immediately, if possible, within 24-hours prior to the scheduled game time. The OMVLL Board will decide the date of the rescheduled makeup game. Unable to field nine (9) players at the makeup will result in a forfeit.
- **2.11.2.** Board Members, volunteers, and relatives shall not umpire in their respective division as a paid umpire.

2.12. Field/Game Preparation

- **2.12.1.** The home/hosting team is responsible for the preparation of the playing field prior to each game. *Exception: Interlock Divisions OMV teams are the hosting team.*
- **2.12.2.** Visiting/hosting team is responsible for placing field equipment away as well as field maintenance at the end of the last game of the day. *Exception: Interlock Divisions OMV teams are the hosting team.*
- 2.12.3. Pre-game
 - 2.12.3.1. Infield practice will not be permitted between games unless there are at least 15 minutes remaining prior to the next scheduled game.
 - 2.12.3.2. Each team will be restricted to one-half off the available time beginning with the visiting team (teams should warm up outside the fences and be ready to play).
- **2.12.4.** Both teams are responsible for their own bleachers and dugouts.
- **2.12.5.** The home team will provide two (2) new baseballs for each game and the visiting team will provide one (1) new and one (1) good baseball. League will provide new baseballs at the beginning of the season and mid-season for games only, not for practice.

2.13. Base Coaches

- **2.13.1.** Base coaches shall be eligible players in uniform, including a helmet, or two (2) adult Managers/coaches of their team.
- **2.13.2.** A Manager or coach can be a base coach if there is at least one (1) other adult Manager or coach in the dugout only.

3. Senior and Junior Divisions

A game shall not be started with less than nine (9) players on each team. If a team is unable to place nine (9) players on the field before the game begins, the game may be rescheduled.

3.1. Pool Play

- **3.1.1.** If the League has more than one team in the division and are interlock, pool players must be used as defined by the Little League playing rules Regulation V.
- **3.1.2.** Cap to ten (10) players or roster for said game.

3.2. Minimum Play

- **3.2.1.** Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs.
- **3.2.2.** No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.
- **3.2.3.** Not every player needs to play in the infield for at least one (1) inning per game.

3.3. Batting Order

- **3.3.1.** The umpire must be provided with the batting line-up card prior to start of the game.
- **3.3.2.** Must use a continuous batting order.
- **3.3.3.** Late arrivals can enter the game at the Managers' discretion only if the lead batter has not started his second at bat. Late arrival will be added to the bottom of the lineup.
- **3.3.4.** Exception: If the game is a resumed /continued, rostered player now present, can enter the game at the Managers' discretion at the end of the batting order.
- **3.3.5.** If a batter refuses to take his/her at-bat, this will result in an automatic out for each occurrence.
- **3.3.6.** Batters will be required to keep one foot in the batter's box during his/her at-bat. This is to prepare players for tournament play which will enforce new tournament playing Rule 6.02(c).
 - 3.3.6.1. Penalty: After one warning on a batter, the umpire shall call a strike. Any number of strikes can be called on each batter.
 - 3.3.6.2. No pitches will be added to pitcher's pitch count.
- 3.3.7. A courtesy runner will be permitted for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs. A player whose name is on the team's batting order may not become a substitute runner for another member of the team. Neither the pitcher nor the catcher is subject to removal from the line-up. The same courtesy runner may not run for both the pitcher and the catcher at any time during the game. A courtesy runner must be reported to the plate umpire.
 - 3.3.7.1. Exception: If the continuous batting order is used, the "courtesy runner" may be in the teams batting order and must be the player in the batting order who made the last out.

3.4. Pitching

3.4.1. Pitching Limit

League age 13-16 95 pitches per day

- **3.4.2.** Pitchers league age 14 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
 - 3.4.2.1. If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 3.4.2.2. If a player pitches 51 65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 3.4.2.3. If a player pitches 36 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 3.4.2.4. If a player pitches 21 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
 - 3.4.2.5. If a player pitches 1 20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
 - 3.4.2.6. The violation of regulation VI including this requirement will result with an immediate suspension (ejection) of the Manager of the team that the pitcher is a member with.
 - 3.4.2.7. The Manager is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.
 - 3.4.2.8. A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.
 - 3.4.2.9. Any player on a regular season team may pitch. Exception: Any player, who has played the position of catcher in four (4) or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
- **3.4.3.** Rule 6.05(b) the "Dropped third-strike" rule will be in place.
- **3.4.4.** Little League Regulation VI Pitchers, will be in place.

