

2012 FALL BASEBALL RULES

T-BALL DIVISION

The game will conclude after one hour or three innings played. A half inning consists when all players in the lineup have hit, regardless of outs recorded. All players present are inserted in the continuous batting order. Player(s) put "out" at any base shall **NOT** be removed from the bases. All players in the batting order will play defense. The infield defense will remain traditional, with the remaining players evenly spaced in the outfield. Only one player will occupy the pitcher's position. Coaches will rotate players each defensive inning throughout the game. The pitcher (player) will remain on the pitching mound, clay area, until the ball is put into play. The ball should travel at least ten feet to be considered in "play." No runners may advance on overthrows. On balls hit to the outfield, runners may advance two bases. There is no "Infield Fly Rule." Players will receive five pitches per at bat, prior to using the hitting tee. Coaches will pitch on one knee, overhand, roughly five yards from the hitter. Coaches will be on the field with players providing instruction, positive feedback and encouragement.

COACH PITCH/MINOR 2

The game will conclude after 1 ½ hours (90 minutes) or five innings. A half inning consists of three outs recorded by the defense, or five runs scored by the offense for the duration of the game. All players present make up the batting lineup, continuous order. Each batter will receive 7 pitches, **NO** exceptions. Unless, fouling off the last pitch. If the player does not put the ball in play, he/she will return to the dugout, **NO** out recorded. Coaches may soft toss, pitch at any distance to the batter within the 7 pitches. No bunting or stealing bases permitted at this level. The player fielding the pitchers position must have both feet on the pitcher's mound/clay area prior to the ball being in play. Ten or eleven players are permitted on defense, fifth outfielder optional. Outfielders **MUST** be positioned at least 8-10 yards from the nearest base or infielder. Runners may advance one base on overthrows to bases. On balls hit to the outfield, runners may advance until the ball is controlled by an infielder, clay area. If the runner is between bases and controlled by an infielder, the runner shall

return to the prior base if less than half way between bases. There is no “Infield Fly Rule” for this division. Players will **NOT** sit the bench for consecutive innings. Coaches will be stationed on the field providing instruction and encouragement. Teams will not keep score at this instructional level. The scoreboard will not be tracking runs. Coaches will rotate players defensively each inning. The coaches involved will umpire Minor 2 games. Base coaches will render the calls on the bases (Out/Safe). The scoreboard will not be operational for games.

MINOR 1/PLAYER PITCH

The game will conclude after two hours or six innings completed. A half inning consists of three outs being recorded, or five runs scored. This applies for the duration of the game. All players present make up a continuous batting order. A player may **NOT** pitch more than two innings per game. Once a pitcher is removed from the position, he/she cannot return to pitch. A player will **NOT** sit the bench for consecutive innings. Nine players are permitted on defense. All other “**GREEN BOOK**” rules apply. There is no ten run rule for Fall Baseball, being there is no scoreboard. Fall baseball is instructional based. Teams may opt to keep a personal scorebook.

MAJORS

The game will conclude after six innings. The five run rule applies for the entire game. Players may pitch two innings per game. Once a pitcher is removed from a game, he/she **CANNOT** return to the position. All players present make up a continuous batting order. The ten run rule will not be enforced. Players will not sit the bench for consecutive innings. All other “**Green Book**” rules apply. There is no scoreboard due to the instructional nature of Fall Baseball. Teams may opt to keep a personal scorebook.

PLEASE NOTE: Only registered players may participate in league games and practices for insurance purposes. If you do not have nine players present for a game, you may borrow a player(s) from your opponent. Also, you may obtain a player from another team within your division. Please remember fall baseball is

an instructional league. This is a great opportunity for coaches to rotate players through positions on the field.

In addition, please ensure your players are wearing their baseball uniforms appropriately. We would like to see our players with their shirts neatly tucked, and hats worn traditionally.

Home team will be responsible to prepare the field for play. Managers will be asked to umpire games throughout the fall season. Umpire equipment will be available upon request.

All MILL teams will supply volunteers for the concession area, regardless of home/visitor status. We only play one game per week. Your cooperation is appreciated.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me directly.

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