

**Constitution and Bi-Laws for  
Milford National / Lou Gehrig  
Little League Incorporated**

**ARTICLE I**                    **NAME**

This organization shall be know as Milford National/Lou Gehrig Little League, Inc. (herein after League), and shall function as chartered member of Little League Baseball, Inc. of Williamsport, PA (herein after LLB).

**ARTICLE II**                    **OBJECTIVE**

Section A:                    The objective of this League shall be to demonstrate to each child of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and reverence so that they can be finer, stronger, and happier children, as well as to grow to be good, clean, and healthy adults.

Section B:                    This objective will be achieved by providing good supervised competitive baseball games. The supervisors shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skills or the winning of games is secondary to the teaching of sportsmanship of the game of baseball.

**ARTICLE III**                    **MEMBERSHIP**

Section A:                    **PLAYER MEMBERSHIP** – Any child meeting the requirements as to age and residence as set forth by the rules of LLB shall be eligible to compete in the League. However, all registration fees shall be paid prior to the first game of the season.

Section B:                    **ADULT MEMBERSHIP** – Adult membership in the LEAGUE is a privilege, and not a right. Any person 16 years of age or older having an interest in the League may be proposed for membership. Annual dues are payable at the first meeting in October. No person shall participate in any League functions, be considered in attendance, or be eligible to vote unless their dues are paid. Each member will receive a copy of the current Constitution and By-Laws of the Milford National/Lou Gehrig Little League Inc., within 30 days of its ratification or within 30 days of their membership, whichever is later.

Section C:                    **LIFETIME HONORARIUMS** – All current and past presidents of the League shall be extended the title of lifetime member. Lifetime membership bestows all privileges of paid member including but not limit to voting, managing, and coaching

**ARTICLE IV**            **GOVERNMENT**

Section A:            The government of the league shall be under the direct supervision of the Board.

Section B:            The voting members of the Board of this League shall consist of the following:

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| President       | Equipment Managers – (2)    |
| Vice President  | Safety Officers – (2)       |
| Secretary       | Major Commissioner          |
| Treasurer       | Minor Commissioner          |
| Player Agent    | Coach Pitch Commissioner    |
| Umpire in Chief | Field Maintenance Mgrs. (2) |

Non-voting members of the Board shall include:

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| Stand Manager      | Fund Raising |
| Special Committees |              |

**Section C:**        **ELECTION PROCEDURES**

- 1) At the first meeting in June the president shall appoint with the approval of members present, a nominating committee to select from the active membership an Executive Board consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Player Agent.
- 2) At the second meeting in June, the nominating Committee shall present to the membership its slate of officers for consideration. Nominations from the floor can be accepted at this meeting.
- 3) For the expressed purpose of accommodating a regular member in good standing who cannot be in attendance at the annual meeting or any general membership meeting at which new Board members will be elected, an absentee ballot may be requested and obtained from the Secretary prior to the date of the election. It is the responsibility of the league member to obtain an absentee ballot from the league Secretary. The absentee ballot must be in a sealed envelope with the name of the league Secretary noted on it. It must be either mailed or hand delivered to the league Secretary and must be received prior to the election meeting.  
The Secretary shall present all absentee ballots to the election chairman on the date of the meeting prior to the voting portion of the election process. The absentee ballots will remain sealed and will be counted and recorded by the election chairman.  
Any member who has sent in an absentee ballot and is presently at the election meeting cannot vote at the election meeting unless the Secretary did not receive his or her absentee ballot.

An absentee ballot will list all of the nominating committee slate of officers as well as all other members nominated for those Board positions during the nominating meeting, and ample space for write-in candidates.

