



The White Book

Local Policies and Rules Manual - 2022 Edition

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The Pearland Little League (PLL) Board of Directors (The Board) has adopted this Local Policies and Rules Manual (a.k.a. The White Book), to supplement the Official Little League Rulebook. The Board has the final authority to interpret the Local and Official Little League Rules, which includes ruling on all matters not covered by this manual, and amending the Local Rules as required.

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Each year, at the first regular meeting of the newly elected The Board, a Rules Committee shall be formed. The Rules Committee will examine the Little League rules and recommend additions, deletions, and/or modifications for the upcoming season. It is The Board's final decision to accept or deny any new rules or to modify any existing rules. The Board must uphold Little League rules as described in the Little League Operating Manual unless it receives a waiver of a rule from Little League. The Rules Committee must meet as much as needed to have the new rule recommendations and existing rule modifications presented to The Board at the first meeting in November. These changes must be sent for approval with the Little League Charter as per the Little League Operating Manual. The Little League Player Agent shall chair the Rules Committee. Minutes of all Rules Committee meetings must be taken and be available to The Board upon request. The Rules Committee will be made up of eleven (11) members. The members will consist of the Little League Player Agent, Senior Player Agent, the Safety Director, Coaching Coordinator, and a Manager or Coach of Record from the previous season in each division. There shall not be more than one (1) Manager from each division on the committee unless one (1) of the Managers holds one of the above-mentioned board positions. In the event a division is not represented, the current League Director will fill that position.

Many thanks to all the people who contributed to the development of The White Book, past and present. Your hours of dedication to this league are appreciated!

Scheduling

The scheduling guidelines are created by the scheduling committee each year and approved by the board of directors.

1. Umpires – Games need to be scheduled with at least two games back-to-back to ensure that an umpire can be scheduled for the game. Within the pair of games, the games ideally would be within the same level, but at the least the teams should be within one-level of each other. E.g. a coach pitch game can be scheduled after a TB game on the same field, but a Major game could not.
 2. Concessions – Attempt to schedule games using all four field quadrants for concession purposes. Ideally, this will be four, but three is acceptable.
 3. Challenger League and ITB Games – These games will be scheduled for early Saturday morning or Friday Nights to make it work within the schedule.
 4. Game Times – On weeknights, we will eliminate any buffer time between games in an attempt to get games finished earlier. This means the second game will be scheduled at the same time as the time limit would expire for the first game. E.g. Coach Pitch would have 6:00 PM and 7:30 PM start times. The coaches of the second game would need to have their teams ready to play. The manager meeting would occur immediately after the first game and the game clock would start no more than 10 minutes after the first game ends.
 5. Games per week- Most teams will only be scheduled for two games per week. Any variation from this would occur only due to an odd number of teams in a division or from rescheduled rainouts.
 6. Games per team – We guarantee 12 games but will likely be 14-20 games per division.
 7. Balanced Schedule – The schedule will not necessarily be balanced, but within each division the scheduler will balance the schedule to emphasize intra-division games.
- Schedule Format – Full season standings - the team with the best regular season record would be declared champion using the standings and tie-breaker procedures.
8. Start and End Date – Updated yearly based on the calendar
 9. Preseason Practices – Depending upon number of teams every effort will be made for all divisions to get access to Dads Club fields for at least 1 practice a week in the preseason. The schedule would be weighted to the older divisions (specifically Majors) having significantly more scheduled times. The scheduler will create a schedule where all teams in all divisions will have scheduled field and cage times. Teams within the same division would have the same number of scheduled times. Practices would not be rescheduled if cancelled due to weather.
 10. Preseason Scrimmages – The final two weeks prior to regular season games beginning will be

scrimmage weeks. Each team would be scheduled for Two possibly three scrimmage games on PLL fields. Scrimmage games would not be re-scheduled because of weather.

