

# **2025 Major Supplemental Rules**

## **The Major Division:**

- The Major division is for typically 11-12 year olds with 10 year olds eligible with Coach and Board approval.
- Try outs will be required for this division.
- 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 10-13 players.
- Games will be played against other FOVLL teams.
- This division will be player pitch and nine players on the field with a certified umpire, junior umpire, coach or Approved Parent Volunteer.
- 60' base paths, home run fence set between 215' and 235'. The pitching mound will be set at 46' 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 regular season will consist of 15-24 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.
- 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.
- Pinch runners are only allowed if the other Manager approves to speed up the game (i.e. getting catchers gear on).
- The season will consist of three parts, namely: (1) exhibition (weather permitting), (2) regular season and (3) an in-house Tournament of Champions (TOC) which is governed by Green Book Regular Season rules. The standings from the exhibitions will not count toward anything.

- There will be a 5 run inning rule only for the exhibition games. This will allow you to rotate more players through for experience before regular season starts. Regular season and inhouse TOC's will be no minimum run rule.
- Rule 4.109(E) also known as the 10-Run Rule will be in effect. Once a game is "official" after 3-1/2 innings, if the Home team is up 10 or more runs or after the completion of 4 innings if the visiting team is up 10 or more runs, the scoreboard will be turned off and the losing team will concede victory. Both teams will continue to play until six innings have been completed or time has expired to develop and train players in alternate positions while keeping safety for the players as their number one priority. The pitchers pitch count will still be counted on pitch count sheet and pitching regulations based on Regulation VI of the Little League 2024 Rulebook will still be strictly enforced.
- There will be season standings for the entire season, excluding exhibition games.
- No new inning will start after 2hr 10min and game time will be limited to 2hr 40 min 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:
- The standings from the regular season will determine the seeding for the inhouse TOC tournament. The In-house TOC will be a double elimination bracketed tournament.
- In-house TOC's are an extension of the regular season and Green Book tournament rules do not apply.
- 10 Run Rule in effect after 4 innings.
- Minimum play time of 6 defensive outs.
- Continuous batting order remains in force
- Home and away teams 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 2hr 10min. If a game is tied after 6 innings or time limit expires, play will continue until a winner is declared. 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.

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

- There may be a post season District TOC.
- All Star selection will be picked from the top 20 Manager/Coach votes. The top 20 players will participate in a 1-3 day All Star practice so that the Manager can hand select his/her top players. Final roster will be submitted and needing Board approval prior to announcing.
- The All Star roster will be a minimum of 12 players and a max of 14.
- Players must have participated in at least 60% of the regular season games unless eligible player has a medical doctors note.
- League Age 10 year olds who participated in the Major division will be eligible for the 9/10 year old team, and the League Age 10, 11 year olds will be eligible for the 10/11 year old All Star team ballot.
- The All Star team's Manager will be determined and approved by the Board President.

#### 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 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 2½ 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.