- 4) The President shall appoint 2 members in good standing to oversee and count the votes during the election process.
- 5) In order to be eligible to vote for the election of officers, the person must have attended no less than 50% of the meetings of the said year.
- 6) League membership will be established by payment of dues and attendance at League meetings. To be eligible to vote in the election of officers a member must have paid their dues by April. The following League functions shall be considered a meeting:
  - Monthly or Bi-monthly meetings
  - Tryouts and Draft Day
  - Board designated work partiesAttendance shall be taken at all of the above events.
- 7) At the first July meeting the President shall ask for the slate from the nominating committee, then ask if there are any nominations from the floor. If there are none then the President shall ask the Secretary to cast one vote for the officers nominated on the slate. If there are nominations from the floor then each member is entitled to vote via secret ballot. The President cannot vote, in case of a tie. Then it is the Presidents vote that is used to break the tie. The President can only vote after the absentee ballots have been counted, and only if at this point there is a tie. The winners of the election shall be known as President elect, Vice President elect, Secretary elect, Treasurer elect and Player Agent elect.
- 8) At the first meeting in August the President elect shall present to the membership their nominations for the offices of Umpire in Chief, Safety Officer, Equipment Manager, Field Maintenance Manager(s) (2), Stand Manager, and four (4) Commissioners one (1) for each division, for the memberships approval.
- 9) Effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, the officers elect shall take office and serve for one full year. Officers are eligible for re-election and may serve more than one term.
- 10) Prior to the start of the season the President shall appoint with the approval of the membership, chairpersons for the various committees.
- 11) The order of the succession for all Board of Directors regular or special league meetings shall be President or Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Player Agent.

**Section D: EXECUTIVE BOARD DESCRIPTIONS AND DUTIES**

**1) PRESIDENT**

The President has the overall responsibility for the entire operation of the League. Although the position has commissioners and other officers they are still responsible for all of their actions and for operations of their division. The President is to guide, advise and oversee the operation of each division or section of the League. The President shall assume all duties expressly assigned in the Constitution of the League and those normally assumed by the President but at no time make any decisions, which would alter this Constitution or the rules of Little League Baseball.

**2) VICE-PRESIDENT**

The Vice-President presides in the absence of the President, works with other officers and committee members, is ex-officio member of all committees and carries out such duties and assignments as may be delegated by the President.

**3) SECRETARY**

The Secretary will assist the President with administrative matters. These responsibilities include the mailings of all meeting notices, maintaining the minutes of all League and Board meetings, recording the attendance at meetings and all corresponding as required.

**4) TREASURER**

The Treasurer will assist the President in administrative matters. Most important are the collection of all monies for the League to include registration fees, dues, fund-raisers, hat collections and all sponsor fees. The Treasurer is to maintain records of all income and expenses and will make copies of the same available at regular League meetings.

**5) PLAYER AGENT**

The Player Agent is to manage the registration of players and maintain a file of the registration cards. The Player Agent is responsible for verifying eligibility before try-outs and the draft. The Player Agent is to direct the try-outs in all divisions, maintaining a roster of all that are to try-out. They are to conduct the player draft in accordance with the rules of Article IX.C of the Constitution. Following the draft, the Player Agent will maintain a list of all players who are not picked and will assign these players to any team prior to their first game. After the start of the season, the Player Agent has the responsibility of filling any team vacancies as per the Constitution and the rules of "LLB". After the draft the Player Agent will fill out the team rosters showing all information required by "LLB", one (1) copy for the League President and one (1) for "LLB". Similarly, the Player Agent is responsible for proper filing of "Out of Boundary" forms. The Player Agent is also responsible for the scheduling of all League games.

**6) UMPIRE IN CHIEF**

The Umpire-in-Chief must be someone who will work at training and scheduling the best umpires at every game. It is the responsibility of this person to hold clinics to properly train umpires and maintain the names, addresses and phone numbers of the umpires and to submit a copy to the President. The Umpire in Chief is also responsible to submit to the recreation department the umpire vouchers and for the proper distribution of all paychecks to the umpires. In managing complaints about the umpires, the Umpire-in-Chief should request a written complain to both the Umpire-in-Chief and the President.

**7) SAFETY OFFICERS**

The Safety Officer oversees the safe operation of the League, collects and files insurance forms and may be called upon to determine the condition of the field and equipment. The Safety Officer will refer back to the Present's Operating Manual regarding additional duties.

**8) COMMISSIONERS**

There are four (4) Commissioners, one for each division (Major, Minor, Coach Pitch and Tee Ball). They are the liaison to the Board. The Commissioners of a division shall not manage or coach in the division that they are the Commissioners of. The Commissioners should attend as many games of their division as possible. Problems within the division should be brought to the division's Commissioner who will report it to the Board, its resolution, and any outstanding issues still unresolved.