11. Opening Day – Regular season games will be scheduled for opening day.
12. Postponed/Cancelled Games rescheduling– Games will be placed on the schedule in an available slot determined by the scheduler. See below for more details.
13. In-season Practices – No in-season practices on small side, only Sr field
14. Postseason Tournaments – In the minor division and below a city tournament and/or District tournament will be held. Major division may have a city tournament.
15. Managers/ Coaches of Multiple Teams –times will not overlap. No guarantees of same night games will be made.
16. Saturday Games – No more than eight Saturday games, but as few as 3 can be guaranteed. This does not include scrimmages or tournaments.
17. Late Games – We will do our best to limit late games and balance them between teams
18. Days of Rest Between Games – Having a format of two games per week should limit this issue. In the TB and CP divisions, there will be no limitation on days of rest between games. In the pitching divisions, we will have at least one day rest between games when initial schedule is made, with a goal of at least two when possible.
19. Schedule Requests – SPECIAL SCHEDULE REQUESTS will not be accepted or honored.
20. Schedule Release – The schedule will be released as soon as it is ready with a goal of having it ready as early as draft night. Schedule will be loaded to sports connect. SC will be used to do randomize the schedules.
21. Field Priority by Division
 - a. 50/70 – Field 7
 - b. Major – Major, Field 7, Minor, Field 8, Field 6
 - c. Minor – Minor, Major, Field 7, Field 8, Field 6
 - d. PW –Field 6, Field 8, Minor, Major, Field 7
 - e. CP – CP, Field 5, Field 8, Field 6
 - f. TB – TB, Field 5, Field 6, Field 8
22. Ranking of what factors are most important
 - a. Umpires (Games in Pairs)
 - b. Balance Late Games
 - c. Having all four fields being used within the same quadrant
 - d. Field Preferences for divisions
23. Schedule Creation Process – Using these guidelines, the schedule will be generated using Sports

Connect or other outside software program such as excel. It will be created blindly if possible (SC would do it randomly).

24. Schedule Review – The scheduling committee will review the schedule after it is created. Once the scheduling committee completes the review, the schedule will be submitted to the executive board. The review and submission will be blind, if possible, in that the team names will be removed completely. E.g. the schedule will read West Minor Team 1 rather than West Minor Astros. The President must give final approval of the schedule.

Rescheduling of Games

1. They will be rescheduled in the order in which they were cancelled.

1. The Scheduler shall re-schedule all make-up games and all suspended games at the earliest possible time. These slots could include weeknight, Saturday, or Sunday.

a. In all divisions, the Scheduler will reschedule make-up games and suspended games on any day of the week so long as thirty-six (36) hour of notice is given to the managers of the teams via email or text message.

This rule can be waived if both managers agree.

b. If a team has more than one game to make-up, the most logical ordering of games will occur, this will not necessarily be in first make-up, then second order.

c. The existing thirty-six (36) hour rule is waived during the last forty (40) days of the season and make-up games may be rescheduled at the Scheduler's discretion. If a rainout or resumed game cannot be played because of the inability of either team to place eight players on the field before the game begins, this shall constitute grounds for a forfeit.

2. The Scheduler will attempt to reschedule games in which a team cannot field eight players due to a school or religious function.

Managers must notify their Division Director and the Scheduler at least three (3) days ahead of the scheduled game. Failure to give proper notice is grounds for forfeiture of the game.

Games rescheduled for school or religious functions will be scheduled on the next available day (same as rainouts).

The Manager not requesting the original reschedule may ask for another reschedule if he/she cannot field a team of nine (9). The game may be rescheduled for the next available day, and that game may not be moved again.

The Manager requesting the original reschedule may not request to move the rescheduled game for any reason.

Pre-/Post-Game Responsibilities

1. Prior to games, team warm-up activities will be conducted in the outfield grass. On game days, individuals and/or teams are not allowed to take infield practice on the infield grass.

