FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT DEL REY AMERICAN LITTLE LEAGUE

HOW MUCH WILL MY CHILD GET TO PLAY?

This is the most important question of all, it varies by division.

Major/Minor Division: DRALL requires that each child play 3 defensive innings (exceptions are made for games that end prematurely due to darkness or weather). A "continuous" batting order is used, which means all players present bat in order.

PC and Minor Farm Division: DRALL requires that each child plays the entire game defensively, in other words, no player sits on the bench when their team is on the field. Each player must be given the opportunity to play as an infielder (including pitcher and catcher) for at least two of the first four innings of every game.

THESE MINIMUM PLAYING RULES ARE VERY IMPORTANT AND THE PENALTIES FOR NOT ADHERING TO THEM ARE STRICT. IF YOU BELIEVE YOUR CHILD HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN THE CORRECT PLAYING TIME, CONTACT YOUR TEAM MANAGER FIRST, THEN THE APPROPRIATE DIVISION DIRECTOR.

WHAT EQUIPMENT WILL I NEED TO BUY?

DRALL provides each player with a uniform jersey and a cap. While players keep their caps, they must return their jerseys at the end of the season. Players need to provide their own baseball pants, socks, belt, shoes (rubber cleats are strongly recommended, metal cleats are prohibited). A protective cup is also strongly recommended (and is required for catchers). Most players prefer to have their own bats. DRALL supplies batting helmets and catcher's gear.

DOES THE LEAGUE CARRY INSURANCE?

Little League Baseball International provides a secondary health insurance policy covering health care costs incurred due to injury while playing in a scheduled game or practice. However, this policy only covers those costs not covered by the parent's primary health care insurance. All benefits from the primary plan must be exhausted before a claim will be honored under the Little League policy. See attached information sheet. Contact the League President for claims forms.

DRALL also carries liability and property insurance as required by Little League Baseball, the Los Angeles Unified School District and the City of Los Angeles Parks and Recreation Dept.

WHAT KIND OF AWARDS ARE GIVEN?

All players receive a participation trophy. All graduating 12 year olds also receive special recognition.

HOW MANY TEAMS ARE IN EACH DIVISION AND HOW ARE THEY CREATED?

For the 2013 season, the Major Division has 4 teams, the Minor Division has 5 teams: the Minor Farm Division has 4 teams and the P.C. Division has 5 teams.

Little League Baseball International requires that the Major Division teams be formed by means of a player draft. For 2012 the Minor and Minor Farm Division teams will be formed by means of draft. The Minor/PC Player Agent forms the PC Division teams, based on skills ratings, with the goal of creating balanced teams.

WHAT ARE THE DRALL POST-SEASON TOURNAMENTS?

DRALL double elimination tournaments are held mid to late May. Major, Minor and Minor Farm teams participate in these tournaments. The winners in the Major and Minor Divisions represent DRALL in the District 37 Tournament of Champions.

HOW ARE THE ALL-STAR TEAMS SELECTED?

Typically DRALL fields three to four All-Star teams, one composed of 11 and 12 year olds, one composed of 10 and 11 year olds and one or two composed of 9 and 10 year olds. To be eligible for All-stars, a player must have played in at least 60% of the scheduled games for his/her team. More information about All-stars teams will be distributed during the season.

HOW CAN I LEARN ABOUT THE OFFICIAL REGULATIONS AND PLAYING RULES AND DRALL'S LOCAL RULES?

Each Manager and each Executive Board Member has a copy of the official regulations and playing rules. Additionally, the local rules are on the DRALL website (<u>www.drall.org</u>) and will be in the DRALL Program Book which will be distributed in the Spring.

HOW CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT DRALL?

Check our website, www.drall.org, often (and sign up for the DRALL email mailing list on the website). Submit any questions or comments to <u>info@drall.org</u>.

WHAT PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT LITTLE LEAGUE INSURANCE

WARNING: Protective equipment cannot prevent all injuries a player might receive while participating in Baseball / Softball.

The Little League Insurance Program is designed to afford protection to all participants at the most economical cost to the local league. The Little League Player Accident Policy is an excess coverage, accident only plan, to be used as a supplement to other insurance carried under a family policy or insurance provided by parent's employer. If there is no primary coverage, Little League insurance will provide benefits for eligible charges, up to

Usual and Customary allowances for your area, after a \$50.00 deductible per claim, up to the maximum stated benefits.

This plan makes it possible to offer exceptional, affordable protection with assurance to parents that adequate coverage is in force for all chartered and insured Little League approved programs and events.

If your child sustains a covered injury while taking part in a scheduled Little League Baseball or Softball game or practice, here is how the insurance works:

- The Little League Baseball and Softball accident notification form must be completed by parents (if the claimant is under 19 years of age) and a league official and forwarded directly to Little League <u>Headquarters within 20 days after the accident</u>. A photocopy of the form should be made and kept by the parent/claimant. Initial medical/dental treatment must be rendered within 30 days of the Little League accident.
- 2. Itemized bills, including description of service, date of service, procedure and diagnosis codes for medical services/ supplies and/or other documentation related to a claim for benefits are to be provided within 90 days after the accident. In no event shall such proof be furnished later than 12 months from the date the initial medical expense was incurred.
- 3. When other insurance is present, parents or claimant must forward copies of the Explanation of Benefits or Notice/ Letter of Denial for each charge directly to Little League Headquarters, even if the charges do not exceed the deductible of the primary insurance program.
- 4. Policy provides benefits for eligible medical expenses incurred within 52 weeks of the accident, subject to Excess Coverage and Exclusion provisions of the plan.
- 5. Limited deferred medical/dental benefits may be available for necessary treatment after the 52-week time limit when: (a) Deferred medical benefits apply when necessary treatment requiring the removal of a pin /plate, applied to transfix a bone in the year of injury, or scar tissue removal, after the 52-week time limit is required. The Company will pay the Reasonable Expense incurred, subject to the Policy's maximum limit of \$1 00,000 for anyone injury to anyone Insured. However, in no event will any benefit be paid under this provision for any expenses incurred more than 24 months from the date the injury was sustained.

(b) If the Insured incurs Injury, to sound, natural teeth and Necessary Treatment requires treatment for that Injury be postponed to a date more than 52 weeks after the injury due to, but not limited to, the physiological changes of a growing child, the Company will pay the lesser of: 1. A maximum of \$1,500 or 2. Reasonable Expenses incurred for the deferred dental treatment.

Reasonable Expenses incurred for deferred dental treatment are only covered if they are incurred on or before the Insured's 23rd birthday. Reasonable Expenses incurred for deferred root canal therapy are only covered if they are incurred within 104 weeks after the date the Injury occurs.

No payment will be made for deferred treatment unless the Physician submits written certification, within 52 weeks after the accident, that the treatment must be postponed for the above stated reasons.

Benefits are payable subject to the Excess Coverage and the Exclusions provisions of the Policy.

We hope this brief summary has been helpful in a better understanding of an important aspect of the operation of the Little League endorsed insurance program.