

## 2011 AAA Division House Rules

1. Continuous batting order is to be used in all games.
2. All players are to play at least ½ of each game they participate.
3. Coaches may coach both bases provided there is still one adult in the dugout.
4. During games, the batting cage is to be used to warm up a pitcher.
5. Coaches are NOT allowed to warm up a pitcher at any time.
6. No hitting into the backstop during practices or warm ups.
7. Warm up pitches are limited to 8 pitches between innings.
8. Coaches are allowed to go to the mound to speak with the pitcher or to a pitcher/catcher combination. NO team conferences allowed.
9. Manager, 2 Coaches and 1 Scorekeeper are allowed in the dugout with the team.
10. With the exception of using the restroom, players are NOT permitted to leave dugout during games for reasons other than playing in the game. (i.e. No snack bar runs, no speaking to parents, etc)
11. NO EATING in the dugouts. (Gum, Sunflower seeds and drinks are allowed)
12. Base running:
  - a. **3 steals per inning INCLUDING PASS BALLS.**  
**Teams are allowed to steal home on pass balls.**
  - b. Base running movement stops after the pitcher has the ball and is in contact with the rubber.
  - c. Runners on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> base who steal at the same time is considered one movement (steal).
  - d. Stealing from first to third is considered one movement (steal).
  - e. If anyone other than the base runner initiates the movement, this does not constitute a steal. (i.e. Pitcher tries to pick off the runner leading from 3<sup>rd</sup> base and the runner subsequently moves up a base.)
  - f. A caught stealing is considered a movement and counts as one of your 3 steals per inning.
  - g. The batter can advance to 2<sup>nd</sup> base on a walk if there is a passed ball on ball four. This counts as a steal.
  - h. **At the end of the play the runner may not "dance" between bases trying to draw a pick-off throw. Either they advance on the play or stay at the earned base.**
  - i. Per the Official Little League rule book [7.08 (a4)] **NO** head first sliding at any time except runner "diving back" in order to avoid being picked off. Any head-first slides other than "diving back" will result in the runner automatically being called out per the Official rules.
  - j. **PER THE OFFICIAL LITTLE LEAGUE RULE BOOK [7.08 (a3)] RUNNERS ADVANCING MUST EITHER AVOID THE TAG OR SLIDE INTO THE BASE (EXCEPT FIRST) ON ANY CONTESTED PLAY. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN AN OUT. A SECOND OFFENSE BY THE SAME PLAYER WILL RESULT IN THE PLAYER BEING REMOVED FROM THE GAME.**
13. Pitching Rules:
  - b. No more than 8 warm up pitches per inning.
  - c. Pitching rules mirror the Little League pitching rules as outlined in the 2011 Official Little League Rulebook.
  - d. 3 hit batters per game is mandatory removal from the mound.
  - e. NO 12 year old pitchers.
  - f. NO intentional walks.

Ten run rule is in effect after 4 innings.

No more than 5 runs per inning except for the last inning. Unlimited runs may be scored in the last inning.

If a player arrives late for a game and his/her team has already batted one time thru the lineup, that player is not eligible to play in that game. If the player arrives late for a game, and the team has not batted one time thru their lineup, the player will be placed in the last spot in the batting order and allowed to play.

Batting Rules:

- b. The batter is not allowed to square around for a bunt with the intent of deliberately pulling the bat back as the pitcher delivers the pitch. If the batter squares around to bunt, he or she is expected to keep the bat squared (This was actually a 2008 House Rule that adopted after the start of the 2008 season).

### Other Responsibilities

1. **Each team is responsible for providing two adult volunteers for the concession stand and the announcer's booth (for scoring or pitch counter). Parents will be assigned one or more working dates at the beginning of the season. Parents and coaches must understand that the game cannot start or continue unless these positions are filled at all times. The last two teams for the day are responsible for restocking the drink cooler and the cleanup of the concession stand and restroom.**
- 1A. Each team is responsible for lining the field and putting up the sun screen at Chase field. The first arriving manager should also get the concession stand started so it is ready for the game,
2. Home team is responsible for providing someone to run the scoreboard.
3. Visiting team is responsible for providing someone to keep the pitch count.
4. Each team is to make sure the dugout is cleaned up and garbage is emptied after each game.
5. Each team is responsible to rake the infield base paths after each game.
6. All bases and other equipment are to be locked up in the supply shed after each game.
7. Gates, press box, concession stand, bathroom, and supply shed are to be locked after each game. **(BOTH managers responsibility)**
8. Managers should be the last people to leave the field after each game.
9. Winning team updates the website.
10. Remember, the manager sets the example for his team and parents. No harassing of umpires. No profanity. No throwing things. No poor sportsmanship of any kind will be tolerated. Any manager, coach, player, or parent who does not abide by these rules is subject to being ejected from the field.
11. **No spectators are allowed to sit behind home plate at Chace Field. The only people allowed to sit in the home plate vicinity at Chace Field are parent volunteers who cannot climb the stairs to score the game or to keep pitch count.**
12. **No one under the age of 13 is allowed in the press box or concession stands without parental supervision.**
13. **If a team manager deems that a player is acting in a way that is not conducive to the safety of the players or himself, he may at his discretion remove the player from a game or practice. The removed player will be turned over to their parent or guardian until the player can act accordingly. If the player returns and acts up**

again, the player will be excused for the rest of that game or practice.

14. **NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED AT THE FIELD AT ANY TIME, LEASHED OR NOT. (NO EXCEPTIONS LEAVE THE PETS AT HOME)**
15. **Per a new Little League directive the use of cell phones is not allowed at anytime on the field or in the dugout.**
16. **The Triple AAA Division Director is responsible for calling the game in case of bad weather. He may rely on the managers on site to provide field condition information in order to determine whether the game is played or not. All efforts will be made in order to get the games in when possible.**
17. **No smoking except in designated areas (parking lots).**