	Home Team	Visiting Team
Dugout	Third Base Side	First Base Side
Scoreboard/ Scorebook	Official Scorekeeper (scorebook) Pitch count cross checker	Official Pitch Counter Score Board Operator
Frist Game of the Day	Chalk the batter's box & base paths (15 minutes prior to game start)	Remove all tarps and mound covers (15 minutes prior to game start)
Last Game of the Day	All trash must be picked up and emptied from the bleachers, dugout, and around the entire field on both sides. Replace all trash can liners.	Rake and water field Replace all tarps and mound covers.
Game Results and Pitch Counts	Must input scores, pitch counts, and day's rest on the website by 4:00 p.m., the day after every game.	Must validate the score and pitch count data entered

NOTE: Scorebooks, clipboards and Pitch Count Sheets for the Official Pitch Counter and Cross-Checkers are available in the concession stand for field 5, 6, 7 and 8 and upstairs above the concession stand for T-Ball, CP, Minor and Major fields.

2. If the fields need work due to rain earlier in the day, the cages will be closed until the fields are ready to be played on, pending approval by the DOD. A field where parents are working may get authorization from the DOD to use the cages up to fifteen (15) minutes prior to game.
3. Pitch Count Sheets will be kept by parents on both teams.
 - a. When the pitch count gets to fifteen (15) pitches from the maximum allotted number for that particular pitcher (dependent on player's age), the Umpire and Manager will be alerted of the pitch count.
 - b. When a Pitcher reaches his maximum allotment, the Umpire and Manager will be told, and the Pitcher must be removed from the game before the next batter (the Pitcher can finish pitching to the current batter).
 - c. At every pitcher change, both Managers will confirm the previous pitcher's pitch count with the Umpire and sign the official scorecard held by the Umpire.
4. After every game, the Umpires will put the official scorecard in the scorecard box in the concession stand. At the end of each weeknight, the DOD will gather the scorecards from the concession stand and place them in the three binders above the 4-field concession stand. There will be three binders: Pee Wee, Minor, and Major, in the Director's closet. On weekends, at the end of each DOD shift, the DOD will gather the scorecards from the concession stand and place them in the three binders above the 4-field concession stand.

Field and Park Decorum

1. Little League Regulation XIV outlines appropriate behavioural expectations for members of PLL. Any member of PLL who violates Field and Park Decorum rules, which also covers social media post(s), will be subject to discipline by The Board or its designee. The Board authorizes Directors at the park to act immediately in the best interest of the reputation of PLL and the Pearland Area Dad's Club when a violation of these rules occurs.
2. In providing the safest and most positive experience at the park:
 - a. Directors of PLL are granted the authority to remove anyone from the park at their discretion for the remainder of any calendar day for violations of Field and Park Decorum that the Director witnesses directly.
 - b. Directors of PLL are instructed to fill out incident reports for any actions that they witness (and take action on) or that are reported to them. These reports should be given to the DOD or the League President (or Senior Vice-President, if the report is on the League President) for follow-up by The Board or its designee.
 - c. Directors of PLL may not issue suspensions (Rule 4.07) against any member of the league without first receiving consent of The Board. Suspensions may or may not be immediately appealable at the discretion of The Board.
 - d. Directors must follow the incident resolution process (Appendix A) and, within one (1) week, provide notification to The Board and impacted individuals of any actions or penalties that result from the incident.

Safety

1. In the ITB divisions, all batters and base runners must wear helmets with full-face masks, which should not be altered in any way.
 - a. In the T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Pee Wee, Minor, Major, and Senior divisions, batters and base runners must wear helmets with either the full or partial (e.g., c-flap) face shield, which should not be altered in any way. T-ball players playing the catcher position must have a full-face mask.
 - b. Any major injury during the game will constitute an automatic "time out". All runners, whether forced or not, will advance one (1) base. A major injury occurs whenever the ball strikes a player and the player does not immediately continue to play. Safety is our first concern. In cases of a prolonged injury needing medical assistance, the DOD or umpire may "stop the game clock."
 - c. During games or practices, players are not allowed to chew gum or eat.
 - d. Dugouts will be kept in a neat and orderly manner to prevent accidental injuries to players who may otherwise trip over bats, balls, or other equipment.
 - e. All games will be governed by the PLL Safety Program.
 - f. Smoking is only permitted in the parking lot, this includes electronic cigarettes.
 - g. No pets of any kind, other than service animals, are allowed on the park premises.
 - h. All accidents should be reported to the Safety Director within twenty-four (24) hours. (See the Safety Manual for procedures.)
 - i. Batting helmets must always be worn in the batting cages. No bats shall be swung outside the batting cages, soft toss areas, or fields. No pickup baseball games using real bats shall occur on PLL fields or PLL Dad's Club property, plastic bats are available at the concession stand (this does not include scrimmages).
 - j. No noise makers, includes walk up music.

