DISTRICT 41 2022 FALLBALL GROUND RULES

District 41 Little League will follow the rules in the 2022 Little League Baseball blue book; these rules will be a supplement to what is in the blue book. (2022 Congress Rule/Reg changes will NOT apply)

Fall baseball is an instructional league and the purpose is skill building and to have **FUN**. Managers and coaches are encouraged to rotate their players through all the different positions. This is the time to develop your players for the upcoming season.

IF BOTH managers agree games can be played on any day during the week, at any time and at a field that is available. (Home manager shall call visiting manager a few days prior to game day to make sure teams are ready to play).

GENERAL RULES

- 1. Each team will supply 2 new baseballs each game (1 for Minor A, Minor B and T-Ball).
- 2. Home team will provide umpires.
- 3. No score or standings will be kept during Fall ball.
- 4. Home team will set up field.
- 5. Home Team Managers should contact opposing team a few days before hand to make sure each team has enough players and what field they will be playing on at the home site.
- 6. Managers make sure fans clean up the bleacher area before they leave.
- 7. Teams should leave the dug outs better then when they arrived.
- 8. Intermediates (7 innings Max) and Major games (6 innings max) 2 ½ hour time limit (No new inning starts after 2 ½ hours)
- 9. Minor A and Minor B (6 inning max), 2-hour time limit (No new inning starts after 2 hours)
- 10.Rookie 4innings or NO new inning starts after 1 ½ hours 11.T-Ball 3 innings (Bat the order 3x's)

GROUND RULES

- 1. Each team will bat the line up.
- 2. The inning is over if the fielding team completes 3 outs or if the batting team bats the lineup once.
- 3. Free substitutions. Players need to play different positions and shall play at least one inning in the infield
- 4. Base runners can only advance 1 base on an overthrow.

 Majors/Intermediate (For the month of September only)
- 5. In accordance with rule 7.14(b) teams may courtesy run for pitcher and/or catcher.
- 6. To move the game along if a catcher is not ready, the catcher on the field will warm up the opposing pitcher.
- 7. **NO** pitcher will pitch more than 2 innings Intermediate and Majors
- 8. NO more then 40 pitches for Minor A and Minor B (pitcher can complete the batter if 40 pitches is reach during a batter)
- 9. If a pitcher hits a batter twice in 1 inning that pitcher will be removed (3 hit batters over 2 innings, pitcher will be removed).

MINOR B RULES

- 1. Same as the above rules.
- 2. Coach/Machine pitch for the MONTH of SEPTEMBER. Starting in October use kid pitch. (If both managers agree kid pitch can begin anytime)
- 3. Each player will receive 5 pitches if the player doesn't hit the ball after the fifth pitch an out will be called. If a player fouls the fifth pitch another pitch will be given. (Coach pitch, kid pitch or machine).
- 4. When using kid pitch... To help avoid walks a coach will deliver 3 pitches to the batter. If the batter doesn't reach base after 3 pitches it will be recorded as an out.
- 5. If a coach is struck by a batted ball the play is dead and the player is awarded first base and everyone on base will advance a base.
- 6. Coaches will be allowed on the field for instructions. (Should be discussed by managers before the game. Both teams must agree to do this).
- 7. 10 players may be on the field. Four outfielders.
- 8. Players must be batted in. (Players on third may not advance to home on a pass ball or an overthrow)
- 9. No Walks (Coach Pitch)

ROOKIES

- 1. Coach pitch Only
- 2. Bat the lineup. Continuous batting Order
- 3. Same Rules as above from Minor B Rules 5-9

T-Ball

- 1. All players may play the field on defense
- 2. Coach pitch 3 pitches after 3rd miss pitches the tee must be used
- 3. Managers must move players to new position each inning
- 4. On a hit ball the batter may only advance 1 base. Unless the ball gets by the outfielder then the batter may advance two bases.
- 5. Don't count outs. Bat the whole line up each inning.
- 6. Each team will have the same number of innings at bat each game.

I wish you and your players a Fun and Safe Fall ball Season!!

If you have any questions, you may give me a call.

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