

MINOR B (Boys 8-9 year-olds)

Boys Minor B Rules Enhancements to Little League Rules

1. 2 Hour time limit or Darkness or Mercy rules
2. All Players Need to play at least 3 full innings in the field, two of those innings need to be consecutive
3. Universal batting order, all players must be in lineup, if a player shows up late, they will be added to the end of the lineup
4. NO STEALING
5. No Bunting
6. Only 1 base allowed advancing on overthrows except home plate.
7. Runners must earn home plate to score
8. An inning will end when 3 outs are recorded or 5 runs are scored except for the last inning, the last inning is unlimited runs
9. Ten players can play the field- four must be in the outfield when fielding 10
10. There are no walks for the hitter. In the event a pitcher throws four balls, a manager or coach from the batting team will pitch to that batter. If a pitcher walks 4 in an inning he must be removed from pitching on the 4th walk.
 - The coach must be in the vicinity of the Pitching rubber. The pitcher (player) must have 2 feet on the mound (dirt) and cannot be positioned in front of the coach. After the ball is batted the pitcher may field the ball off the mound.
 - The batter will retain whatever strikes he has accumulated against the original pitcher.
 - The batter will remain at bat until striking out swinging or putting the ball in play.
 - The umpire will call strikes after encouraging the batter to swing at good pitches 2 times but should make every effort not to call the batter out on the third strike.
11. Hit Batter, in the event of a hit batter the above walk rule will be in place
12. If Pitcher hits a third batter during the game, or 2 batters in one inning the pitcher will be replaced.
 - There will be some discretion given to the umpire to decide if a hit batter counts against a pitcher, for example if the batter leans into a pitch, or doesn't make any attempt to move out of the way of a pitch.
 - Or if the ball bounces and then hits the batter at a funny angle.
13. There is no Infield Fly Rule
14. A catcher's Mitt or a First Baseman's Mitt can be used by the catcher.
15. Pete Rose Rule for sliding, no head first sliding, no jumping over a fielder with ball. If fielder has ball waiting or a bang, bang play, runner must slide. Player without the ball cannot block the plate.

PITCHING RULES

For most managers this is your first time with the kids live pitching. There are pitch count limits and mandatory rest periods based on the number of pitches thrown in a day. It is very important to Little League and our league that the pitching rules are followed! All of your Equipment bags should have a clicker to count pitches, let me know if you don't have one. Try to keep track of pitch counts in the book after every inning. In the case of game being stopped, for whatever reason, the pitches thrown in that game count.

1. No pitcher may throw the greater of 3 innings or Little league's Designated Pitch Count Limit
2. 50 Pitches for 8 Year Olds
3. 65 Pitches for 9 Year Olds
4. **Exception:** If a pitcher reaches the limit imposed in Regulation VI (c) for His league age while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until any one of the following conditions occurs:
 - That batter reaches base.
 - That batter is put out.
 - The third out is made to complete the half-inning

Mandatory Rest Times

- If a player pitches 51-65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- Pitches on Monday cannot pitch until Friday
- If a player pitches 36-50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- Pitches on Monday cannot pitch until Thursday
- If a player pitches 21-35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- Pitches on Monday cannot pitch until Wednesday
- If a player pitches 1-20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
- Can pitch next day

9 Year old players (Born before September 1st 2009) will be allowed to pitch up to 75 pitches in a game with **NO INNING LIMIT**.

8 Year old players (Born after August 31st 2009) will be allowed to pitch up to 50 pitches with **NO INNING LIMIT**.

Managers you are to keep specific pitch counts per inning per pitcher in your books!

Please Note: If one manager questions a pitch count on a specific pitcher and the manager of the pitcher doesn't have the pitch count in their book, the pitch count that the manager questioning the pitcher will count.

Please remember the required rest based on Pitches thrown in a game.

- If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed. Pitches Monday cannot pitch until Saturday
- If a player pitches 51 - 65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed. Pitches Monday cannot pitch until Friday
- If a player pitches 21 - 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar days of rest must be observed. Pitches Monday cannot pitch until Wednesday
- If a player pitches 1 - 20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.
- A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game cannot play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.