

**PULASKI YOUTH ORGANIZATION
10U - BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
TOURNAMENT RULES AND INFORMATION**

**** The home team will be responsible to run the scoreboard for each game**

Standard Little League rules apply with the following exceptions:

A team roster will consist of no more than **15 players**. All players must be 10 years of age or younger (as of April 30th). Once a team begins its first game, the roster is set for the tournament. No pick-up players are allowed. Team rosters are to be turned in to a PYO representative prior to first game. Copies of birth certificates must be available if requested by the tournament director.

A. No pitcher may pitch more than 3 innings per game. One pitch constitutes an inning. Once a pitcher is removed from the mound, he may not return to the mound to pitch again during that game.

B. A pitcher on the pitching rubber only has to look back at a runner—runner must return to the base once his forward progress stops.

C. Unlimited substitution (except 1b). Offensive team shall use a continuous batting order of the entire game roster. Defensive team shall consist of 10 (ten) players – 4 outfielders, no rover.

D. If a team has at least a 10 run lead after 3 1/2 innings (if home team) or 4 complete innings, the game will be called. Home team must have last at bat if behind.

E. No new innings may be started after one hour and forty-five minutes (1 hr / 45 min), unless the score is tied. In the event of an injury, the scorer will stop the time.

F. If a batter strikes out, he cannot advance to first base under any circumstances.

G. No balks will be called. Infield fly rule will be enforced.

H. All game results (winner, loser, and score) must be reported to a PYO representative by the winning team. Teams are responsible for determining their standings for the following day's game prior to leaving the park for the night.

I. Throwing around the horn after an out is not allowed due to time limitations.

J. Base stealing will be allowed after the pitch crosses home plate. Runners leaving early will be called out—no warning will be given. Stealing home will be allowed.

K. Any runner is out when he does not slide or attempt to avoid contact with a fielder who has the ball and is waiting to make the tag; or if he maliciously runs into a fielder. Base runners may not hurdle a fielder or catcher (Umpire's Discretion). Head first slides are not allowed and will be called as the play results followed by the illegal slide "out" call. Players retreating to a base previously occupied may slide head first.

L. No appeal on a missed base or failure to "tag up". It is an automatic out to be called by the umpire at the end of the play—no warning will be given.

M. Home team will be determined by a coin toss for every game in the tournament. The first team alphabetically will take the first base dugout, while the second team will take the third base dugout.

N. Line-up card with batting order will be given to opposing team and scorekeeper. Automatic out if batting out of order according to scorer's line-up card. Home book is the official scorebook.

O. Only the Manager may discuss a decision with the umpire. The umpires will be treated with respect.

P. No metal spikes are allowed. Only rubber spikes or tennis shoes may be worn.

Q. No game field will be used for fielding or batting practice before the game—no soft toss or batting practice is allowed against ANY fencing or on any field with any type of ball.

R. Managers or coaches are allowed one trip to the pitcher's mound each inning. A second trip in the same inning shall require the removal of the pitcher. A pitcher walking toward the baseline to discuss play with the manager/coach shall be counted as a trip to the mound.

S. Only players and coaching staff are allowed in dugouts for liability reasons. Coaches must remain in the dugout during the game. One Coach may be within 3 feet of the dugout opening for the purpose of play calling or instructing.

T. Time limit and 10-run rule (1e. /1f. from above) shall be waived during the play of the Championship game.

U. No protests are allowed—umpire's decisions are final. Umpires are to be treated with respect.

V. Team chanting is not allowed and will be ruled as un-sportsmanlike behavior, resulting in forfeiture.

(This includes...**No chanting, No clapping while on base, and No yelling while a pitcher is in their windup or release.**)

W. If the catcher is on base with 2 outs, a courtesy runner must be used to speed up the game. Courtesy runner will be the player who made the last out.

X. Fake bunt and swing away for a hit will not be allowed for safety reasons – batter will record an automatic out if used.

Y. Bats must be labeled “Little League Approved”. Use of an unlabeled bat will result in an automatic out if used at bat.

Z. **Individual awards will be given out to 1st place, 2nd place.**

AA. PYO is not liable for injuries occurring during the tournament.

The tournament officials reserve the right to change the tournament format in the event of inclement weather, in order to allow for the completion of the tournament.

In the case of extended delays, the head coach shall report to MEMORIAL PARK and inform tournament officials of their local accommodations and telephone number, so they can be contacted when necessary.

Teams not available to re-start at the proper time will be subject to game forfeiture.

In the case of inclement weather, the following procedures should be followed to ensure that coaches and tournament officials maintain the best lines of communication possible:

*If the weather interrupts play once a day's slate has been started, coaches should report to tournament headquarters at MEMORIAL Park to receive updates and/or directions.

*If rain occurs during the night, coaches should call the tournament director) of their team's age group for an update; Boyd Zastrow at 920-822-2166 for an update. This information is also listed on the standings board.

If there is any question relative to whether or not a game is to be played as scheduled, it is recommended that you show up as scheduled.

NO “CARRY INS” WILL ALLOWED in MEMORIAL PARK. Please patronize our full service concession stand so that our organization can continue to improve.

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