3.5. Catching

- **3.5.1.** Catchers must wear catchers' helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector and shin guards. Male catchers must wear protective supporter cup at all times.
- **3.5.2.** This applies to warming up the pitchers, in between innings and in the bull pen.

3.6. Game Time Limits

- **3.6.1.** Seven (7) innings is a complete game.
- **3.6.2.** No new inning after $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours if regulation game is official. Regulation game see Rule 4.10.
- **3.6.3.** If tied after seven (7) complete innings, the game continues until either the tie is broken or reaches the drop-dead time limit of three (3) hours.
- **3.6.4.** Exception: LOCAL CURFEW WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE

3.7. Mercy Rule

- **3.7.1.** If after four (4) innings (3½ innings if the home team is ahead), one team has a lead of 15 runs or more the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. If after five (5) innings (4½ innings if the home team is ahead), one team has a lead of 10 runs or more the manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent.
- **3.7.2.** Note: If the visiting team has a lead of 10 (or 15) runs or more, the home team must bat in its half of the inning.

3.8. Umpire

3.8.1. Minimum - One (1) umpire. A paid umpire service may be used.

4. Intermediate Division

A game shall not be started with less than nine (9) players on each team. If a team is unable to place nine (9) players on the field before the game begins, the game may be rescheduled.

4.1. Pool Play

- **4.1.1.** If the league has more than one team in the division and are interlock, pool players must be used as defined by the Little League playing rules Regulation V.
- **4.1.2.** Cap to ten (10) players or roster for said game.

4.2. Minimum Play

- **4.2.1.** Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs.
- **4.2.2.** No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.
- **4.2.3.** Not every player needs to play in the infield for at least one (1) inning per game.

4.3. Batting Order

- **4.3.1.** The umpire must be provided with the batting line-up card prior to start of the game
- **4.3.2.** Must use a continuous batting order.
- **4.3.3.** Late arrivals can enter the game at the managers' discretion only if the lead batter has not started his second at bat. Late arrival will be added to the bottom of the lineup.
- **4.3.4.** Exception: If the game is a resumed/continued, rostered player now present, player can enter the game at the Managers' discretion at the end of the batting order.
- **4.3.5.** If a batter refuses to take his/her at-bat, this will result in an automatic out for each occurrence.
- **4.3.6.** Batters will be required to keep one foot in the batter's box during his/her at-bat. This is to prepare players for tournament play which will enforce new tournament playing Rule 6.02(c).
 - 4.3.6.1. Penalty: After one warning on a batter, the umpire shall call a strike. Any number of strikes can be called on each batter.
 - 4.3.6.2. No pitches will be added to pitcher's pitch count.
- **4.3.7.** A courtesy runner will be permitted for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs. A player whose name is on the team's batting order may not become a substitute runner for another member of the team. Neither the pitcher nor the catcher is subject to removal from the line-up. The same courtesy runner may not run for both the pitcher and the catcher at any time during the game. A courtesy runner must be reported to the plate umpire.
 - 4.3.7.1. Exception: If the continuous batting order is used, the "courtesy runner" may be in the teams batting order and must be the player in the batting order who made the last out.

4.4. Entry

4.4.1. No on-deck batter will be allowed in this division.

4.5. Pitching

4.5.1. Pitching Limit

League age 13-16 95 pitches per day 11-12 85 pitches per day

- **4.5.2.** Pitchers league age 14 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
 - 4.5.2.1. If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 4.5.2.2. If a player pitches 51 65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 4.5.2.3. If a player pitches 36 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 4.5.2.4. If a player pitches 21 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
 - 4.5.2.5. If a player pitches 1 20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
 - 4.5.2.6. The violation of regulation VI including this requirement will result with an immediate suspension (ejection) of the Manager of the team that the pitcher is a member with.
 - 4.5.2.7. The Manager is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.
 - 4.5.2.8. A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.
 - 4.5.2.9. Any player on a regular season team may pitch. Exception: Any player, who has played the position of catcher in four (4) or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
- **4.5.3.** Rule 6.05(b) the "Dropped third-strike" rule will be in place.
- **4.5.4.** Little League Regulation VI Pitchers, will be in place.

4.6. Catching

- **4.6.1.** Catchers must wear catcher's helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector and shin guards. Male catchers must wear protective supporter cup at all times.
- **4.6.2.** This applies to warming up the pitchers, in between innings and in the bull pen.

