



Majors Baseball Division Local Rules & Policies

Canton Little League's Majors Baseball Division shall play all of its games according to the Official Regulations and Playing Rules of Little League Baseball except as noted in this document.

1. Rule 4.04, allows for a league to adopt a policy of continuous batting order. Canton Little League **Majors** Baseball Division does **not** adopt this policy.
2. In accordance with Rule 4.10 (e) NOTE (2), the 10-run rule, will **not** be used by Canton Little League Majors Baseball Division.

In addition to the changes in the Rule Book listed above, Majors Division Baseball shall abide by the following **Policies** that address issues not covered by the Official Rule Book.

1. Team rosters shall be determined through the Canton Little League Draft Process.
2. The rostered manager and coaches shall be the only adults authorized on the field and/or in the dugout during the game. If any rostered adult is unable to attend all or part of a game, (s) he may choose a substitute, provided that the substitute has completed and submitted **a Little League Volunteer Application**. If a substitute is named, then the rostered adult may not participate in the game in any way.
NOTE: Substitutes may not be named during a game. All games must start and end with the same three adults for each team. **Exception:** If a game is suspended and continued on a different day, substitutes may be named for each day that the game is played.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the **home team** to rake the field before and after each game, and to ensure that the field is properly lined prior to each game. Please note that the town of Canton will line and rake all fields. **We are NOT to rake fields after our games EXCEPT when there are multiple games on the same day** (such as our typical Saturdays). The home team shall rake the field after their game if another game is to be played after their game on the same day. After the last game of the day the home team should NOT rake the field.
EXCEPTION: If it is known on Saturday that a game will be played on your field on Sunday, then the home team should rake the field after the last game on Saturday.
4. In the event that a manager knows his/her team will be shorthanded for a game, (s)he shall call up one or more players from the AAA Division (No one younger than 9-years-old will be allowed to play-up). All call-ups shall be approved by the Player Agent via email back to the coach. The Player Agent will email the other coaches to notify them of the change. **NOTE:** Whenever possible approval/notification of the Player Agent should occur before the game, but if necessary due to time constraints can be made after the game. A team should not continually call up the same individual from the AAA Division.
5. **NO BAT BOYS/GIRLS ARE ALLOWED**



6. Each team, **both home and visitors shall be responsible for providing one person to work the concession stand** each game.
7. Each team is responsible for cleaning their own dugout after the game.
8. If for any reason there is no umpire present at the scheduled game time, then **the home team shall be responsible for finding an umpire.**
9. The **home team** is responsible for providing an **Adult Game Coordinator** for all games. Should an Adult umpire be present on the field the Adult Game Coordinator will be relieved of his/her responsibilities, for that game only.
10. If a game is suspended or postponed, the manager of the home team must notify the VP of Baseball and the League Webmaster. The game shall be made up on the next open date unless otherwise notified by the Board or Directors.
11. A league-wide tournament will be played at the conclusion of the regular season. Details regarding the format and schedule of this tournament are subject to change from year to year based on the number of teams in the league.
12. Special Local Rule regarding visits to the mound (Rule 8.06) with a hearing impaired player on the field. In the event a team has a hearing impaired player on the field as a defensive player and he/she is not the pitcher the team can call a time out if necessary in order to communicate with that hearing impaired player and will not be charged with a visit to the pitcher per rule 8.06. The time out must be used to communicate with the hearing impaired player ONLY and no other player. If the time out is used to communicate with any other player on the field (except to gain the attention of the hearing impaired player) the visit will be a charged visit. Discretion should be used with regards to this special rule so that it does not disrupt the overall rhythm of the game (use it sparingly).
13. Ties in the regular season standings must be broken in order to determine placement into the league tournament.

Ties shall be broken for any place other than first, as follows:

- A tie shall be broken by head-to-head record during the regular season.
- In the event a tie still exists the tie will be broken by a coin flip.

Tie for first place:

A two-way tie for first place shall be broken by a one-game playoff, with the winner taking first place, and the loser taking second place. The home team for this one-game playoff shall be the team with the better head-to-head record during the regular season. (Or a coin flip if there is a tie head to head).