**CT District 10 Little League Softball**

**Interleague Play Agreement**

**Coach Pitch (6 - 8 Year Old) Softball Division**

**1. General Rules**:

1.1. The Coach Pitch Softball Division is an instructional, non-competitive coach pitch or machine pitch softball division governed by Official Little League Minor League rules as amended herein

1.2. Players league age 6 – 8 is eligible to play in this division.

1.3. There shall be no restrictions regarding minimum or maximum number of players per team

1.4. There are no restrictions to the number of coaches per team.

1.5. No scores will be officially kept

1.6. No wins and losses will be determined or standings kept

1.7. Up to two coaches may be in the field of play to instruct the defense. Coaches may call time-out at any point between plays for player instruction

1.8. A continuous batting order shall be utilized which shall include all players on the team roster present for the game batting in order

1.9. Every player on the roster may play defensively in the field simultaneously. In the infield, only the standard positions shall be occupied at the beginning of each play. In other words, extra players shall be positioned in the outfield, no closer than the edge of the infield dirt

1.10. All players shall play at least one complete inning as an infielder

1.11. Game length shall not exceed six (6) innings or one and a half hours in duration. Games shall not be scheduled to start prior to 5:30 during the week. No inning shall start after 1.5 hour time limit has expired.

1.12. The side is out when the defensive team completes three (3) putouts in its half-inning or the offensive team scores four runs in the half-inning, whichever comes first.

1.13 Regulation (hard) 11” softballs will be used.

**2. Rules of Play**

2.1. **Pitching:**

2.1.1. Pitching shall be by the coach of the team at bat or by a pitching machine operated by the coach of the team at bat

2.1.2. If a pitching machine is used, it must be used by both teams

2.1.3. Machine pitching shall be from a distance of 35 feet. It is encouraged that coach pitching also be from a distance of 35 feet.

2.2. **Batting:**

2.2.1. An at-bat will continue until the ball is put into play. Once a batter has received 5

 strikes (swinging or called) a tee shall used

2.2.2. Foul balls will count as strikes, if first or second strike

2.2.3. Bunting is not permitted

2.3. **Base-running**

2.3.1. Base-stealing is not permitted

2.3.2. Play shall continue (base-runners may advance one base on the first overthrow) until the ball is controlled in the pitcher’s circle

2.3.3 A ball that is hit/rolls into the outfield the base runner may attempt to advance 2 bases.

2.4. **Fielding:**

2.4.1. The infield fly rule does not apply