



Common Rules

Where the rules appearing on the website are in conflict with the printed rules in the COACH'S MANUAL, the WEBSITE SHALL BE DEEMED CORRECT.

Uniform: All divisions except T-Ball: All players must wear full uniform (house league supplied pants, shirt, hat or visor) when out in the field. For each player not in full uniform when out in the field, one out will be charged to their team when it is their turn to bat. E.g. if 1 player plays an inning without their full uniform, their team will be charged one out when they come up to bat. If 2 players play an inning without their full uniform, their team will be charged 2 outs, however, only 1 out will be charged per inning. Each player without the full uniform will be charged 1 out per game. The uniform shirt must be tucked into the pants and the pants must be below the knee. No shorts or jewelry is allowed.

All jewelry must be removed. Jewelry includes but is NOT LIMITED TO earrings, any types of piercing, watches, and bracelets, etc. Medical Alert bracelets are exempt and may be worn once they are proven. No metal spikes are allowed. Pelvic protection and mouth guards are strongly recommended.

Ball Thrown Out of Play: If a ball is thrown out of play, each runner including the batter-runner may advance two bases. When such wild throw is the first play by an infielder, the umpire in awarding such bases shall be governed by the position of the runners at the time the ball was pitched; in all other cases the umpire shall be governed by the position of the runners at the time the wild throw was made.

Courtesy Runner: With 2 outs and the catcher gets on base, or is on base, he/she may be substituted with a courtesy runner (the players who made the last out) to allow the catcher to dress for the next inning. The same rule applies for an injured runner.

Dropped 3rd Strike: For Senior Boys, Junior Boys and Novice/Bantam Girls: If the catcher drops the 3rd strike, the runner may run to 1st if it is not occupied or if 1st is occupied and there are 2 outs.

Infield Fly Rule: Junior Boys, Senior Boys, Novice/Bantam Girls: An out is charged to the batter when he/she hits a fair fly ball (not including a line drive nor an attempted bunt) which can be caught by an infielder with ordinary effort, when 1st and 2nd bases are occupied or bases are loaded and there are less than 2 outs. If the ball is handled by an outfielder and in the umpire's judgment, the ball could have been easily handled by an infielder; it is still an infield fly.

Pitcher Hitting Batter with Pitch: If a pitcher hits 2 batters in the course of an inning, he/she will not be allowed to pitch for the remainder of the inning. If a pitcher hits 3 batters during the course of

a game, that pitcher will not be allowed to pitch for the remainder of the game.

Runner Hit by Batted Ball: A runner hit by a batted ball is out when he/she is touched by a fair ball in fair territory before the ball has touched or passed an infielder. When a fair ball goes through or by an infielder and touches a runner immediately in back of him, or touches a runner after being deflected by an infielder and the ball is in play, the runner is not out.

Sliding Head First: All divisions, automatic out. If a runner is leading off and dives back (not slides) to a base before being tagged out, he or she is safe.

All-Star Classification: The classification, (hardball or softball), a player is registered in house league, is the classification that player is eligible to try out for in the All-Star Division.