



## 2026 Farm Supplemental Rules

### **The Farm Division:**

- The season will consist of 16-19 games (weather permitting) and we will follow the 2026 Green Book Regular Season Playing Rules and the following supplemental rules:
- The Farm division is typically for 7-8 year old players. This division is for kids not ready for the Minor division, but more advanced than the Coach Pitch division and a great division for transition into the Minor division.
- Requesting coaches will not be honored unless there is an extenuating hardship. Such hardship situations must be reviewed and approved by the Executive Board.
- Try outs will be required for this division.
- The Executive Board may appoint a team to participate in this division outside of the draft process. Any team appointed in this manner is not eligible to participate in the Farm in-house TOC tournament.
- This division will conduct a full redraft. All registered players are required to participate in tryouts.
- The draft will be conducted in accordance with Little League's 2026 draft method for existing leagues (Plan B). The sibling rule will be in effect.
- A protected player is defined as the child(ren) of 1 manager and up to 2 coaches.
- All managers and coaches and protected players must be declared prior to the first tryout.
- Protected players are required to participate in tryouts.
- Managers are prohibited from adding coaches after the draft in a manner that would result in a player being removed from another team, except through an approved trade process.
- Rosters will consist of typically 11-13 players.
- Games will be played against other FOVLL teams.
- This division will be player pitch and nine players on the field with an umpire, junior umpire, coach or Approved Parent Volunteer.
- 60' base paths, home run fence set between 150' and 165'. The pitching mound will be set at 40' all season.
- All players should have the following equipment: mitt, cleats, protective cup and supporter, helmet, bat, and bag.
- Uniform will consist of League provided shirt and hat. Player is required to provide pants, socks and belts of the Manager's color selection.

- Minimum play time every game shall be 6 defensive outs. However, we highly encourage having 9 defensive outs.
- Since this is a developmental division, we are requiring that no player is to play in a single position for more than 2 innings of each game. Pitchers and catchers are exempt from this rule. This applies to both regular season and TOC games.
- There will be a 5-run limit per inning per team.
- There will be a continuous batting order as described in the 2026 Little League Green Book.
- Runners may steal only one base at a time.
- Stealing home is not allowed under any circumstances.
- The only way to score is when the ball is put into play by batter contact or by the pitcher walking a batter (or hit by pitch) with the bases loaded.
- As soon as a pitcher walks two batters in an inning and the third batter receives 4 balls, they will remain at the plate and the coach will pitch three pitches to that batter. This will continue for every walk for the rest of the inning. Hit-by-pitch shall be considered the same as a walk for this rule. A new pitcher in the same inning keeps this rule intact and the coach will continue to throw until the inning is over. Foul ball on last pitch from Coach earns an additional pitch.
- Coaches pitching to batters must keep one foot on the mound when pitching.
- When a batter hits a ball off a coach pitch, the batter and all base runners may advance only one base.
- On a hit ball, runners can continue to advance until the ball is stopped in the pitchers' possession, within 5' of the rubber. If the pitcher continues the play by making additional throws, then the play is still live and the runners can continue to advance.
- There will be no season standings for the entire season.
- No new inning may begin after 1 hour 30 minutes of game time.
- The game will end at a drop-dead time of 1 hour 50 minutes.
- If the game is tied after six (6) innings, play will continue until the time limit is reached. Beginning with the top of the 7th inning, the last player who made an out in the previous inning will start as a runner on second base.
- If no winner has been declared when the time limit is reached, the game will end in a tie.
- The "home" team will take the 3rd base dugout and set up the field before games and provide a score keeper.
- The "away" team will take the 1st base dugout, breakdown the field after game, and provide a pitch counter.
- There will be an in-house TOC tournament with a blind draw selection with all managers present. This will be a double elimination bracketed tournament.

## **TOC**

- Regular season rules apply in the in-house TOC with the following notations:
- Minimum play time of 6 consecutive defensive outs.
- Continuous batting order remains in force.
- No new inning may begin after 1 hour 50 minutes.
- A drop-dead time is enforced at 2 hours 10 minutes.
- If the drop-dead time is reached during an inning, the score will revert to the last fully completed inning.
- Mercy Rule: 10 Run Rule in effect after 4 innings. 5 Run Rule per team, per inning remains until final inning declared by the plate Umpire.
- The umpire will announce the final inning prior to the start of that inning, unless the mercy rule goes into effect after four (4) innings.
- Unlimited runs are permitted in the final inning and will be announced by the umpire prior to the start of the inning.
- Home and away will be decided by the Executive Board prior to the tournament.
- Home team will provide scorekeeper, visiting team will provide official pitch counter.
- For the first championship game the team from the winner bracket is the home team.
- If a game is tied after 6 innings or time limit expires, play will continue until a winner is declared. Beginning in the top of the next inning, the last player out in the previous inning will start as a runner on 2nd base.
- Copy scorekeeper and inform BMOD

## **All Stars/District TOC:**

- There is no post season District TOC.
- There is no post season All Star team.

## **Pitching:**

- Follow 2026 Green Book Rules. Any Green Book pitching violation will result in a minimum of a one game suspension for the Manager.
- Regulation VI: Under no circumstances shall a player pitch in three (3) consecutive days.
- League Age 10-year-olds or older cannot pitch in Farm.
- There will be a max of 50 pitches per player per game regardless of age. Per Regulation IV, if threshold is met during an at-bat, the pitcher can continue to pitch until that batter reaches base or is put out.

**Bat Requirements:**

Rule 1.10: The bat must be a baseball bat which meets the USA Baseball Bat standard (USABat) as adopted by Little League. It shall be a smooth, rounded stick, and made of wood or of material and color tested and proved acceptable to the USA Baseball Bat standard (USABat).



Non-wood and laminated bats used in the Little League (Majors) and below, Intermediate (50-70) Division, and Junior League divisions, shall bear the USA Baseball logo signifying that the bat meets the USABat – USA Baseball’s Youth Bat Performance Standard. All BPF – 1.15 bats are prohibited. The bat diameter shall not exceed  $2\frac{5}{8}$  inches for these divisions of play. Bats meeting the Batted Ball Coefficient of Restitution (BBCOR) standard may also be used in the Intermediate (50-70) Division and Junior League Division. Additional information is available at [LittleLeague.org/batinfo](http://LittleLeague.org/batinfo).