**9) EQUIPMENT MANAGERS**

The Equipment Manager is responsible for the distribution of the League equipment and the return of same to the League at the end of the season. This position is also responsible for maintaining the inventory and reporting this information to the President monthly.

**10) FIELD MAINTENANCE MANAGER (2)**

The maintenance of the League's facilities and general clean up is the responsibility of the Field Maintenance Managers. They are responsible for organizing work parties, supervising the grass cutting, and the purchasing of all required maintenance equipment.

**11) STAND MANAGER**

The Stand Manager is a non-voting member of the Board and is responsible for purchasing stand inventory and supplies and for the opening, closing and general operation of the stand. All monies raised at the stand will be turned over to the Treasurer.

**12) COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

Chairpersons are responsible to the President to carry out the functions as assigned within their limits of authority. They will hold meetings and report their progress or results to the Board and general membership as required.

Section E: The Board shall meet prior to every regular meeting to discuss and vote on the recommendations to the general membership with regard to all League functions. Special meetings shall be called by three (3) or more Board Members with a simple majority of Board Members required present to conduct any vote. Any League member may request attendance at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Section F: All matters concerning the policy of the League shall be decided by a vote of the eligible voting membership and no motion shall be carried without the majority vote of those present at a duly constituted meeting.

Section G: In the event of a vacancy on the Board, the Board will meet within seven (7) days and recommend a replacement to be presented to the membership at the next meeting.

Section H: **RECALL OF A BOARD DIRECTOR**

To recall a member of the Board of Directors a petition must be signed by a minimum of (50%) of the paid membership. The Board will call a general meeting within two weeks, giving the membership at least seven (7) days notice. At this meeting two thirds of the eligible voting members present must vote to recall the officer.

**ARTICLE V: MEETINGS AND QUORUMS/ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER**

- Section A: Meetings of the active membership are to be held twice a month during March through August, once a month during January, February, September and October. November and December meetings will be optional. Meetings are held for the purpose of reading the minutes of the prior meeting, the financial report, reports from the committees and planning of current events. All meetings are to be chaired by the President or Vice-President.
- Section B: A simple majority of those present at a meeting shall govern. For a member that is eligible to vote they must be in good standing, have met financial obligations, has received their membership card, and has attended at least one (1) prior meeting as determined by the Secretary. Quorum for a meeting is seven including members of the Board.
- Section C: Roberts Rules of Orders shall govern the proceedings of all meetings except where it conflicts with the Constitution.
- Section D: The Secretary shall call roll prior to each meeting and at the close of each meeting the. The Secretary shall maintain a list of all regular, honorary and Board of Directors attending the meeting. He will have present each meeting an updated copy of attendance by the membership for review by any paid member. Further, the Secretary will provide the membership with notice of all meetings at least five (5) days in advance. Minutes of the meeting must include the following:
- A) Date, time and location
  - B) Names of members in attendance
  - C) Names of new paid members since the last meeting
  - D) Names of acting chairs and secretary of the meeting
  - E) Copy of the Treasurers report
  - F) Copy of all voted matters, manner of vote and results
  - G) Copy of all proposed amendments to this Constitution
  - H) A record of all matters discussed
- Section E: The current bank statement and all other financial data must be present at all meetings and available for review by any paid member.
- Section F: Any member who degrades another member or guest by verbal abuse, name-calling or profanity will immediately be dismissed from the meeting. The Board will issue a written warning to the offender. Repeated offenses will result in the loss of membership for the current year and the following year. Membership will then only be reinstated after a vote of the general membership.

**ARTICLE VI MANAGERS, COACHES AND UMPIRES**

- Section A: The President shall be responsible for appointment of managers and coaches. Managers shall be responsible for the actions of all their coaches. Managers are not automatically retained for the following year but are subject to re-appointment based on the criteria below and in sections IV and XIV in the "LLB" Handbook. In the event a manager resigns or is removed during the season the President will appoint a new manager with the approval of the Board.
- Section B: Major and Minor division teams shall be comprised of a manager and no more than two (2) coaches. Coach Pitch and Tee Ball Divisions shall be comprised of a manager and no more than three (3) coaches. The manager of each must submit the names of these members to the President at least one week prior to the first game for approval. The decision of the President is binding.