4.7. Game Time Limits

4.7.1. Follow interlock rules.

4.8. Mercy Rule

4.8.1. Follow interlock rules.

4.9. Umpire

4.9.1. Minimum - One (1) umpire. A paid umpire service may be used.

5. Major Division

A game shall not be started with less than nine (9) players on each team. If a team is unable to place nine (9) players on the field before the game begins, the game may be rescheduled.

5.1. Pool Play

- **5.1.1.** If the league has more than one team in the division and are playing interlock, pool players must be used as defined by the Little League playing rules Regulation V.
- **5.1.2.** Cap to ten (10) players or roster for said game.

5.2. Minimum Play

- **5.2.1.** Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs.
- **5.2.2.** No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.
- **5.2.3.** Not every player needs to play in the infield for at least one (1) inning per game.

5.3. Batting Order

- **5.3.1.** The umpire must be provided with the batting line-up card prior to start of the game
- **5.3.2.** Must use a continuous batting order.
- **5.3.3.** Late arrivals can enter the game at the managers' discretion only if the lead batter has not started his second at bat. Late arrival will be added to the bottom of the lineup.
- **5.3.4.** Exception: If the game is a resumed/continued, rostered player now present, player can enter the game at the Managers' discretion at the end of the batting order.
- **5.3.5.** If a batter refuses to take his/her at-bat, this will result in an automatic out for each occurrence.
- **5.3.6.** Batters will be required to keep one foot in the batter's box during his/her at-bat. This is to prepare players for tournament play which will enforce new tournament playing Rule 6.02(c).
 - 5.3.6.1. Penalty: After one warning on a batter, the umpire shall call a strike. Any number of strikes can be called on each batter.
 - 5.3.6.2. No pitches will be added to pitcher's pitch count.
- 5.3.7. A courtesy runner will be permitted for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs. A player whose name is on the team's batting order may not become a substitute runner for another member of the team. Neither the pitcher nor the catcher is subject to removal from the line-up. The same courtesy runner may not run for both the pitcher and the catcher at any time during the game. A courtesy runner must be reported to the plate umpire.
 - 5.3.7.1. Exception: If the continuous batting order is used, the "courtesy runner" may be in the teams batting order and must be the player in the batting order who made the last out

5.4. Entry

5.4.1. No on-deck batter will be allowed in this division.

5.5. Pitching

5.5.1. Pitching Limit

League age 13-16 95 pitches per day 11-12 85 pitches per day 9-10 75 pitches per day

- **5.5.2.** Pitchers league age 14 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
 - 5.5.2.1. If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 5.5.2.2. If a player pitches 51 65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 5.5.2.3. If a player pitches 36 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 5.5.2.4. If a player pitches 21 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
 - 5.5.2.5. If a player pitches 1 20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
 - 5.5.2.6. The violation of regulation VI including this requirement will result with an immediate suspension (ejection) of the Manager of the team that the pitcher is a member with.
 - 5.5.2.7. The Manager is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.
 - 5.5.2.8. A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.
 - 5.5.2.9. Any player on a regular season team may pitch. Exception: Any player, who has played the position of catcher in four (4) or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
- **5.5.3.** Rule 6.05(b) the "Dropped third-strike" rule will be in place.
- **5.5.4.** Little League Regulation VI Pitchers, will be in place.

5.6. Catching

- **5.6.1.** Catchers must wear catcher's helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector and shin guards. Male catchers must wear protective supporter cup at all times.
- **5.6.2.** This applies to warming up the pitchers, in between innings and in the bull pen.

5.7. Game Time Limits

- **5.7.1.** Six (6) innings is a complete game.
- **5.7.2.** No new inning after one (1) hour 45 minutes if regulation game is official. Regulation game see rule 4.10.
- **5.7.3.** If tied after six (6) complete innings, the game continues until the tie is broken or reaches the drop-dead time limit of 2 hours 30 minutes.
- **5.7.4.** For Fall season only A six-run limit will be enforced in all innings except the last inning identified by the umpire.
- **5.7.5.** For Fall season only Open inning to begin on the start of the fourth (4) inning. Both the visiting team and the home team must be allowed to bat with unlimited runs for the game to be considered an official game.
- **5.7.6.** Exception: LOCAL CURFEW WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE.

