

Tucson Mountain Little League

Local Rules for All Divisions

- 1. Staring Play:** All games must start on time. If a team does not have the required 9 players at the time, a 10 minute wait is allowed. If a previous game went into extra innings, the game must start within 15 minutes of the end of the previous game. Infield warm-up is not mandatory, but a courtesy time permitting.

If a coach knows 3 days prior to a schedule game time that he/she will not be able to field a team then he/she must notify the respective Commissioner and the opposing team. If good cause is demonstrated the Commissioner will reschedule a game at time and place agreeable to all parties.

- 2. Game Time Limitation for Minors and Majors Softball and Baseball:** There is a 2-hour limit on all games. No inning shall start with 5 minutes remaining. An inning starts the moment the third out is made. If an inning is in progress at the end of the 2-hour limit then a maximum of 15 minutes will be allowed to complete the inning. Should an inning not complete in the extra time the score will revert back to the last complete inning played.
- 3. Postponement of the game:** Games may be postponed due to rain or poor field conditions by the consensus of both team managers or coaches and the safety officer. Managers then must reschedule at agreed time and with the consent of the Commissioner.
- 4. Protective Cups:** Every male player must wear a protective cup to all practices and games. A player will not be allowed to practice or play without a cup. It is the responsibility of a team managers, coaches, umpires and parents to enforce this rule.
- 5. Unexcused Absence:** Before the beginning of the season a player who misses half or more of the scheduled practices without a valid excuse may temporarily or permanently be suspended or disciplined by the team manager. After the season begins if he/she misses 3 consecutive games or practices without a valid excuse the player may also be suspended or disciplined. All suspensions must have the Boards approval and be documented to be given to the parents.
- 6. Manager Option:** A parent who is managing or coaching a team shall have the option to choose for their child to be on their team. Each team shall be allowed 2 players as Manager or Coach. Siblings may be kept on the same team if requested by parents; however the final decision lies with the Manger for Minors division or below.
- 7. Chin Strap:** Players in Major divisions to T-Ball shall use a helmet with chin strap when batting. Safety First and the utmost importance.
- 8. Stealing Home Minor Division only:** A runner cannot advance from 3rd base on a passed ball until the catcher or defensive player touches the ball.