

2017 Somerset Hills Little League Instructional Baseball Rules

All Instructional Games will consist of 5 innings or 1 1/2 hours of play, whichever comes first. If coaches feel they can get a 6th inning of play in the 1 1/2 hour time frame they can do so at their discretion.

Single A Ball - First Year Instructional

An inning will be concluded when either 3 outs are made or a team has batted through its batting order, whichever comes first.

Each player will get a maximum of 8 pitches to hit at the beginning of the season and will hit off the tee after 8. By 5/1 each player will get 5 pitches after 5 pitches they hit off a tee.

No extra bases can be taken on a hit or overthrow except for the last batter of the inning who may choose to take extra bases at their own risk of being out.

AA Ball – Second Year Instructional

An inning will be concluded when either 3 outs are made or a team has batted through its batting order, whichever comes first.

Each player will get 8 pitches max in the beginning of the season and will be out if he or she does not put the ball in play on the 8th pitch. This number will be lowered to 5 pitches by 5/1.

Coach pitch the entire game from about 45 Feet until May 1st.

1 extra base may be taken on a hit to the OF or overthrow of a base. If a team is batting through the order, the last batter and all base runners may attempt extra bases at their risk.

Each child should attempt to play Catcher at least 1 time in the season.

AA Ball Kid Pitch Starts 5/1

Kid pitch in the 3rd inning of every game starting at 35ft with a goal of 40ft by the end of the season. Balls and Strikes will be called at this point in time. Starting 05/22 kid pitch will be 3rd and 4th innings.

A Pitcher can not face more than four batters per inning or thrown more than 30 pitches which ever comes first.

In “Kid Pitch” innings, 3 outs per inning with a 5 run max.

Single A Season Goals:

Each player should be able to catch a ball.

Each player should be able to make consistent contact when hitting.

AA Season Goals:

Have every player that wants to pitch try it at least once during the season.

Have half of the players per team be able to throw strikes consistently.