5.8. Mercy Rule

- **5.8.1.** If after three (3) innings (2½ innings if the home team is ahead), one team has a lead of 15 runs or more, the Manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. If after four (4) innings (3½ innings if the home team is ahead), one team has a lead of 10 runs or more, the Manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent.
- **5.8.2.** Note: If the visiting team has a lead of 10 (or 15) runs or more, the home team must bat in its half of the inning.

5.9. Umpire

5.9.1. Minimum - One umpire. A paid umpire service may be used.

6. AAA Division

A game shall not be started with less than nine (9) players on each team. If a team is unable to place nine (9) players on the field before the game begins, the game may be rescheduled.

6.1. Pool Play

- **6.1.1.** If the league has more than one team in the division and interlock, pool players must be used as defined by the Little League playing rules Regulation V.
- **6.1.2.** Cap to ten (10) players or roster for said game.

6.2. Minimum Play

- **6.2.1.** Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs.
- **6.2.2.** No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.
- **6.2.3.** Not every player needs to play in the infield for at least one (1) inning per game.

6.3. Batting Order

- **6.3.1.** The umpire must be provided with the batting line-up card prior to start of the game
- **6.3.2.** Must use a continuous batting order.
- **6.3.3.** Late arrivals can enter the game at the Managers' discretion only if the lead batter has not started his second at bat.
- **6.3.4.** If a batter refuses to take his/her at-bat, this will result in an automatic out for each occurrence.
- **6.3.5.** Batters will be required to keep one foot in the batter's box during his/her at-bat. This is to prepare players for tournament play which will enforce new tournament playing Rule 6.02(c).
 - 6.3.5.1. Penalty: After one warning on a batter, the umpire shall call a strike. Any number of strikes can be called on each batter.
 - 6.3.5.2. No pitches will be added to pitcher's pitch count.
- **6.3.6.** A courtesy runner will be permitted for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs. A player whose name is on the team's batting order may not become a substitute runner for another member of the team. Neither the pitcher nor the catcher is subject to removal from the line-up. The same courtesy runner may not run for both the pitcher and the catcher at any time during the game. A courtesy runner must be reported to the plate umpire.
 - 6.3.6.1. Exception: If the continuous batting order is used, the "courtesy runner" may be in the teams batting order and must be the player in the batting order who made the last out.

6.4. Entry

6.4.1. No on-deck batter will be allowed in this division.

6.5. Pitching

6.5.1. Pitching Limit

League age 13-16 95 pitches per day 11-12 85 pitches per day 9-10 75 pitches per day 7-8 50 pitches per day

- **6.5.2.** Pitchers league age 14 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
 - 6.5.2.1. If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 6.5.2.2. If a player pitches 51 65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 6.5.2.3. If a player pitches 36 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 6.5.2.4. If a player pitches 21 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
 - 6.5.2.5. If a player pitches 1 20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
 - 6.5.2.6. The violation of regulation VI including this requirement will result with an immediate suspension (ejection) of the Manager of the team that the pitcher is a member with.
 - 6.5.2.7. The Manager is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.
 - 6.5.2.8. A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.
 - 6.5.2.9. Any player on a regular season team may pitch. Exception: Any player, who has played the position of catcher in four (4) or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
- **6.5.3.** Little League Regulation VI Pitchers, will be in place.

6.6. Catching

- **6.6.1.** Catchers must wear catcher's helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector and shin guards. Male catchers must wear protective supporter cup at all times.
- **6.6.2.** This applies to warming up the pitchers, in between innings and in the bull pen.

6.7. Game Time Limits

- **6.7.1.** Six (6) innings is a complete game.
- **6.7.2.** No new inning after 1 hour 45 minutes if regulation game is official. Regulation game see rule 4.10.
- **6.7.3.** If tied after six (6) complete innings, the game continues until the tie is broken or reaches the drop-dead time limit of two (2) hours 30 minutes.
- **6.7.4.** The five-run limit will be enforced in all innings except the last inning identified by the umpire.
- **6.7.5.** Open inning to begin on the start of the fourth (4) inning. Both the visiting team and the home team must be allowed to bat with unlimited runs for the game to be considered an official game.
- **6.7.6.** For the last inning as determined by umpire, away team gets ten (10) run maximum and home team must walk off to win.
- **6.7.7.** Exception: LOCAL CURFEW WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE.

