

Minor Division Game Rules (8 & 9 Ages)

- 1) Opposing managers shall meet at least 10 minutes prior to the first pitch to ensure rules and procedures are understood and followed.
 - a. Home Team Occupies 1st Base Dugout – Responsible for Concession Stand
 - b. Visiting Team Occupies 3rd Base Dugout – Responsible for Scoreboard / PA Operator & Grooming the Field after the Game
- 2) All players, coaches and managers shall shake hands with the opposing manager, opposing coaches, and players after each game.
- 3) Each team must have a minimum of eight (8) players to start the game.
- 4) Game Length will be 6 innings or 110 mins. If an inning is in progress once the 110 min overall time passes, that full inning will be completed. However, no inning shall start after 110 mins of play
- 4a) Once the game has started, the next inning starts when the 3rd out of the previous inning is made.
- 5) An inning shall end when 3 outs are made or the offensive team scores 5 Runs
- 6) No walks will be issued. Once A Player Pitcher Throws a 4th ball during an at-bat, a coach will come in to pitch to the batter.
- 7) Coaches will Pitch up to an additional (4) pitches to the batter if needed. Strikes will continue from the kid pitch count. The Umpire will call balls and strikes when the coach is pitching. **If a Coach throws a Strike, it will be counted as a Strike**
- 8) If a batter fails to put the ball into play after his or her allotted pitches, they are out. **An at-bat cannot end with a foul ball.**
- 8) No Stealing while a coach is pitching
- 9) The coach will pitch overhand from the rubber. When the coach is pitching, the player pitcher needs to be positioned no more than 1 foot away to the left or the right of the coach pitching.
- 10) The coach pitching will make every effort to avoid being hit with a batted ball, but any batted ball striking the coach will be a dead ball – pitch does not count.
- 11) If a coach hits a player while pitching it's a redo pitch
- 12) When a kid is pitching, baserunners can steal bases once the ball crosses Home Plate. **No Stealing Home**
- 13) Feet First Slides Only for runners – headfirst slides will result in the runner being out.
- 14) Teams will have maximum of 9 fielders for defense – (Standard Baseball Positions). The (3) outfielders are to be positioned in the outfield grass.

See Little League Handbook for additional rules and pitching / catching count limits