

BB Majors and AAA Rules

- 1. Games are 6 innings.
- 2. In case of inclement weather, 4 innings will constitute a complete game.
- 3. If home team is ahead, in run count, after 3 at bats and 4 defensive innings, game is considered completed.
- 4. Players must field a minimum of 12 outs per game. If player does not, player is required to play the entire next game in the field.
- 5. Two base coaches are allowed.
 - a. One coach must remain in the dugout at all times. A helmeted player may be used to "coach" a base
- 6. See LL handbook for pitching counts.
- 7. Umpire discretion to remove a pitcher deemed clearly 'wild' after 3rd batter, in inning, is 'hit by pitch'.
- 8. Runner leaves base when ball crosses home plate.
- 9. Games will have a 2 hour time limit. No inning will begin after 1 hour 45 minutes from start.
- 10. 8 run Mercy rule after five (5) innings, 10 run Mercy rule after four (4) innings, 15 run Mercy Rule after three (3) innings.
- 11. Drop 3rd Strike is in effect (any ball that touches the ground including a bounced pitch prior to the catcher possessing the ball is considered "dropped") (LL Rule 6.09(b))

Hudsonville Little League Rules

- a. Continuous Batting Order (CBO) all players bat
- b. Free defensive player substitutions
- c. No 'on-deck' circle practice swings allowed ONLY in batter's box (Majors and below)
- d. Pre-game batting practice: -Hitting aids, such as plastic or foam balls and hit sticks, are allowed at all levels. -No aids may be used upon start of game. -Batting practice using regulation balls is allowed ONLY in the batting cages, and shall NOT be allowed on the fields during pre-game warm-up.
- e. 8 PLAYERS PER TEAM, MINIMUM, TO PLAY A GAME. Visiting team may start with less than 8 players but must field 8 players in bottom of 1st inning. (Excludes Minors 'A' and Rookie Divisions)
- f. Once game begins, no swings are allowed on or around the field of play, except for the batter, per rule '4c'.
- g. Umpires and Managers will make cancellation decisions at game time (if Field Director not present)
- h. Games will be cancelled if Thunderstorm or Tornado warning or Tornado watch occurs 1 hour before game. In the event of lightning or thunder, game must be stopped until a 15 minute period has elapsed without lightning or thunder.
- i. Bats must meet all LL specifications.
- j. Batters should keep 1 foot in the Batter's Box unless a play is live, or time has been given to talk with the coach. (LL Rule 6.02 (c))
- k. Obstruction Rules Apply (LL Rules 7.05 and 7.06)
- I. Runners must avoid a collision with a player possessing the ball (LL Rule 7.08(a)(3))
- m. In-Field Fly (LL Rule 6.05(d)) is in effect for all Divisions AAA and above (excludes Rookie, A, A-Adv, AA, and AA-Adv)
- n. Runner's may not slide head first while advancing to a base for Majors and below (LL Rule 7.08(a)(4))
- o. Questioning of an umpire's call can only come from Manager (acting)
- p. Each Team needs at least 1 coach in dugout at all times
- q. No Coach's Agreements