

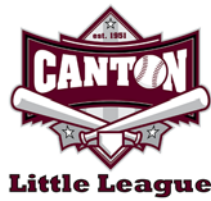


Minors AA Baseball Division Local Rules Regulations and Polices

Canton Little League's Minors AA Baseball Division is an instructional division where learning is far more important than winning. Games shall be played according to this document and the Official Regulations and Playing Rules of Little League Minor League Baseball. If there is a discrepancy between this document and the Official Regulations and Playing Rules of Little League, then this document shall take priority.

Section 1 - Rules

1. Player safety is the overriding consideration for all play and player assignments.
2. Continuous batting order (all players in batting line up Rule 4.04)
3. In accordance with Rule 4.10 (e) NOTE (2), the 10-run rule, will **not** be used by Canton Little League Minors AA Baseball Division.
4. The first two weeks of the season shall be spent on training; no games shall take place.
5. All batters, base runners, and **player** base coaches must wear a helmet at all times.
6. No new inning shall begin more than two (2) hours from the SCHEDULED start time.
NOTE: A new inning begins the INSTANT the 3rd out is made on the home team while on offense.
7. Game play can be suspended momentarily any time there is relaxed action by any of the playing teams' coaches for instruction or discipline purposes—the more the players learn, the more successful their season will be.
8. Games will follow normal baseball game rules, except for the first few games that will emphasize a more instructional format. By game 4 regular little league rules except previously noted will be followed. Managers will be given detailed protocol outlines at the onset of the season.
9. Games will be machine pitched. Pitching will be emphasized in team practices. Consideration for kid pitch games will be reviewed during the season between CLL and the managers. Coach pitch games may be played if conditions hinder the use of the pitching machine.
10. Teams will play 1 to 2 weeknight games and 1 game on Saturday based on league team numbers. Canceled games maybe rescheduled on Sundays.
11. **Bat boys/girls ARE NOT ALLOWED**



Section 2 - Policies

In addition to the changes in the Official Regulations and Playing Rules of Little League listed above, Minors AA Division Baseball shall abide by the following Policies that address issues not covered by the Green Book.

1. Players shall be assigned to their teams by Canton Little League.
2. It is the responsibility of the home team to cover the field with the tarps after the game.
3. Each team, both home and visitors, shall be responsible for providing one person to work the concession stand each game, if applicable.
4. Each team is responsible for cleaning their own bench area after the game.
5. Coaches should encourage interested parents to be 1st and 3rd base coaches.
6. Umpires will not be provided for the games. It is the responsibility of the teams to coordinate umpiring among themselves. CLL will not keep track of records as AA is an instructional league.
7. Keeping score is neither encouraged nor discouraged as this is primarily an instructional league.



Section 3 - Special Rules governing machine-pitch games. (Weekend game are the machine pitch games)

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE: We do NOT want players in the pitching mound (dirt portion or circle) at ANY TIME. Coaches, Managers and Umpires should all take notice and advise any player walking into the pitching mound (dirt portion or circle) that they are not to enter. The pitching machine has an exposed spinning wheel which can cause serious injury if not supervised properly. TIME shall IMMEDIATELY be called if any player enters the mound in order to avoid injury and underscore the importance of this safety regulation. The "Adult Pitcher" **SHALL NOT** leave the mound until relieved by another adult **(AT NO TIME SHALL THE PITCHING MACHINE BE LEFT UNATTENDED DURING THE GAME)**.

1. The offensive team shall provide an "adult pitcher" to feed the pitching machine. (This would allow for the best opportunity to help the hitter.) The adult pitcher shall remain on the pitcher's mound any time the ball is live.
2. If a batted ball touches the pitching machine or the generator the ball shall be dead, the batter Returns to hit again and runners are returned to the previous base.
3. If a thrown ball touches the pitching machine or the generator and immediately rebounds away from the machine, it shall be alive an in play.
4. If a thrown or batted ball comes to rest within the footprint of the pitching machine and its support legs, the ball is dead, and runners return to their last legally touched base, unless forced.
Note: When a batted ball comes to rest within the footprint of the pitching machine and its support legs, the batter shall be awarded a minimum of first base.
5. If the adult pitcher touches a batted ball, then the batter shall be awarded first base, and runners return unless forced.
6. If the adult pitcher intentionally interferes with a thrown ball, the ball shall be declared dead, and all runners shall return to the last base legally touched.
7. If the adult pitcher unintentionally interferes with a thrown ball, the ball shall be alive and in play.
8. After a live play, once the ball has been returned to the player at the pitcher position, the umpire shall declare "Time," and the player at the pitcher position shall give the ball to the adult pitching machine feeder.
9. Even though no warm-up pitches are required, the one-minute time limit in between innings shall still apply. See rule 8.03.