- Section C: A manager or coach's qualifications must be their genuine interest in helping a child to be a better citizen through the medium of baseball. Managers and coaches must be more concerned with the children's character and personality development than the team's win/loss record.
- Section D: It is the duty of all managers and coaches to attend at least 50% of all league meetings, take an active role in all league functions and affairs, and attend all work parties. Failure of any team to be represented at a work party will cause that team to have sanctions applied regarding league events.
- Section E: A person may be refused the right to manage or coach if he is not a member before the start of the playing season.
- Section F: The Player Agent and Umpire-in-Chief shall not manage a team. Although it is strongly recommended that they not coach, it is not forbidden.
- Section G: It is the responsibility of managers and coaches to dress in the proper attire as approved by the league. This is to include team hat, league staff shirt, long pants or approved, coaches type shorts.
- Section H: Umpires shall be limited to no more than two (2) consecutive games in a single day.

## **ARTICLE VII GRIEVANCE POLICY**

- Section A: **DISCIPLINE AND PROBATION**  
 Should the actions of any member of the League be deemed detrimental to the League, the Board of Directors is empowered to place the offending Member or Members on probation for (1) year or remove, if necessary, from further duties as manager or coach, depending on the severity.  
 As each case may be different, the Board will determine what rights and privileges the accused member will lose for the probation period.
- 1) All charges must be in writing and signed by the accuser.
  - 2) Upon written receipt of charges against a member the President or Executive Board member shall notify immediately the member of such charges and will within three (3) days make available a copy of the charges to said member. The Board shall within ten (10) days meet and render a decision on said charge or charges and notify, in writing within three (3) days the accused and the accuser of the decision.
  - 3) The accused has the right to appeal, in writing, the decision of the board to the Grievance Committee, within five (5) days of notification of decision.
  - 4) **VIOLATION OF PROBATION** – If the accused member violates their probation the Board shall recommend to the entire membership that the accused be removed from the League. At the next meeting, if the majority of paid members in attendance vote to uphold the recommendation, the accused member shall be expelled from the League immediately.
- Section B: Before the start of each season the Board shall appoint three (3) people to serve on the Grievance Committee with the approval of the membership. Members of this committee shall not be current members of the League nor have any interest in any team in the League. They must be knowledgeable of an interest in Little League Baseball. Due diligence should be exercised in the selection of this committee. Suggested members may include past Presidents and past Board members.

- Section C: The Grievance Committee shall be convened by the Board at the request of any member with a grievance. After receiving a written grievance from a member, the President shall call the Grievance Committee together within five (5) days to hear said grievance. This committee shall render its decision immediately first to the grievant verbally and then in writing within five (5) days. They shall notify the President of the decision within five (5) days.
- Section D: Only the Grievance Committee, President and Division Commissioner shall be present at the committee meeting. All other parties shall submit written statements to the President for introduction to the Committee. Only the three (3) Committee members shall vote on the issues. The Committee has the authority to act in the manner it feels necessary to resolve the issue. Its actions shall be in writing to all parties involved and will be binding and final in the League.

## **ARTICLE VIII                      FINANCIAL POLICY**

- Section A: The eligible voting membership shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the League and it shall place all monies in a common League treasury, directing the expenditures of the League in such a manner that all members and teams enjoy equal benefits from this money, with no individual or team having an advantage over any other.
- Section B: The Treasurer shall receive all monies from all sources received to finance the operation and support of the League. The treasurer will deposit all funds in the name of the League in the Bank approved by the membership. They shall keep a record of all monies received and paid out. The Treasurer must receive an authorized copy of all bills for the League expenditures before such payment is made.
- Section C: All checks shall require only one (1) signature, that of the Treasurer. The President should also be authorized to sign League checks in the event of an emergency.
- Section D: All projects or purchases estimated at over \$500.00 must received prior approval from the membership.
- Section E: No reimbursement to a league member shall be given unless accompanied by a receipt for the purchase of approved League materials or services.
- Section F: An annual financial audit of the Treasurer's books will be conducted by an outside, independent accountant approved by the Board. This audit will be completed by the end of November. The fiscal year for the League begins on October 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**ARTICLE IX                    RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Section A:        The official playing rules and regulations as published by Little League Baseball of Williamsport, PA., shall be binding in all instances except those variations contained herein which are necessitated by location conditions.