- k. Players playing the position of catcher from Coach Pitch and up must wear a cup, a throat guard on their mask, full chest protector and leg gear.
- l. Closed toed shoes must be worn on the field or in cages.

Team Managers and Coaches Responsibilities

1. All Manager/Coach applications will be submitted to the PLL The Board. Recommendations from Division Directors for Managers and Coaches will be taken from those applications submitted.
2. The Manager must select a Team Mom to aid in the team operation.
3. The Major Division teams will provide Buddies for Challenger games as assigned. When performing as Buddies, each Major Division Team must be represented by no less than fifty (50) percent of the players on their roster, in full uniform.

Penalty: If a team fails to perform as Buddies, then that team's Manager will be ineligible to manage the team's next scheduled game.

4. A Manager may refuse to play a player in a game because of disciplinary reasons relating to behavior in games or in practices. Before refusing to play a player in a game, the Manager must notify and discuss the penalty with the Player Agent, Division Director, and the Player's Parents. The Player must be listed as ineligible on the line-up card and the reason must be recorded in the Official Score Book.

NOTE: If a player is penalized for any reason, then any other player on the team shall be penalized likewise for the same infraction.

5. Regulation IV(a) NOTE 2 and Tournament Rule "Participation in Other Programs" (T-4). PLL recognizes that Little League allows players to participate in multiple baseball programs and participate in the Tournament program. Consistent with the Manager's ability to conduct the affairs of the team, a player who repeatedly misses practices or games for any reason first must be referred to the Division Director and Player Agent for investigation immediately.
 - a. If the Player Agent and Division Director are unable to resolve the truancy issue, the Player and the Parents of the Player in question will be referred to The Board (or The Board's approved designee) for further action, up to and including removal from league eligibility and forfeiture of registration fees.
 - b. A manager may use Rule #4 of this same section to request a game suspension of a player provided the Player Agent and Division Director has notice at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the proposed suspension to validate the circumstances for the absences and if the suspension is in alignment with the treatment of other players. The Player Agent and Division Director must approve or deny the Manager's request no later than twelve (12) hours prior to the start of the game or the suspension is allowed.
6. All Managers/Coaches must submit an online background check application at the following link https://littleleague.quickapp.pro/apply/applicant/new/2082?_ref=qap_session_6ff2f39ab13d41b06ee7eb848ac733e9db80881677ac946b15273e0dedfffb3b and the Safety Director must approve each Volunteer Application. All Managers will receive an approved list of Volunteers from the Safety Director. Managers/Coaches are to verify Volunteers at practices and games. Any Manager/Coach that has unapproved Volunteers in contact with the team (this includes offsite practice) will be suspended for a minimum of one (1) game.
7. During games, three (3) Managers/Coaches may be in the dugout (four (4) Managers/Coaches in T-Ball and Coach Pitch Division, which includes Pitching Coach). When on defense, two (2)

Managers/Coaches can be in the turf area in front of the dugout. During Major games or other Division games played on the Major Field, unless coaching the bases, Managers/Coaches must remain in their dugout.

8. At the immediate conclusion of every game, both Managers will sign the official scorecard held by the Umpire, which will verify the final score and pitch counts.

