

# Milford Little League

## Minor In-park Rules

### **Section I - League and Objective**

The league shall be known as the Minor League, established for the purpose of providing maximum enjoyment for the child in playing the game of baseball and providing instruction in the fundamental skills of hitting, catching and throwing a baseball. It is also desirable that the child be taught the social values of good sportsmanship, team play and basic interaction with others of the same age and interest.

### **Section II - General Rule Information**

In addition to rules outlined herein, the current Little League rules will apply to Minor regarding the conduct of players, managers, coaches and parents as well as batting, fielding, base running, interference and leaving base too soon, etc.

### **Section III – Optional Rules Adoption**

Each of the following rule options are provided in the current Little League rules. Minor will play using the following options.

1. The Minor league will be composed of players' league age 9 through 11.

### **Section IV – Waiver Rules**

Milford Little League has applied for and received a waiver from the Little League charter committee for the following rule changes.

1. "Helmets must have a face guard attached" has been added to rule 1.16.
2. 4.09 (a) has been changed to : "One run shall be scored each time a runner legally advances to .....before three players are put out or three runs score in innings 1 through 5 to end the inning. The offense may score unlimited runs before three players are put out to end the inning in inning 6 or in extra innings."
3. Rule 4.10 has been changed to read "no new inning shall begin more than 1 hour and thirty minutes after the start of the game. The game start time will be noted by the games umpire and chief at the beginning of the game. If one or more innings are completed it will be considered a regulation game."
4. Teams will be allowed to play with a minimum of 8 players.

### **Section V - Miscellaneous Rules**

1. All nets are out of play. A thrown ball into the netting will be treated as being thrown into dead ball territory.
2. The visiting team scorekeeper will be the official scorekeeper. This includes keeping the official pitch count for both teams.
3. The official scorekeeper must obtain the signature of the home plate umpire in the official score book upon game completion.
4. The home team is responsible for preparing the field, i.e. sitting out bases, chalking the field, etc. Visitors are responsible for putting the bases.

5. Final league standings will consist of all teams. Ties will be broken based on regular season results between the teams. If the teams are still tied after this a coin flip will break the ties. If teams do not play the same number of games due to rain outs, win % will be used to determine order. A tie counts as  $\frac{1}{2}$  win  $\frac{1}{2}$  loss.

6. The post season tournament will include all teams. A playoff bracket will be provided once the total number of teams for the season is known.

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