Section B:        League Age is defined as the age of the child on July 31 of the playing season. No child under the age of 10 years of age will play in the Major Division. No child under the age of 9 will play in the Minor Division except where 8 year olds with parental permission and with the consensus approval of the Player Agent and President after consulting with past coaches.

**Section C:        PLAYER DRAFT RULES**

1.        The Player Agent will have direct responsibility of the player draft.
2.        The manager's children are automatically protected to their appropriate teams.
3.        Coaches children are protected if:  
          The coach moved to a new division with the manager they assisted the prior season.
4.        Family drafts are as follows:
  - a.        If the younger child is selected, the older is automatically placed on the team in the Player Agent's selected round,
  - b.        If the older child is selected and the Player Agent determines that the younger child will play in the same division the younger child is automatically placed on the team in the Player Agent's selected round.
5.        Those players that have siblings trying out for their division shall cause that team to protect that player, should the Player Agent determine that the child will be drafted in that division.
6.        No 10 year old may be drafted to a Major team unless placed into the draft pool along with eligible 11 and 12 year olds by the Player Agent. The pool shall consist of all 11 and 12 year olds and as many 10 year olds as required to fill the exact number of vacancies in the Major Division.
7.
  - a.        The Player Agent and Division Commissioner will rate each candidate's abilities at the tryouts.
  - b.        All protected players must be declared prior to the start of the draft for the appropriate division. The Player Agent will determine the round of the draft for those players with the Boards approval to avoid any conflicts.
  - c.        In the event that more than one player is protected by a team the Player Agent reserves the right to alter the draft sequence of picks. This applies to situations involving two highly rated players.
8.
  - a.        All candidates from the previous season must be registered in order to be eligible for participation. Unregistered players will not be on the returning team roster or eligible for draft.

b. A player must participate in the division in which they are drafted. Requests from parents to retain the player in a lower division may be submitted to the Board prior to the tryouts. These requests will be heard by the Board. Where a written opinion of a professional MD or Psychiatrist, who opinion is that the child is at risk of injury if they were to play in the higher division, the child, will remain in the lower division. With regard to parental requests, the Board will vote to accept or deny and will handle each case separately with no case affecting any other. The decision of the board is final and will be held confidential. This rule shall apply to all registrants including the children of coaches and managers.

9. At the player draft, the Major Division shall select their rosters first. The order of the draft will be the reverse order of their prior seasons finish place for those divisions retaining their players; a division re-drafting shall pick from a hat to determine order. After this is completed but prior to the minor draft, the Player Agent, Division Commissioner and President shall elect in private 12 players who were not drafted but have the abilities to play in the Major division. They shall rank this list from 1 to 12 in highest to lowest rating and keep this list confidential. When a team roster falls below 12, the Player Agent will be notified by the team manager, per LLB policy. When this happens the Player Agent shall give the first player on the list to the team in need. When a player is selected by this procedure they will be invited to play on both the Major and Minor division team. If they refuse to play they shall be removed from the list, not to be asked again. No 10 year old called up to the Major division will be allowed to pitch at the Major level. Twelve year olds brought up to the Majors are eligible to pitch in that division. Only players that are assigned prior to the last two (2) weeks of the season will be protected to that team for the following season.
10. Trades are prohibited except under special extenuating circumstances and solely at the discretion of the Board, and must follow all LLB rules and regulations as per the President's Handbook.  
EXAMPLE: 1<sup>st</sup> round for 1<sup>st</sup> round  
              2<sup>nd</sup> round for 2<sup>nd</sup> round  
              etc., etc.
11. No players may be dropped from a team with the prior approval of the Board. LLB Regulations III shall govern at all times. A player who quits prior to or during a season shall not participate on any other team during the season. A player dropped from a team as noted in LLB Regulation III may participate in the league that season as determined by the Board with the approval of the membership. If a player is dropped without prior approval the Board shall investigate the circumstances and may reinstate the player on any team. Notification of problems should be direct to the Player Agent and the President.

