



2024 Farm Supplemental Rules

The Farm Division:

- The Farm division is for typically 7-8 year olds. 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 a hardship for transportation. Such hardship situations must be reviewed and approved by the Board.
- Try outs will be required for this division.
- The Executive Board can appoint a team to play in this division that is excluded from the draft. This team will not be eligible to participate in the Farm in-house TOC tournament.
- There will be an entire redraft for this division with all existing 2024 season protected players needing to try out. The draft will be conducted in accordance with the 2024 Little League's method for existing leagues, Plan B. Sibling rule is in effect.
- Protected Players of 1 Manager and 2 Assistant Coaches must be declared prior to the first tryout. Protected players are required to tryout.
- 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: mitt, cleats, protective cup and supporter, helmet, and bat. Uniform will consist of League provided shirt and hat. Player is required to provide pants, socks and belts of the Manager's color selection, and protective cup and supporter.
- The season will consist of 16-19 games (weather permitting) and we will follow the 2024 Green Book Regular Season Playing Rules and the following supplemental rules:
- 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 2024 Little League Green Book.
- Stealing is allowed as described in the Green Book.
- Stealing home is NOT allowed.
- 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.
- In the event a batter hits the ball off of a coach pitch, all base runners (including the batter) may only advance a MAXIMUM of two bases at their own risk.
- League Age 10-year-olds 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.
- 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 will start after 1 hour 30 minute and game time will be limited to 1 hour 50 minute drop dead time. If a game is tied after 6 innings, play will continue until the time limit is reached. Beginning in the top of the 7th inning, the last player out in the previous inning will start as a runner on 2nd 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 and snack bar worker.
- 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:
- 10 Run Rule in effect after 4 innings. 5 Run Rule per team, per inning remains.
- Minimum play time of 6 consecutive defensive outs.
- Continuous batting order remains in force.
- No drop dead time in TOC. No new inning after 1 hour 30 minutes. Umpire will announce the final inning prior to beginning of the final inning, unless mercy rule goes into effect after

4 innings. Unlimited runs in final inning, will be announced by umpire prior to beginning the final 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
- Visiting team will provide snack bar worker
- For the first championship game the team from the winner bracket is the home team.
- No new inning will start after 1hr 50min. 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 score keeper and inform BMOD

All Stars/District TOC:

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

Pitching:

- Follow 2024 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.

Bat Requirements:

- Rule 1.10 - The bat must be a baseball bat which meets Little League specifications and standards as noted in this rule.
- Beginning with the 2018 season, non-wood and laminated bats used in the Little League (Majors) and below, Intermediate (50-70) Division, Junior League divisions, and Challenger division shall bear the USA Baseball logo signifying that the bat meets the USABat – USA Baseball Youth Bat Performance Standard. All BPF – 1.15 bats will be prohibited beginning with the 2018 season.
- Additionally, starting in 2018, the bat diameter shall not exceed 2 5/8 inches for these divisions of play. Additional information is available at LittleLeague.org/batinfo.
- Bats carrying the mark “Little League Tee Ball” are also allowed in the Coach Pitch division.