



## AAA RULES

### BATTING

#### **USA APPROVED BATS ONLY**

First Violation in a Game – The batter is deemed out and the result of the play will be nullified. The coach/manager must remove the illegal bat from the dugout.

Second Violation by Same Player – Player will be ejected from the game.

All players are in the batting order. Any player not in line up before game starts must be added to bottom of line up

If you know one player must leave prior to the end of the game, please tell the opposing coach as soon as you become aware. Ask your team prior to the start of the game if any player is expecting to leave early.

An automatic out will not be registered in the lineup for the player or players who left.

Bunting is allowed.

There are walks. No more coach pitching.

The infield fly rule is not in effect.

Only the on-deck batter may have a bat in his hand and only in the designated practice pen.

There is no run limit per inning.

No player may hit a ball or any type of hitting tool until he/she is at bat.

### CATCHING LIMITATIONS (LITTLE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL)

A player who has played the position of catcher in four or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.

A pitcher who delivers 41 or more pitches in a game CANNOT play the position of catcher for the remainder of that day.

**PITCHING** No intentional walks

If a player pitches and then goes to another position, he may not return to pitch that game.

If a pitcher hits 2 batters in an inning, or three in a game, that pitcher is removed and placed in another position.

A player may pitch a maximum of 3 innings per game and 6 per week.

This rule does not apply during the World Series week because the games are scheduled back-to-back. However, the pitch count rules per game remain in effect. See below.

10 year old may pitch a maximum of 75 pitches per day. 11-12 year old may pitch a maximum of 85 pitches per day.

Exception: If a pitcher reaches the limit imposed in Regulation VI (c) for his/her league age while facing a batter, the pitcher may continue to pitch until any one of the following conditions occurs:

1. That batter reaches base OR;
2. That batter is put out OR;
3. The third out is made to complete the half-inning.

If one pitch is thrown it counts as an inning pitched.

In an effort to move the games along at a more acceptable pace: A new pitcher starting the game or entering in the middle of the game as a pitcher is allowed (8) warm-up pitches maximum. Also, any pitcher who is continuing to pitch shall only be allowed (5) warm-up pitches between innings. These are not counted towards the pitch count.

**Pitch Limit**

Rest requirements are:

- 1-20 pitches 0 calendar days of rest
- 21-35 pitches 1 calendar days of rest

36-50 pitches 2 calendar days of rest  
51-65 pitches 3 calendar days of rest  
66 pitches and above 4 calendar days of rest

A counted pitch is to live batters only.

If a pitcher reaches his/her limit with a count on a batter, they are allowed to finish that batter. The actual pitch count though will be recorded.

Coaches should meet after each half inning to make sure they are in agreement as to how many pitches were thrown.

### **FIELDING**

A maximum of 9 players on the field at once (a standard infield with 3 outfielders) with at least two infielders completely on either side of second base. (no infield shifts).

All players must sit one inning before any player sits two -unless player requests to sit.

All players are to play at least two innings in the infield. (Catcher included)-UNLESS SAFETY ISSUE

Remind your fielders they cannot stand on the base or in the baseline and interfere with a base runner.

**BASE RUNNING** All batted balls hit to the outfield are live until the play ends and/or the umpire calls time.

A runner may steal second or third base after the pitch crosses the plate. No stealing home. No delayed steals.

No leading.

Tagging up is allowed.

If there is a play at second, third, or home plate the runner must either slide or avoid.  
Head first slides are ONLY permitted when moving back to the last base touched.

Any player who slides head first while advancing to the next base or attempting to reach first base will be deemed automatically out.

Players are allowed to advance at their own risk on overthrows.

A player can advance to home plate on an overthrow ONLY if the play was initiated by a hit ball.

**BENCH** Try your best to keep parents & siblings off the bench. They should be on the bleachers.

ONLY credentialed managers and coaches are allowed in the dugouts. No parents, siblings or other family members are allowed in the dugouts.

### **SPORTSMANSHIP**

All regular season games are subject to a 2-hour time limit. This rule is NOT in effect for the playoffs or World Series games.

Remember to be a good sport. If you need to discuss a play/ rule with the other coach do not scream across the field. Between innings grab the umpire and discuss it like gentleman.

If a coach or a manager is ejected from the game, they will be suspended for the following game.

If a parent is ejected from watching the game, they will not be allowed to watch the following game.

In the regular season, seven (7) or more players must be available for either team in order to play the game. If a team has less than 7 players available, that team may borrow players from the other team to fill out defensive positions in the outfield. The borrowed players must be those there were the last at bat or the last out, to be decided among the coaches. That team may NOT supplement its roster with players from any other source than the team it is playing that day. If the league is notified in advance that a team has a concern over attendance for a game, the league will make every effort to reschedule the game at the league's discretion.

In the playoffs and World Series, eight (8) or more players must be available for either team in order to play the game. If a team has less than 8 players available, that team may borrow players from the other team to fill out defensive positions in the outfield. The borrowed players must be those there were the last at bat or the last out, to be decided among the coaches. That team may NOT supplement its roster with players from any other source than the team it is playing that day. **THERE WILL BE NO RESCHEDULING OF PLAYOFF OR WORLD SERIES GAMES FOR ATTENDANCE CONCERNS.**

### **NO GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AFTER JUNE 12, 2024.**

For any other rules, please refer to the Little League International Rule Book or download the app – Little League Rulebooks

Home Team - 1st base dugout.

Visiting Team - 3rd base dugout.