Website Updates (Pitch Counts/Days Rest/Scores)

1. Home Team Managers must input scores, pitch counts, and day's rest on the website by 4:00 p.m., the day after every game.
 - a. You must call the Information Director by 3:00 p.m. on the day after the game if you cannot enter the data as required above.
 - b. **Penalty:** Failure to input the data above or failure to notify the Information Director as required will result in a warning, any time after that will result in a one (1) game suspension of the Home Team Manager.
2. Visiting Team Managers must validate the score and pitch count data entered.
 - a. If the Visiting Manager feels that there is an error in the score or pitch counts, he should immediately notify the Division Director.

Executive Board Suspensions/Ejections

1. The Executive Board will notify any "Ejected Person" within forty-eight (48) hours of offense to schedule meeting.
2. The Ejected Person cannot return to any team activities until meeting is concluded.
3. The Executive Board will meet to address the issue within five (5) days of offense to discuss and address additional suspension games if necessary.

Official Complaints

4. Upon receiving an official complaint, The Executive Board will research and respond to the complainant within 3 days.
5. If suspension is required, it shall be treated as an ejected person, and they shall not be at any PLL functions until suspension is complete.
6. The Executive board will make a final resolution within 5 days of being notified.

Field Maintenance (In Season Weekend Duty) **Clarifying

1. Each team will be responsible for cleaning around an assigned field one (1) weekend during the season.
 - a. This includes picking up all trash on and around the field; and
 - b. Blowing all the sunflower seeds and dirt out of the dugouts and out from underneath the bleachers.
2. Clean-up must be completed by 6 p.m. on the Sunday of the weekend you are assigned.
 - a. The clean-up can be completed on Monday prior to the first game of the night with approval from your Division Director.

PENALTY: The Manager will serve a one (1) game suspension if the assigned weekend duty was not performed.

NOTE: This is not the same as “Post Game” or “Work Day” activities.

Practice Limitations

1. Pre-season practice can begin on the day after a league’s draft (i.e. teams can practice on Sunday following a Saturday draft).
2. Majors and Minors may have unlimited team functions (i.e. practices, batting cage sessions, practice games, games, etc.) per week.
3. Pee Wee, Coach Pitch, and T-Ball
 - a. May have no more than **three (3) mandatory** and one (1) optional team function(s) (i.e. practices, batting cage sessions, practice games, games, etc.) per week.
 - b. No team function should exceed two (2) hours.
4. ITB
 - a. May have no more than three (3) team functions (i.e. practices, practice games, games, etc.) per week.
 - b. No team function should exceed one (1) hour.

Team Creation (Tryout, Draft, Player Placement, Replacement Player)

1. League age is as defined by Little League Baseball.
 - a. League age four (4) year old players must play in the ITB Division.
 - b. League age five (5) year old players will play in the T-Ball Division, unless they miss tryouts or declare for ITB.
 - c. League age six (6) year old players will play in the T-Ball Division and can try out for Coach Pitch.
 - d. League age seven (7) year old players must participate in Coach Pitch.
 - e. League age eight (8) year old players are eligible for the Pee Wee Division draft unless they declare for Coach Pitch. Players not selected into Pee Wee Division will play in Coach Pitch.
 - f. League age nine (9) year old players will play in the Pee Wee Division and can try out for the Minor Division.
 - g. League age ten (10) year old players will play in the Minor Division program and can try out for the Major Division. Players not selected into Major Division will play in the Minor Division.
 - h. League age eleven (11) year old players will play in the Minor Division and are eligible for the Major Draft unless they elect “Minor Preferred.” Players not selected into Major Division will play in the Minor Division.
 - i. League age eleven (11) and twelve (12) year old players may participate in the Major Division or the 50/70 Division.
 - j. League age thirteen (13) year old players may participate in the 50/70 or Junior Division.
 - k. League age fourteen (14) year old players must participate in the Junior/Senior Division.
 - l. ***Exception:** League age 7 may try out for Pee Wee if that played CP as a 6 year old.
 - m. ***Exception:** Players (ages 6, 8, 9, 10, and 11) may play up one (1) Division level as long as identified spots are available, they are chosen in the Draft and have attended tryouts in both their “play up” and “regular age” divisions (i.e. six (6) year old may be drafted into Coach Pitch

if they try out for both Coach Pitch and T-Ball, and there are available roster spots that do not take teams above their targeted player count). If player is playing up, they must be selected within the first five (5) rounds, not to include the manager or coaching option.