**Section D: GENERAL RULES AND RULING GUIDELINES**

1. LLB Rules 4.15 through 4.18 shall govern all procedures with regard to forfeits. Nor forfeits shall take place due to illness. Likewise, no forfeit shall take place for a school activity if the Present or Player Agent is notified of such at least eight (8) days prior to the scheduled game. If the Board determines that there is not just cause a forfeit will apply.
2. LLB Rule 4.19 shall govern issues of protested games. After the Umpire-in-Chief receives a written protest signed by the manager of the team he shall convene the Board to determine the need for Grievance Committee.
3. Managers and coaches are to remain within the dugout or lined box at its entrance except upon receiving timeout from the umpire. The manager or coach may enter the playing field for the following:
  - a. Question the scorebook
  - b. Rule interpretation
  - c. Injury to a player
  - d. Trip to the pitchers mount
  - e. Line up changesOnly three (3) registered members may be present in the dugout for a Major or Minor game; four (4) for a Coach Pitch or Tee Ball game. There are no mascots or batboys allowed. Players and coaches are not allowed to leave the playing area at any time during the game except for hat collection and latrine visits.
4. All substitutions must be reported to the opposing team and the Umpire-in-Chief (Plate Umpire).
5. When the game manager or coach desires to question a ruling they must call "Time Out" and receive the same from the umpire before stepping out of the dugout. The game manager or coach will be permitted to approach the umpire and must act in a sportsmanlike manner.
6. The manager is responsible for the actions of the team's fans, players and coaches.
7. Any disciplinary action on a team resulting in a player not being eligible for a game must be approved by the Board.
8. The mandatory play rule will be adhered to strictly (LLB IV.i).
9. Managers must log their pitchers upstairs in the field house in the "Log Book". Along with the pitchers, the manager must also log the name of the coaches that were in attendance at the game. This log must be signed by each manager under their team name. A violation of LLB pitching rules will result in the suspension of the manager for the next scheduled game.

**Section E: MINOR DIVISION RULES**

1. All rules regarding “Complete” or “Official” games are governed by LLB rules.
2. All players in attendance are to bat in sequence and play a minimum of six (6) consecutive outs on defense during a six-inning game or one inning in an abbreviated game.
3. There is no restriction on substitutions, players may be removed and re-enter at any time.
4. No pitcher shall pitch more than six (6) innings in two consecutive games. This rule is in addition to LLB pitching rotation rules and shall be in effect for all games including playoffs.
5. A twelve (12) year old retained in the Minors is not eligible to pitch.
6. Managers and coaches are permitted to coach from the coaching boxes at first and third base.
7. All games including night games and playoffs shall be played within a two-hour limit, unless it is the last or only game of the day. Official time will start with the umpire declares “Play Ball”. No inning may start later than ten minutes before the two-hour limit will lapse. Once an inning has started it must be completed regardless of the time limit unless the home team is ahead, in which case only the first half of the inning will be played. In the event of darkness preventing an inning from being completed refer to the LLB rulebook. This ruling is reserved for umpire’s decision. As allowed by LLB rules, if a team is behind by ten or more runs at the end of four innings of play the manager may concede the game as official game loss.
8. Substitute runners must be chosen from players who did not play defense in the previous inning.
9. Due to the instructional nature of Minor division play, if a pitcher commits a balk there is no penalty. The umpire shall call no pitch and will resume play.

**Section F: COACH PITCH DIVISION RULES**

1. All players in attendance at to bat in sequence and must play at least six (6) consecutive outs in the field. Three of these must be played in the infield.
2. Players must wear the team cap and shirt; baseball pants are suggested. No shorts allowed.
3. All games are to be played within the two hour time limit as described in Article IX.E.7 of this document
4. Any game that ends in a tie should continue to play until a winner is determined or the two-hour time limit is reached.
5. Strike Outs:
  - a) No Tee is to be used in the coach pitch division
  - b) A batted ball must travel to the 15-foot line or it is a foul ball.
  - c) After the sixth pitch, the umpire will get into position behind the plate and call a reasonable strike zone for all remaining pitches until the batter puts the ball in play or has accumulated three strokes for an out.
6. No batter/runner may advance more than two bases on any hit. On an overthrow the batter/runner may advance. An overthrow is any thrown

ball that eludes a player whether it is touched or not. The following apply:

