

Appendix D - Baseball “A” Division Playing Rules

All games shall be played in accordance with the Little League Baseball Minor League Division Official Regulations, Playing Rules, and Policies (LLOR) unless stated below. This is an Instructional Minor League Division.

Time Limits

No new inning shall begin after 1 hour 25 minutes from the scheduled start of the game.

No new batter shall bat after 1 hour 45 minutes from the scheduled start of the game.

Games shall not exceed six (6) innings.

Game Balls and Bats

Level 5 safety baseballs shall be used.

Approved tee ball bats (26” or shorter) and baseball bats (27” or longer) may be used. Tee ball bats must carry the USABat stamp; the USABat tee ball sticker is not approved.

Defensive Field Positions

The defensive team shall field six (6) infield positions and up to four (4) outfield positions. Every eligible player present at the game shall play a different defensive position each inning.

Additional Coach

Each team is allowed one (1) additional adult approved volunteer to occupy the field when the team is at bat. This shall allow one (1) adult to remain in the dugout at all times, two (2) base coaches, and one (1) adult pitcher.

Coach Pitch

Each team shall use an adult pitcher. The adult pitches to their team at a distance of 35 feet from the back of home plate (i.e. eleven (11) feet in front of the regulation pitcher’s plate).

The player fielding the position of pitcher shall position themselves on the regulation pitcher’s plate.

If the ball is not hit into play after five (5) pitches, the batter shall then hit the ball off a batting tee.

If a pitch touches the batter, the batter is NOT entitled to first base.

There are no walks or strikeouts.

Outs

Any batter or base runner being put out by catch, force, or tag shall return to their dugout. This shall not be recorded as an out.

Inning

The offensive team shall bat until every player in the lineup has one (1) at-bat. If the last batter hits the ball into play, any out, any fielder touching any base with the ball, or a score by the last batter shall end the offensive team's half of the inning.

Stealing

Stealing is never permitted.

Thrown Ball Out of Play

If the ball is thrown out of play, each runner may continue to their next base if they were advancing to that base and may legally acquire that base; otherwise, the runner shall remain at their last legally acquired base.

Protests

There are no protests in "A" Division.

Whenever it is found that an ineligible player is being used, said player shall be removed from the game and the game shall continue. A report shall be submitted within 24 hours to the President for consideration of disciplinary action.