- Manager and coach options are not allowed for players who are playing up. This may be petitioned to the board or approved by the board if needed.

2. Roster Sizes

- a. Major Division teams must have eleven (11) players on their opening day roster and maintain an eleven (11)-player roster for the season.
- b. Minor, Pee Wee teams are intended to have no more than eleven (11) player rosters. – **Pending coach availability.**
- c. Coach Pitch, T-Ball and ITB teams are intended to have no more than twelve (12) player rosters.

3. Tryouts-Spring Season Only (No Tryouts for Fall Ball)

- a. All players must participate in at least one (1) available tryout to be eligible in their draft.
 - Four (4)-year olds will not try out.
 - Players who do not attend at least one (1) available tryout, without valid reason (i.e. injury, illness), must contact the PLL The Board prior to the PLL Draft, and discuss their reason for failing to attend a tryout. The PLL The Board will determine if the player will be placed into the draft or removed from eligibility for draft.

PENALTY – Any player determined by the PLL The Board to have “thrown” or falsified their tryout will be a “Hat Pick” in the Draft and will not be eligible for All Stars/Futures for that player's first eligible year.

Replacing Players

1. If a team loses a player through injury, illness, change of address, or any other reason, the Team Manager must notify both the Player Agent and Division Director within twenty-four (24) hours.
2. The Player Agent will attempt to fill the roster spot via the waitlisted players.
3. The Player Agent will then contact the player’s parents and get consent for the player to be added to the league.
4. The Player Agent will then inform the Manager of his new player, which completes the transfer, and the Manager may then contact the player and his parents. Players will be eligible to play immediately after joining the team.
5. Players will not be added to a team that has less than five (5) games remaining on its schedule. A Manager’s failure to notify the Player Agent and Division Director about the loss of a player within the seventy-two (72)-hour period will result in the Manager’s immediate suspension for two (2) games and possible further discipline as determined by the PLL Executive Board.
6. If a waitlisted player is not available, the replacement players will be used to fill in on a game-by-game basis. See “Replacement Player Rules.”
7. Before the player transfer is made official by the Player Agent, the Manager (or anyone affiliated with the team) may not, under any circumstance, contact a player or a player’s parents.
8. Anyone who circumvents this player transfer process will be deemed to have committed a serious violation of PLL rules. The Player Agent must refer all violations to the PLL The Board for appropriate action.

Waitlist

1. Players who register after Regular Registration, determined each year by the PLL The Board, will be placed on the “Waitlist,” and added to a roster on an as-needed basis.
 - a. No fees will be charged up front for any player who is placed on the waitlist.
 - b. A waitlisted player will be placed on a team in their appropriate division if there is a spot open for a player.
 - c. If a waitlisted player joins the team prior to the start of games, then the player will be responsible for paying all regular registration fees, including candy sales and raffle tickets.
 - d. All fees need to be paid in full prior to the player joining team practice or games.
 - e. If a waitlisted player joins the team after the start of games (due to the departure of one of the team’s original roster players) then the player will pay in accordance with PLL’s prorated fees rule (see Proration of Fees).
 - f. All fees must be paid in full prior to the player joining team practice or games.