6.8. Mercy Rule

- **6.8.1.** If after three (3) innings (2½ innings if the home team is ahead), one team has a lead of 15 runs or more, the Manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. If after four (4) innings (3½ innings if the home team is ahead), one team has a lead of 10 runs or more, the Manager of the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent.
- **6.8.2.** Note: If the visiting team has a lead of 10 (or 15) runs or more, the home team must bat in its half of the inning.

6.9. Umpire

6.9.1. Minimum - One (1) umpire. A paid umpire service may be used.

7. Lower Minor Division (AA)

A game shall not be started with less than eight (8) players on each team. If a team is unable to place eight (8) players on the field before the game begins, the game shall be rescheduled.

7.1. Field Rules

All teams must hit baseballs away from houses during practices and game warmups. If a baseball goes over the fence into any backyard behind the field the manager of the team must notify the league immediately so we can log what time this occurred. This goes for all/only league authorized practices and games.

7.2. Minimum Play

- **7.2.1.** Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs.
- **7.2.2.** No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.

7.3. Batting Order

- **7.3.1.** The umpire must be provided with the batting line-up card prior to start of the game.
- **7.3.2.** Must use continuous batting order.
- **7.3.3.** Late arrivals can enter the game at the Managers' discretion.
- **7.3.4.** If a batter refuses to take his/her at-bat, this will result in an automatic out for each occurrence.

7.4. Entry

7.4.1. No on-deck batter will be allowed in this division.

7.5. Base Running

- **7.5.1.** No stealing allowed. Runners can only advance one (1) base on an over-thrown or passed ball.
- **7.5.2.** Passed balls are defined as any thrown ball that gets behind the intended target/player. Example: If a pitched ball is blocked by the catcher and rolls to the side of the catcher but remains within reach, it will not be considered a passed ball. However, if the catcher makes an attempt to block the pitched ball but the ball rolls to the side and out of reach, that will be considered a passed ball and the runner may advance one base.
- **7.5.3.** Advancing to Home Plate is not allowed on a passed ball. A runner on 3rd base can advance to home if the ball was put in play by the batter or if the batter was hit-by-pitch (player pitch only) with bases loaded.
- **7.5.4.** The five-run limit will be enforced in all innings.

7.6. Pitching

- **7.6.1.** The AA division will be Player Pitch the entire season.
- **7.6.2.** Players that are league age 7-8 are eligible to pitch in AA.
- **7.6.3.** Pitching Limit
 - League age 7-8 50 pitches per day
- **7.6.4.** Pitchers league age 14 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:
 - 7.6.4.1. If a player pitches 36 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
 - 7.6.4.2. If a player pitches 21 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
 - 7.6.4.3. If a player pitches 1 20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
 - 7.6.4.4. The violation of regulation VI including this requirement will result with an immediate suspension (ejection) of the Manager of the team that the pitcher is a member with.
 - 7.6.4.5. The Manager is automatically suspended from his/her team's next physical game played and may not be in attendance at the game site for the team's next game. Second ejection will result in the removal of the individual from the team.
 - 7.6.4.6. A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.
 - 7.6.4.7. Any player on a regular season team may pitch. Exception: Any player, who has played the position of catcher in two (2) or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
- **7.6.5.** No walks will be allowed unless the batter is hit by the player pitch.
 - 7.6.5.1. The hit batter can choose to receive three (3) pitches from the Manager/coach or take the base.
- **7.6.6.** No base on balls (walks) allowed.
 - 7.6.6.1. Upon ball four (4), the coach will throw a maximum of three (3) pitches in an attempt for the batter to reach base or be put out.
 - 7.6.6.2. The number of strikes will remain on the batter.
 - 7.6.6.3. The umpire will continue to call balls and strikes. A batter may be called out on strikes.
 - 7.6.6.4. Batters and runners may advance a maximum of two (2) bases on a ball put in play when pitched by the coach.
- **7.6.7.** If four (4) balls are thrown by the kid pitcher, the Manager/coach will come in and pitch.
 - 7.6.7.1. Manager/coach is required to pitch from the regulation pitching rubber of choice (minimum or maximum distance allowed). The Manager/coach pitch must be thrown overhand to the batter.
 - 7.6.7.2. The batter will either put the ball in play, strike out, or put out.
- **7.6.8.** If the 3rd strike or last pitch is fouled, an additional pitch is allowed until put in play or strike out. NO walking allowed in AA.

