



Mountain House Little League House Rules 2020

Division: Minors B

“Green Book” Little League Rules & Regulations for Baseball Divisions - 2020 apply, UNO in MHLL local rules as listed below.

Game Play:

1. **COACH PITCH – February 29th - March 15th**
 - a. The batter will get five coach pitches.
 - b. If the ball is not put into play, the batter will be deemed out.
 - c. Walks are not permitted.
 - d. Outs will be recorded. Once three outs are achieved that team is out.

2. **KID/COACH-PITCH – March 15th- April 15th**
 - a. The batter will get five kid pitches.
 - b. If the ball is not put into play, the batter will then get two coach pitches.
 - c. If the ball is still not put into play, the batter will then be deemed out.
 - d. Walks are not permitted.
 - e. Outs will be recorded. Once three outs are achieved that team is out.

3. **KID PITCH- Starts April 16th** (Coaches at their discretion may continue kid/coach pitch play)
4. Normal pitching standards will now be followed; 3 strikes equal an out, 4 balls equal a walk and the 3 run per inning rule is in effect.
5. Each inning is limited to: One time through the complete line-up, 3 outs, or 3 runs, including the last inning.
6. No more than 50 pitches per player.
7. Games are limited to 6 innings.
8. No new inning should begin after 1 hours and 55 minutes from the start of the game. If the “last” inning begins before the time limit, that inning shall be completed.
9. Continuous batting order applies (mandatory), meaning all players bat whether or not they are playing a defensive position.
10. Pitching Eligibility will follow Green Book Rules. The official scorekeeper is responsible for tracking pitch count (Foul ball equals a pitch in the pitch count).
11. **RUNNERS:** The batter and base runners will wear batting helmets at all times. If a player voluntarily removes his helmet, the player may be warned once, then called out.
12. Catcher must wear facemask, throat protector and cup at all times.
13. “Hurry-up” rule will be in effect. If the catcher of the next inning is on base with 2 outs, a substitute runner shall be used. Said runner shall be the player who made the second out. This will allow the catcher to put on all safety equipment prior to end of inning.
14. Sliding is permitted. No sliding into first base. Intentional sliding headfirst will be called out, unless returning to a bag.
15. Stealing bases is not permitted. Players cannot leave the base until the ball has reached the batter. If a runner leaves early, they will be sent back to base.
16. Bunting is not permitted.

17. Batter will get 1 warning for throwing a bat. Batter will be called out for throwing a bat a second time. Umpire shall declare ball dead.
18. Play shall end when the pitcher has possession of the ball inside the pitching circle. There is no halfway line in the base path. If the runner has not reached the base prior to the end of play, the runner shall return to the previous base. If 2 runners are between the same bases, the lead runner determines which bases are awarded.
19. Defense consists of a pitcher, catcher, 4 infielders, and 4 outfielders at least 10 feet behind outfield arc. No player can play in the infield more than 3 innings in any game. This rule does not include pitcher/catchers when players are pitching.
20. At the Umpire's/Manager's discretion, pitchers throwing less than 50% strikes may move closer to the plate from the rubber but must remain in the chalked circle surrounding the mound. There will be a line placed two feet in front of the pitching rubber. The pitcher cannot pitch from beyond this line.
21. Only one base may be advanced on an overthrow. (Example: If a ball is overthrown at first base, the runner may advance to second base, if the ball is then overthrown at second base no additional base should be taken.)

Coaches:

1. Two adult base coaches are allowed on offense. No coaches are allowed on the field on defense. One bench coach is required. There must be at least one adult in the dugout at all times.
2. Swearing, foul language, derogatory or inflammatory statements by Managers, Coaches, players, or parents is grounds for immediate ejection and suspension. If you observe any of these occurring please notify a manager/coach or contact a member of the Mountain House Little League at www.mountainhouselittleleague.com and we will deal with these issues.
3. Coaches/Manager/Parents will umpire their own games.
4. Home team provides an "official" Scorekeeper to track: Innings, outs, runs, line-up, & pitch counts.
5. Line-up cards will be used and distributed to the other teams prior to the start of the game.

Field Setup/Cleanup:

1. The home team will be required to prep the field for the game.
2. The visiting team will put away the bases after the game.

Not putting the equipment away results in major losses of our equipment yearly. It is everyone's responsibility to maintain the league's property. If you notice that equipment is not properly put away, put it away or contact someone on the Board to secure the equipment.

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