Draft

1. All Divisions will have snake drafts. The last round of each draft in the Senior, Major, Minor, CP, and TB divisions which do not have enough players for each team will then be decided by draw where each team will select from a hat either a blank (no draft choice required – one can be made if so desired by trading a number with someone willing to do so who also draws a number), or must draft a player choice with a number until all players are drafted. All teams not having a player in the uncompleted round will then draw numbers from a hat for placement of any additional children (players). The Player Agent and President will be the only individuals to know the order in which additional children (players) are to be placed. If the eleventh (11th) round is the final round of the draft, then the order of picking shall be randomized.
2. **No Draft Requests:** Parents may request that their child not be drafted by a coach or manager.
 1. The League must receive each request before the last tryout date.
 2. **LATE REQUESTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
 3. **All No Draft Requests must be submitted directly to the Player Agent by the player’s guardian.**
 4. Each request must identify the Coach or Manager by name and must provide a specific reason or reasons for the request.
 5. All requests will be reviewed by the Player Agent, who will only honor good faith, reasonable, and legitimate requests.
 6. If such a request is honored, then the Manager or Coach will not be permitted to draft that player.
 7. The requests will remain confidential.
 8. If Manager or Coach of record has more than eight (5) non-coaching requests, his right to coach will be forfeited for the season. This can be brought to the Executive Board for appeal if Manager or Coach deems appropriate.
3. No trades are permitted after the draft process is complete.
 1. The draft process for a team is complete once the list of players drafted has been turned in by the Manager/Coach to the Player Agent, or acting Player Agent, and signed by both.
4. **Manager’s Option:** The manager’s sons, daughters, or grandchildren must be claimed as a “manager’s option” and may not be drafted by other teams.
 1. The manager must draft his son or daughter in the third (3rd) round and fifth (5th) round if you have multiple.
5. **Coach’s Option:** The coach’s son or daughter must be claimed as a “coach’s option” and may not be drafted by other teams.
 1. The coach’s son or daughter must be drafted in the fourth (4th) round.

2. To exercise a coach option during the draft, the coach's application must be in the hands of a PLL The Board by the night of the draft.
6. **Sibling Option:** Any team selecting a player who has a sibling eligible as an option, must select the other sibling with the next available consecutive draft choice.
 1. If neither sibling is drafted prior to the ninth (9th) round, one (1) sibling will become a hat pick to be selected at random during the Hat Pick round, with the sibling becoming their teammate during the last full round of the draft.
7. **Hat Picks:** Any player who does not try out will either be a ninth (9th) round "hat pick" or placed into the draft.
 1. The decision to place a player into the draft or leave him as a "hat pick" will be decided by the Player Agent in consultation with the Division Director.
 2. In making that decision, the Player Agent and Division Director will seek input, from each team, on the players who did not try out.
 3. If the Player Agent and Division Director determine that the player's skill level is significantly greater than a ninth (9th) round draft pick, then the player shall be placed into the draft.
 4. Prior to the draft, the Player Agent or Division Director shall explain the value/skill of the player to the Managers and Coaches.
 5. No trades of Hat Picks will be allowed.

Transportation Options: No transportation options will be honored or accepted, except for ITB.

Pro-Ration of Fees

Players accepted off the waitlist, after regular season games have already begun, will pay \$50 (which represents the league's approximate fixed costs for the Dad's Club assessment and uniforms) plus a prorated rate for the remainder of the games left on the team's schedule. For example, if our league fee is \$210, and a team scheduled for sixteen (16) games, then that amounts to \$50 fixed costs, plus \$10/game. Under that pricing, a waitlisted player who joins the league with ten (10) games remaining will pay \$150 (\$50 fixed cost, plus \$10/game for ten (10) games); a waitlisted player who joins the league with eight (8) games remaining will pay \$130 (\$50 fixed cost, plus \$10/game for eight (8) games), and a waitlisted player who joins the league with five (5) games remaining will pay \$100 (\$50 fixed cost, plus \$10/game for five (5) games), etc. PLL fixed costs and per game fees to be adjusted as required by the PLL The Board when determining registration fees each season.