- **7.6.9.** Players pitching on the Minor field are allowed to pitch from the lower (flat) 40ft. mound or the top 46 ft. mound. Guidelines are as follows:
 - 7.6.9.1. Pitchers league age 8 are <u>allowed</u> to pitch from the 40 ft. mound for the first half of the Spring Season. These pitchers will be <u>required</u> to pitch from the 46 ft. mound for the second half of the Spring Season.
 - 7.6.9.1.1. NOTE: If the league age 8 pitcher chooses to pitch from the 46 ft. mound earlier than the half-way point of the season, it is acceptable and is at the discretion of the Manager.
 - 7.6.9.2. Pitchers league age 7 are <u>allowed</u> to pitch from the 40 ft. mound for the entire season.
 - 7.6.9.2.1. NOTE: If the league age 7 pitcher chooses to pitch from the 46 ft. mound at any point in the season, it is acceptable and is at the discretion of the Manager.
 - 7.6.9.3. Changing pitching distances in the middle of the game will be allowed only once per pitcher. The pitcher must be eligible to move to said distance and must remain at the changed distance for the remainder of the game.
- **7.6.10.** The lower (flat) mound should be positioned at a minimum of 40 ft. The flat mound on the minor's field is a permanent fixture and will remain in place forthe duration of the season.
- **7.6.11.** Coach pitches Manager or coach is required to pitch from the regulation pitching rubber of choice (minimum or maximum distance allowed). The Manager/coach can crouch, kneel, or stand from the pitching rubber but the pitch must be thrown overhand to the batter.
- **7.6.12.** Little League Regulation VI Pitchers, will be in place.

7.7. Catching

- **7.7.1.** Catchers must wear catcher's helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector, and shin guards. Male catchers must wear protective supporter cup at all times.
- **7.7.2.** This applies to warming up the pitchers, in between innings and in the bull pen.

7.8. Fielding

- **7.8.1.** Defensive players shall not play in the same defensive positions for more than two (2) innings per game. This shall not apply to pitchers and catchers.
- **7.8.2.** Defensive players shall not sit on the bench for more than one (1) inning in a row.
- **7.8.3.** Each team shall field ten (10) players defensively. The additional player shall be designated the rover and shall remain 15 ft. behind the baseline in the outfield until the ball is hit. No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.

7.9. Game Time Limits

- **7.9.1.** Six (6) innings is a complete game.
- **7.9.2.** No new inning after 1½ hours if regulation game is official. Regulation game see Rule 4.10.
- **7.9.3.** If tied after six (6) complete innings, the game continues until the tie is broken. TIE GAMESWILL HAVE A TIME LIMIT OR DROP-DEAD OF TWO (2) HOURS.
- **7.9.4.** The five-run limit will be enforced in all innings.
- **7.9.5.** Exception: LOCAL CURFEW WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE.

7.10. Umpire

- **7.10.1.** Junior umpires can volunteer to umpire the game. This is a league sponsored program and the umpires must be approved prior to the game starting.
- **7.10.2.** If no umpire is available, a designated Manager/coach will call for their respective team.

7.11. Select Team

- **7.11.1.** In the event District 23 hosts or enters in a 7- and 8-year-old Select Tournament, OMVLL will participate.
- **7.11.2.** Players and Manager will be drafted for this team.

8. Lower Minor Division (aka Single A or A)

Single A is considered an instructional level of play. No official score or standings are kept.

A game shall not be started with less than eight (8) players on each team. If a team is unable to place eight (8) players on the field before the game begins, the game shall be rescheduled.

8.1. Field Rules

All teams must hit baseballs away from houses during practices and game warmups. If a baseball goes over the fence into any backyard behind the field the manager of the team must notify the league immediately so we can log what time this occurred. This goes for all/only league authorized practices and games.

8.2. Minimum Play

- **8.2.1.** Every player on a team roster will participate in each game for a minimum of six (6) defensive outs.
- **8.2.2.** A player must be assigned to play the catcher position. A coach is allowed to stand behind the catcher to assist in retrieving pitches, but a catcher is required. A player is allowed a maximum of two (2) innings at the catcher position.
- **8.2.3.** No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.

8.3. Batting Order

- **8.3.1.** Managers must exchange the batting line-up card prior to start of the game.
- **8.3.2.** Must use continuous batting order.
- **8.3.3.** Late arrivals can enter the game at the Managers' discretion.

