

Golden Gate American Little League
Minor A Division Ground Rules
Fall 2013

1. Games will start at the scheduled time. No new innings 90 minutes after scheduled start time (except for weather delays, if there is no game waiting). The game is stopped if the inning is not over within 15 minutes from the 90 minute lapsed times.
2. Each team has 5 minutes for infield warm up and then the Home team takes 5 minutes for infield warm ups. The Home team then stays on the field to start the game.
3. Take 1-2 minutes between innings to keep the game moving. Managers are to enforce the 'hustle in, hustle out' rule.
4. A 'continuous' batting order is in effect. All players are in the line up and will bat. Free substitution defensively, and the batting order stays the same. No pinch runners or courtesy runners.
5. Mandatory play rules apply. Players present at the start of the game must play a minimum of 6 defensive outs and have 1 at-bat.
6. Home team keeps the official scorebook and pitch count sheet for both teams. Visitors run the scoreboard.
7. Where there are no outfield fences, it is 'all you can get'.
8. Each team is limited to 5 runs per inning or 3 outs, whichever comes first. Let the play finish before removing players from the field or letting players on. Unlimited runs in the final inning.
9. Stealing home on pass balls and wild pitches will be allowed.
10. Pitching distance is 46 feet from home plate to the mound.
11. One Board approved coach must be in the dugout at all times. Only the Board approved manager and the two coaches are allowed in the dugout or on the field for the team. Only two base coaches are allowed on the field when the team is batting. **Parents and siblings of players must remain outside the dugout.**
12. Keep control of the game, your players, coaches and parents. There is a zero tolerance for any misconduct on or off the field. Treat all with respect and make sure the kids have fun while still being competitive.
13. **Communication between fans and parents with the coaches and players is strictly prohibited. Ensure all "coaching" comes from the coaching staff. If coaching from behind the fence is occurring, suggest that a volunteer form be submitted. Communicate with your players regarding listening only to coaches while on the field and in the dugout.**