

*Parkland Little League (PLL) House Rules have been created with the intent of being used in conjunction with LL's 2010 rulebook. It is the RESPONSIBILITY of EVERY Manager, Coach, & Umpire to read both references. Except for the PLL House Rules specified below, it is the intent of the Board of PLL that all official LL rules will apply. Unless specified otherwise, PLL House Rules will apply to the regular season & the postseason.*

**POSTSEASON** - All teams will enter a double elimination postseason tournament. Such tournament will not seed teams. There will be a blind draw done to establish bracket positions. It is the intent of PLL to widely distribute postseason schedules to maximize the likelihood that all players will know when their teams will be playing postseason games.

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**\* PLL 2010 HOUSE RULES - MINORS – 01/21/10 \***

**1. GAME DURATION-APPLIES TO ALL GAMES, REGULAR SEASON & POSTSEASON** The home plate umpire will be the sole judge with respect to game duration. The definition of INNING in the LL rules clearly states that the top 1/2 of an inning begins once the 3rd out is registered in the immediately prior bottom 1/2-inning. The top 1/2 of an inning may not start after 9:15pm. An inning that began before it was 9:15pm will, if played past 9:30pm, be played to completion, unless it continues to 9:45pm. A game that lasts until 9:45pm must end immediately per Parkland's Parks Curfew

**2. GAME DURATION-APPLIES TO POSTSEASON GAMES ONLY** Postseason games that have had 1 or more innings played & have continued to 9:45pm will be treated as non-regulation & suspended at 9:45pm, with play to resume exactly where it left off at the earliest possible scheduling.

**3. GAME DURATION-APPLIES TO REGULAR SEASON GAMES ONLY** The top 1/2 of an inning may not start if it is past 9:15 P.M. An inning that began before it was 9:15, if played past 9:30 P.M., will be played to completion, unless it continues to 9:45pm. The final score of games ended at 9:45pm will exclude any scoring done in the incomplete inning, HOWEVER, PITCHES MADE DURING THE INCOMPLETE INNING STILL COUNT. Regular season games that remain tied after 6 innings **WILL** go into extra innings if it is not already 9:30 P.M, but will end after two (2) hours from scheduled start where there is a game to follow. Regular season games may end in ties, with scores reverting to previous completed inning.

4. Each ½ inning will end after 3 outs have been made or 5 runs cross the plate each ½ inning. This rule applies to Inter-league games. This rule applies to regular season games.

5. All players will bat in a continuous rotation (1-12).

6. **GAME DURATION** –No inning shall begin after 1 hour and 45 minutes from the scheduled start time where there is a game to follow. Innings started will play to completion.

7. Minors Division will play with 10 defensive players (4 outfielders ) No player shall sit twice until all others have sat at least one inning ,excluding the starting pitcher if still on the mound. Starting pitcher shall be allowed to remain in the game until he reaches his pitch count maximum. That player will then be required to sit the following inning once removed from the game. i.e. if removed in the third inning, whether it be the end or middle of that inning he shall sit the fourth inning. Defensive replacements entering game for 1<sup>st</sup> time must play 6 consecutive outs on defense. The opposing manager must notify the head umpire during the game and contact the division director after the game if he believes this rule has not been met. The division director will confirm with the head umpire for that game, and once confirmed, that violating team manager will be suspended for the next game.

8. **DUGOUTS** Home teams will occupy the 1st base dugout for both regular season & postseason games. Swinging of bats in the dugout is strictly prohibited. Notes 1 & 2 to LL Rule 1.08 specify that only the 1st batter of each 1/2-inning will be permitted outside the dugout between 1/2-innings and that the on-deck position is not permitted. Only rostered Players & Coaches are allowed on the field or in the dugout at any time. Parents, siblings, batboys, & batgirls are not permitted on the field or in the dugout at any time. There must be at least one Coach inside the dugout at all times.

9. **INFIELD FLY RULE** The Infield Fly Rule DOES apply in this division

10. **PITCHER WARM-UPS** No coach or other adult may warm up a pitcher at any time, including practice, pre-game, & between innings. Only another teammate may warm up a pitcher. The player warming up the pitcher **MUST** wear a catcher's helmet & mask with dangling throat guard, whether behind home plate prior to a 1/2-inning's start or in the bullpen. Additional equipment is not required if the batter is not in the batter's box. Whenever a player warms up a pitcher in the bullpen, there must be an additional teammate stationed there, wearing both a batting helmet and fielder's glove, to offer protection from batted & thrown balls for all three teammates.

11. There is no Butcher Boy play allowed in PLL Minor League Division