## 2023 MINOR DIVISION SOFTBALL RULES

- 1. THE HOME TEAM TAKES THIRD BASE DUGOUT. VISITORS WILL TAKE THE FIRST BASE DUGOUT.
- 2. 11IN BALL WILL BE USED IN THIS DIVISION.
- 3. EACH TEAM MUST PLAY A CONTINUOUS BATTING ORDER (FULL LINE UP).
- 4. ALL PLAYERS MUST PLAY 6 DEFENSIVE OUTS
- 5. PLAYERS MAY ONLY PITCH 2 INNINGS A GAME.
- 6. RUNNERS MAY STEAL ONCE THE BALL CROSSES THE PLATE.
- 7. THE PITCHING DISTANCE IS 35 FEET.
- 8. THE DROP THIRD STRIKE RULE IS **NOT** IN EFFECT IN THIS DIVISION.
- 9. EACH HALF INNING WILL END WITH EITHER THREE OUTS OR OFFENSIVE TEAM EARNS 5 RUNS.
- 10. MERCY RULE IS AS FOLLOWS: 15 RUNS AFTER 3 INNINGS, 10 RUNS AFTER 4 INNINGS, 8 RUNS AFTER 5 INNINGS.
- 11. YOU MAY PINCH RUN FOR A PITCHER OR CATCHER ONLY WITH TWO OUTS.
- 12. THERE WILL BE NO NEW INNING AFTER 1 HOUR 30 MINUTES.
- 13. YOU MAY ONLY INTENTIONAL WALK EACH PLAYER ONCE PER GAME.
- 14. ALL OTHER RULES WILL BE FOLLOWED ACCORDING TO THE LITTLE LEAGUE RULE BOOK.