BASEBALL “MAJORS” DIVISION RULES

All rules according to most recent Little League Rules and Regulations.

***New Rules for 2011***

**Regulation VI:** Added language prohibiting the catcher from pitching if he/she caught in (4) four or more innings. *(This change applies to baseball divisions only.)*

**Composite Bat Moratorium:** The use of non-little league approved composite bats is strictly prohibited. For a list of bats approved for “Major and Minor” Divisions, follow the below link: http://www.littleleague.org/learn/equipment/approvedcombatssmall.htm

In addition, the following “Local Rules” shall apply:

Only 3 coaches are allowed in dugout.

Bunting is allowed.

Once the pitcher is on mound with the game ball the base runners must stay at their bases.

Metal and wood bats are permitted in the Majors. All bats must meet current Little League standards and must be stamped with “Approved for Little League”

**Pitching:**

*Pitchers league age 14 and under must adhere to the following rest requirements:*

- If a player pitches 66 or more pitches in a day, four (4) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 51 - 65 pitches in a day, three (3) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 36 - 50 pitches in a day, two (2) calendar days of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 21 - 35 pitches in a day, one (1) calendar day of rest must be observed.
- If a player pitches 1-20 pitches in a day, no (0) calendar day of rest is required.

**THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE PITCHING RULES**

A player once removed as a pitcher may not pitch again in the same game nor play the catcher’s position.

**Players:**

Each team will utilize a continuous batting order.

A player arriving late (after the start of the game) will be utilized as a substitute and must meet
the minimum playing requirements.

Every player must play in the field at least two consecutive innings (six outs) and bat at least once.

All players who were not in the starting line-up (substitutes) in the last game they played must start the next game and play at least three innings.

A player in the starting line-up, who has been removed for a substitute, may re-enter the game once, in the same position in the batting order, provided:

a. The substitute has completed one time at bat.

b. The substitute has played defensively for a minimum of two consecutive innings (six outs).

c. At least nine men have batted since the time the starter was removed from the game.

d. A substitute who has been removed from the game may not re-enter the game, unless all players have completed the minimum requirement of one at bat and two consecutive innings in the field.