



2018 RULES AND REGULATIONS

BY AGE GROUP

The following rules are established for each age group to make sure that the players are able to enjoy their time on the field and have ample opportunity to learn the game at a speed and level where everyone is equal.

9, 10 and 11 Year Olds – Monarch Division

1. Games shall be no longer than 6 innings or one hour and thirty minutes (1:30) in time. If the game is tied at the end of either of these, it shall continue until a team leads at the end of a complete inning.
2. In case of weather, three (3) innings will constitute a complete game.
3. A full and complete inning is over after the home team has completed their time at bat. A teams offensive inning will conclude once the third (3) out is recorded or the sixth (6) run of the inning is scored. This rule is waived in the 6th inning and any subsequent inning after.
4. The pitching rubber shall be placed 46 feet from home plate.
5. Base distance will be 65 feet.
6. ***Teams in this division shall be limited to four (4) coaches/adults on the field/dugout for any game. For the purpose of this rule, an adult shall be considered anyone over the age of sixteen (16).***
7. ***No one under the age of nine (9) or between the ages of twelve (12) and fifteen (15) will be allowed in the dugout/field during the contest.***
8. ***Teams in the Monarch Division shall bat everyone eligible and in attendance at the game.***
9. ***Players in the Monarch Division are required to play at least one (1) defensive inning.***
10. The dropped third strike rule will NOT be in effect inside this division. The batter-runner may not advance and all other runners advance at their own risk.
11. Runners may NOT lead off.
12. Runners may steal once the pitch crosses home plate. This is a judgement call by the umpires. If a runner leaves early, he shall return to the base he left early with no other penalty. If the ball is put in play, the runner that left early will be placed back one base from where they end the play.
13. Runners may not score due to a passed ball.
14. The infield fly rule will not be enforced.
15. Courtesy Runners may be used for the catcher of record. This must be declared by the coach at pregame. The runner may only be used for the catcher that caught the previous defensive inning and if the same catcher will be used the next defensive inning. Violation of this rule will result in the courtesy runner being lost for the remainder of the game.
16. ***If a team in the Monarch Division is leading by ten (10) or more runs at the end of four (4) complete innings (3 ½ if home team) the game shall be considered complete and will end.***

17. Coaches are responsible for keeping their players safe and healthy. With that in mind, the league recommends that pitch counts are kept on each pitcher and the following guidelines be followed for appropriate rest.
 - a. If a pitcher makes an appearance in two consecutive days, they should rest for two (2) days. Rest is defined as not pitching. It does not mean they cannot play another position.
 - b. Less than 40 pitches – able to pitch the next day
 - c. 40-55 pitches – 1 day rest
 - d. 55-75 pitches – 2 days rest