1. On an overthrow at first or second the runner may advance only one base regardless of the amount of overthrows.
2. On an overthrow at third base the runner must have already rounded third to be able to advance home.
3. A runner sliding into third or stopped at third or have returned to third must remain there regardless of the play on the field.
4. No runner may advance on a wild pitch or passed ball.
5. A pitched ball hit over the fence for a Home Run will be counted as such, thus overruling any other base limitations.
7. No more than nine batters are allowed in a half inning.
8. During the game no coach will be allowed on the playing field to instruct the defense more than one time per inning. The coach who is pitching must be in the 10-foot pitching area.
9. Managers and coaches must remain within the coach's box. No base coach may lift, restrain, or place a runner on a base while the ball is in play. The player will be called out as a penalty for this violation as per LLB rules.
10. Pitching will be performed by a coach of the offensive team. The pitcher must not attempt to assist or interfere with the ball once it is put into play. Should this happen, the umpire will call "No Play" and return all players to their previous positions.
11. There is no base stealing, bunting, or leading as prescribed by LLB rules.
12. The Infield Fly rule will be suspended for the Coach Pitch Division.

**Section G: TEE-BALL DIVISION RULES**

1. Players must wear the team cap and shirt; baseball pants are suggested. No shorts allowed.
2. All games are to be played within a two (2) hour time limit as described in Article IX.E.7 of this document.
3. A batted ball must pass the 15-foot line or it is called foul.
4. No player will strike out in Tee Ball. The batter shall remain until the ball is put into play.
5. No more than nine batters are to bat in a half inning regardless of the number of outs. The ninth batter must be announced to the umpire who will then announce it to the opposing team and fellow umpire. At this point it is to be ruled that two outs exists. Under no circumstances is the ninth batter allowed to pass second base. The inning will end with an out is made or the batter/runner reaches second.
6. There is no restriction on substitution. A player may be removed and re-enter at any time.
7. During the playing of the game coaches are permitted on the playing field to instruct the defense, and must be in the outfield grass.
8. The player in the pitcher's position must have both feet on the pitching rubber until the ball is hit off the tee. If there is a violation of this rule and the pitchers touches the batted ball the umpire shall call "No Play" and all players shall return to their previous positions.

9. In the event of an overthrow at any base the runner is not allowed to advance.
10. No batter/runner may advance more than two bases on any hit.
11. No more than ten defensive players will be allowed on the field

**Section H: SCHEDULES, TOURNAMENTS, ALL-STAR TEAMS**

1. The President or the Player agent will be responsible for providing each team with a copy of the regular season schedule which shall include the date, time, and home team for all season games. All post-season and inter-league games will be announced.
2. Any tie in the League standings will be broken by a one game playoff. If this cannot be arranged, a tiebreaker will be used. First will be head-to-head play, and second will be defensive runs against.
3. The Minor, Coach and Tee Ball Divisions may enter the City Tournament with the approval of the Board.
4. Post Season
  - a. The All-Star and Tournament team managers will be selected by the board and are subject to the approval of the membership.
  - b. Each manager in the Division will provide a list of players from their team, by the first week in June. At a meeting the manager of the All-Star team(s) and the divisional managers or coaches (one representative from each team only) must meet to discuss and select 12 players from the above pool. Each manager will have the opportunity to voice their opinion on each player that they have submitted. All that are present at this meeting must be in majority agreement with the twelve players that are selected. The final two roster positions can be filled by the manager. The final list will then be handed to the Board for final approval.

**ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS AND BY-LAW CHANGES**

1. Milford National Lou Gehrig Little League followed and upholds this Constitution
2. This Constitution or any part thereof may be amended or replaced by a vote of a two-thirds majority of the eligible voting membership at a stipulated meeting.
3. All proposed By-Law changes or amendments must be presented in writing to the League Secretary one meeting prior to vote.
4. At no time shall any one division have the right to hold its own vote.
5. All changes that take place during the season will take effect in the next season and will be incorporated into the Constitution and forwarded to LLB.
6. The MNLGLL season runs from October 1 through September 30.
7. It is the responsibility of the incoming President to forward a current MNLGLL Constitution to LLB as required by LLB rules.