

# JERRY BARRY MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT 2018

## MINOR B/FARM DIVISION RULES

### PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- Only players who have played in the Minor B division during the regular season are eligible.
- Player's league age must be 7-8 years old.
- A team roster must be presented to District 45 by June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Coaches/Managers must bring a copy of their player's medical releases to each game and submit them for verification upon request.

### TIME LIMIT/INNINGS

- No inning will start two (2) hours after the start of the game and should last six (6) innings, when possible.

### PITCHING

- Pitchers will follow the pitch count intended for their age group.
- Pitchers that can't reach from the mound will be able to move up, no more than 6 feet.
- Pitchers will follow a regular count of 4 balls/3 strikes pitch count.
- Pitch records must be brought to every game.

### BATTING

- Balls and Strikes: Each batter will follow the pitch count as above. The strike zone should be from letters of the jersey (chest) to knees.
- There will be a continuous batting order.
- 3 outs or 5 runs maximum per half inning.
- Throwing of Bats: If a player throws the bat, that player is given a warning. If a player throws the bat again following the warning, that player is removed from the game for 1 entire inning for safety precautions and a learning opportunity. The warning and removal are at the discretion of the umpire.
- There will be no intentional bunts.

### BASE RUNNING

- A runner may advance on a hit as the coaches see fit. Once the ball has returned to the pitcher and he/she is on the pitching mound the runner must stay on the base he/she is occupying at that time. Runners may advance **one base** on an overthrow. **Home has to be earned** and cannot be reached on an overthrow.
- There is no stealing or leading off.
- Sliding will be allowed if a play is being made at the base they are sliding into.
- There is no sliding at 1<sup>st</sup> base. There are no head first slides at any base.

## **DEFENSE**

- There will be a maximum of 9 defensive players on the field at one time.
- Defensive coaches will not be allowed on the field.
- Once the ball is in the pitchers hand and the pitcher is on the mound the play is dead.

## **UMPIRES**

- All leagues participating in the tournament will be required to provide umpires, as needed. We are hopeful it will only be 1-2 games per league.

## **SCOREKEEPERS**

- The home team will need to provide a scorekeeper.

## **BALLS**

- Level 5 balls will be used.
- Each team should provide two balls per game.

## **FINAL REMINDERS**

- Players cannot steal.
- Players can run on overthrows if they choose to but it is not an automatic base.
- Home base has to be EARNED. A player cannot go home on an overthrow to any base.

We welcome any and all leagues to participate; however, it is not mandatory. This tournament is meant for the younger kids to experience post-season play and prepare them for later years. It is also a way to honor an old and dear friend and advisor, Jerry Barry.