8.4. Entry

8.4.1. No on-deck batter will be allowed in this division.

8.5. Base Running

- **8.5.1.** No stealing allowed. Runner can advance one base on an over-thrown or passed ball.
- **8.5.2.** Passed balls are defined as any thrown ball that gets behind the intended target/player. Example: If a pitched ball is blocked by the catcher and rolls to the side of the catcher but remains within reach, it will not be considered a passed ball. However, if the catcher makes an attempt to block the pitched ball but the ball rolls to the side and out of reach, that will be considered a passed ball and the runner may advance one base.
- **8.5.3.** Advancing to Home Plate is not allowed on any passed ball. A runner on 3rd base can advance to home if the ball was put in play by the batter.
- **8.5.4.** Runner must freeze on a base once the ball is thrown into the infield and is received/secured by an infielder.
- **8.5.5.** The five-run limit will be enforced in all innings.

8.6. Pitching

- **8.6.1.** Single A allows coach pitch or Little League approved pitching machine to pitch to a batter. The batter is allowed five (5) pitches to put the ball in play or strikeout, whichever comes first. If the 3rd strike or last pitch is fouled, an additional pitch is allowed until put in play or strike out. NO walking allowed in Single A.
- **8.6.2.** There is no Player Pitch allowed in Single A.
- **8.6.3.** Manager or coach is required to pitch from the designated distance of 25 ft. or regulation pitching rubber of choice (minimum or maximum distance allowed). The Manager/coach can crouch, kneel, or stand from 25 ft. or the pitching rubber but the pitch must be thrown overhand to the batter.
- **8.6.4.** No tee shall be used in Single A.

8.7. Catching

8.7.1. Catchers must wear catcher's helmet (with face mask and throat guard), chest protector, and shin guards. Male catchers must wear protective supporter cup at all times.

8.8. Fielding

- **8.8.1.** Defensive players shall not play in the same defensive positions for more than two (2) innings per game. This does not include catchers.
- **8.8.2.** Defensive players shall not sit on the bench for more than one (1) inning in a row.
- **8.8.3.** Each team shall field ten (10) players defensively. The additional player shall be designated the rover and shall remain 15 ft. behind the baseline in the outfield until the ball is hit. No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.

8.9. Game Time Limits

- **8.9.1.** Six (6) innings is a complete game.
- **8.9.2.** No new inning after 1 hour 15 minutes if regulation game is official. Regulation game see rule 4.10.
- **8.9.3.** If tied after six (6) complete innings, the game continues until the tie is broken. TIE GAMESWILL HAVE A TIME LIMIT OR DROP-DEAD OF 1 HOUR 30 minutes.
- **8.9.4.** The five-run limit will be enforced in all innings.
- 8.9.5. Exception: LOCAL CURFEW WILL TAKE PRECEDENCE.

9. Tee Ball Division

9.1. Minimum Play

Every player on a team roster will participate in every inning of each game.

9.2. Batting Order

- **9.2.1.** Must use continuous batting order.
- **9.2.2.** Batting tee must be used for the first half of the Spring Season.
- **9.2.3.** Second half of the season Managers must introduce coach pitch. Only three (3) pitches will be allowed. If batter does not strike out, they will use a tee after their three (3) pitches. Pitches must be thrown overhand from a crouch, kneeling, or standing position and at a minimum distance of 10 ft. from the batter.

9.3. **Entry**

9.3.1. No on deck batter will be allowed in this division.

9.4. Fielding

- **9.4.1.** Defensive players shall not play in the same defensive positions for more than t w o (2) innings per game.
- **9.4.2.** Each team shall field all players defensively. No more than six (6) may be positioned within the infield.
- **9.4.3.** NO catcher shall be used in this position.
- **9.4.4.** Runners shall not be designated out.
- **9.4.5.** Ball hit in the infield shall be kept in play and defense may attempt a put out. Runner cannot advance more than one base.
- **9.4.6.** Ball hit in the outfield. Runner/runners may advance more than one base. Defense must throw ball into the pitching circle. Once the ball is in the pitching circle, runners may no longer advance. If runner is not more that ¾ of the way, he/she must return to previous base.
- 9.4.7. Last batter shall run all bases unobstructed.

9.5. Game Time Limits

9.5.1. 1 hour or 4 innings whichever comes first.

9.6. Ball

9.6.1. Little League approved Tee Ball level ball will be used at all times.

<u>This document has been reviewed and approved by the OMVLL Board of Directors</u>

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