

JUNIOR MINOR BOYS BASEBALL

The Junior Minor Boys division is considered very instructional and not competitive in nature. The below by-laws have been established with that in mind.

- 1) All players eligible for a game shall bat whether they are in the field or not. This is the "continuous batting order" rule. The batting order will remain the same throughout the game.
- 2) There will be a "free substitution" rule, wherein players on the bench can enter and/or be replaced in a game at any time on defense. The batting order shall remain the same. All players **MUST** play in the field for a minimum of half the game.
- 3) There is a "five-run" rule for each inning including the last inning. If a team reaches five runs in an inning their half of the inning is declared over and they will now switch to defense.
- 4) Advancing on the bases is limited to one base at a time regardless of any errors committed in the field. There are no, triples or homeruns. There will be no leading, stealing or tagging-up. **If the ball is hit in the "AIR" to the outfield "GRASS" the player can attempt to advance to second, he can be tagged out.**
- 5) The President of the league or the Division Director cancels games, not coaches. A full game consists of 6 innings. A minimum of 4 innings must be played to call it official. No new inning may start after 7:30 p.m. If a game cannot be played for any reason, **the Director of the Division will determine if the game should be made up.**
- 6) Intentional bunting is not allowed. The idea is to focus on the fundamental of swinging the bat appropriately.
- 7) Each team must play 10 players in the field, but no less than 9.
- 8) Helmets with chin straps **MUST** be worn.
- 9) There are no playoffs. There are also no All-Stars after the regular season.
- 10) No on-deck batters are allowed! This will be enforced at all times. Equipment should be kept away from any part of the playing area that is "live", including foul ball areas.
- 11) No spectators are allowed behind backstop areas at any time.
- 12) Both teams playing are responsible for field maintenance.
- 13) No food is allowed in the bench areas. Drinks in proper, safe containers are allowed.
- 14) Disruption of the game, arguments between coaches and umpires or parents and any participant in the game is prohibited. These situations will be handled in a "ZeroTolerance" manner. Anyone becoming unruly or using inappropriate language, gestures or actions is subject to League sanctions, up to and including immediate ejection from the park or dismissal pending a hearing of the matter.
- 15) No jewelry is to be worn during a game or practice.

16) A Manager may have 2 assistant coaches, who have been approved by the league on his bench. **NO OTHER person(s) shall be in the dugout area.**

17) Coaches pitch to their own team. The coach shall pitch up to 6 (six) pitches to the batter at which point if the batter has not yet hit the ball in play, the coach shall attempt another series of 4 (four) “soft-toss” pitches. If a batter still has not hit the ball in play, a tee may be used.

18) **The coach who is on the mound shall be the umpire. As with by-law #14, arguments regarding a call are prohibited.**

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