

Mountain House Little League House Rules Division: Juniors

"Green Book" Little League Rules & Regulations for Baseball Divisions - 2023 apply, UNO in MHLL local rules as listed below.

Game Play:

1. Regulation Game: 7 Innings. Games considered Complete after 5 Innings. Games called due to weather, darkness or curfew after one complete inning, but before regulation criteria are reached, shall be resumed from the exact point of play at which they were suspended.

2. Mercy Rule: 15 Run's after 4 innings, 10 runs after 5 innings, 8 runs after 6 innings. Top half of inning if home team is ahead.

3. Number of Players: Minimum of 8 must be available to start and continue a game.

4. Minimum Playing Time per Game: Continuous batting order six consecutive outs in the field.

5. Pitching Limits: Players will follow pitching restrictions as defined by age as outlined in Regulation VI, whether the player participates in two divisions, i.e., the pitcher's record "follows" the pitcher from one division to the next. Additionally, players must adhere to the catching restrictions also outlined in Regulation VI. A pitcher who has thrown at least 41 pitches in a game cannot play catcher the remainder of the day. A catcher who has caught in all or part of 4 innings cannot pitch the remainder of the day.

6. Pitcher Re-Entry: A pitcher remaining in the game moving to a different position can return to the mound once in the game. If they leave the lineup after pitching, they cannot return as a pitcher.

7. Balks / Illegal Pitches: 1st Offense will receive a warning, future offense will be enforced

8. Base Running: Leading and Stealing Allowed. No requirement for a runner to slide at any base at any time. Interference rules require the runner to take action to avoid contact when a tag is being attempted on them. Obstruction rules require the fielder, including catchers to not block access to the baseline or base without possession of the ball.

9. Dropped 3rd Strike: Enforced

10. Equipment: Helmets required by batter and on base paths. Cleats with metal spikes are permitted. (No metal spikes on our artificial mounds)

11. Managers or coaches are permitted to warm up a pitcher at home plate or in the bullpen or elsewhere at any time including in-game warm-up, pre-game warm-up, and in other instances. They may also stand by to observe a pitcher during warm-up in the bullpen.

12. Rule 6.08(a)(2): This revises the intentional walk rule so that a player may only be intentionally walked by announcing such decision to the plate umpire one time during the game. This would not restrict a team from throwing four balls outside of the strike zone to this batter at another time during the game.

13. : COURTESY RUNNER: A tournament team may permit a "courtesy runner" for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs. Utilizing continuous batting order, the courtesy runner may be in the team's batting order and must be the player in the batting order who made the last out. • d. Senior Division: Twice a game but not more than one time per inning, a team may utilize a player who is not in the batting order as a special pinch-runner for any offensive player. A player may only be removed for a special pinch-runner one time during a game. The player for whom the pinch-runner runs is not subject to removal from the lineup. If the pinch-runner remains in the game as a substitute defensive or offensive player, the player may not be used again as a pinch-runner while in the batting order. However, if removed for another substitute that player or any player not in the line-up, is again eligible to be used as a pinch runner

Coaches:

- 1. A maximum of three (3) adults will be permitted to act as manager/coaches on the field per team/game.
- 2. Two adult or one adult and one player (player must wear batting helmet) base coaches are allowed on offense. No coaches are allowed on the field on defense. One bench coach is required. There must be always at least one adult in the dugout.
- 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.
- 4. Line-up cards will be used and distributed to the other team, the official scorekeeper and umpire prior to the start of the game. Once the line-up has been submitted, it is official.

Ground rules for spectators

- Dogs on leashes are permitted.
- Outside food is permitted
- Harassment of Umpires is not tolerated and can result in ejection of parents/fans