

LVLL 2023

FARM DIVISION GROUND RULES

The Official Little League Rule Book governs all play along with the following local modifications.

1. There is no mercy rule and No Infield Fly Rule
 2. There will be no new inning started after 1:45 mins.
 3. There can be two adult base coaches as long as one adult coach remains in the dugout at all times. A maximum of 3 adults (manager and two coaches) are allowed in the dugout. All coaches must coach from inside the dugout and are not allowed to coach on the field, with the exception of the offensive team's base coaches. The names of the three adults (manager and coaches) must be listed on the lineup card each game. Only those three persons will be allowed to coach in that game. If a manager/coach is ejected from the game or has to leave for any other reason, the team will not be allowed to have a replacement coach during that game. **ALL MANAGERS AND COACHES MUST WEAR THEIR LEAGUE APPROVED BADGE.**
 4. The Home team is responsible for supplying the official scorekeeper. The Visiting team is responsible for supplying the official pitch counter. Pitch counts will need to be verified during the game between both teams to assure accuracy. The only acceptable pitch count method is use of the official L.V.L.L. Pitch Count form. The winning team is responsible for emailing lvllinformationofficer@gmail.com with the score of the game.
 5. Pitching logs will be kept by the manager of each team. Prior to the game, the managers of each team need to share their Pitching Log with each other to review pitcher eligibility. If the manager does not have his Pitching Log at the start of the game, he must declare that any pitcher who threw even a single pitch in the previous game threw the maximum allowed for his/her age group. Managers need to sign their Pitching Log and the Pitching Log of the opposing team at the end of each game.
 6. No player shall sit out more than one consecutive defensive inning at a time.
 7. Batting will consist of the entire roster in succession. A player that arrives after the manager/umpire meeting must be placed at the end of the batting order. If a player must leave the game for any reason, his position in the batting order will be skipped without penalty (out).
 8. Player Pitching will be limited by pitch count based on players age as defined in the Little League Handbook. In addition a player cannot exceed 4 complete innings pitched.
 9. A 8/9-year old (one or more) must pitch one complete inning (3 Consecutive Outs) by the start of the 6th inning.
 10. Managers/Coaches ejected from a game receive an automatic 2-game suspension (this does not include the game ejected from), pending a review by the LVLL Disciplinary Committee. Under no circumstances will the punishment be less than a 1-game suspension (this does not include the game ejected from). It is the responsibility of the manager to control the behavior of his/her team's parents.
- Any manager ejected from a game due to parent behavior will receive an automatic 2-game suspension (this does not include the game ejected from), pending review by the LVLL Disciplinary Committee.

Any Manger/Coach that is ejected from a game cannot be replaced in any game during the suspension time period.

11. As per Little League, Int. rule, an inning will be deemed ended after three outs or five runs scored ("5- Run Rule"). The "5-Run Rule" will be in effect in innings 1-5. The rule will not be in effect in the 6th inning.

12. The 6th inning is the only open inning. If the game only goes until the 5th inning that means there will be no open inning.

13. Home team will be allowed the cages for 30 mins 1 hr before the game. Visiting team will be allowed the cages for 30 mins after the home team.

14. Home plate will be open.

15. The dropped third strike rule will not be enforced. This means a batter is out on a called strike three regardless if the catcher cleanly catches the ball.