PLL Ground Rules/Little League Approved Waivers

1. **A specific act of unsportsmanlike conduct under Regulation XIV occurs if:** during an at-bat when the pitcher is on the mound, a batter assumes a bunting position and, prior to the pitch, moves the barrel or handle of the bat in a way that, in the judgment of the umpire, is an attempt to visually distract or heckle a struggling pitcher (such as, but not limited to, a motion known as "wagging the bat"). The penalty for this act of unsportsmanlike behavior will be that the pitch is called a strike, regardless of location, and no runners may advance.
2. **As a local addendum to Little League Rule 6.06**, for all twelve (12)-year old and under divisions, a batter is out for illegal action when;
 - a. Slug Bunting (also known as 'Fake Bunt/Slash' or 'Slash Bunting'), which is defined as the act of showing bunt and then swinging at the pitch whether contact is made.
 - b. Also, base runners may not advance.
3. Protests of games are managed by Little League Rule 4.19.
 - a. The Manager and Umpire should notify the DOD about the protest.
 - b. The Umpire(s) must fill out the Protest Report.

NOTE: All formal protests must be decided within two (2) weeks.

4. If a Manager believes an Umpire's decision to be in violation of the playing rules before the next pitch is thrown;
 - a. The Manager must inform the Umpire that the game is being played under protest.
 - b. The Umpire will consult with the other Umpire(s) and/or the DOD to reverse or uphold the rules decision.
 - c. If the Umpire does not reverse the decision, the Umpire will announce the game is being played under protest and the current game situation will be logged in the official scorebook.
5. **Approved waiver of Little League Rule 5.07**, regarding the maximum number of runs allowed in a half-inning: In the T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Pee Wee, and Minor Divisions, a team may score a maximum of five (5) runs in an inning. The only exception to the five (5)-run rule occurs when an over the fence homerun causes more than five (5) runs to score (e.g., if a team has already scored four (4) runs and, with runners on base, a batter hits an over-the-fence homerun, then all runs count).
6. Division Run Rules
 - a. If the home team or visiting team is ahead by the following amounts after the completion of the listed inning the game will be considered official.
 - All divisions 10 runs ahead after 4 completed innings
 - T-ball thru Minors – the game will also be considered official if after the completion of 5 innings the Home or Visiting team cannot mathematically score enough runs to tie or win the game.
 - (1) If either team is up by nine (9) runs after the completion of the fifth inning the trailing team will concede the game. This is done to keep games on schedule.
7. **Approved waiver of Little League Rule 3.04** regarding "Courtesy Runner": With two (2) outs, all teams can insert a courtesy runner for the pitcher or catcher of record. This is encouraged to aid in speeding up play but is not required. The courtesy runner must be the player who made the last recorded out.

NOTE: Rule does not apply to T-Ball or to the pitcher in the Coach Pitch Division.

8. Pitchers, who are getting ready to enter a game, must warm-up in the on-field bullpens.
9. **Little League Rule 4.04 - "Continuous Batting Order" is Adopted for All Divisions at PLL**
 - a. Any player who the Manager declares as ineligible for the game due to illness, injury, or disciplinary reasons may not enter the current game unless the game becomes suspended and is resumed later per Rule 4.01(d).
 - b. A player arriving late to a game may not enter the game once their team's leadoff batter has completed their second plate appearance. If the game is suspended, the player arriving late to the original scheduled game may enter the game per Rule 4.01(d).
10. **Substitution Rule – Rule 3.03 Note (1) Approved Waiver**
 - a. A substitute may be removed from the game prior to completion of his/her mandatory play requirements, so long as mandatory play is reached before the game's completion.
 - b. As a supplement to the rule waiver for defensive substitutions under the Continuous Batting order: mandatory play for players on teams in the ITB division through Minor division must be completed by the end of the fourth (4th) inning.
11. **Little League Regulation VI – Pitchers**
 - a. To improve communication, the scoreboards at PLL display the current pitch count for both

teams. However, the responsibility to follow the pitching rules rests solely on the Manager.

- b. Any player that has played the position of catcher in any part of four (4) or more innings in a game, is not eligible to pitch on that calendar day.
 - If it is determined by The Board that a team used an ineligible pitcher, then the Offending Team Manager will be suspended the next two (2) games.
- c. A team's use of an ineligible pitcher can be protested at any time.
- d. In addition, Managers will be subject to discipline by the PLL Executive Board whether the violation was protested or discovered later.

12. Pitcher to Catcher or Vice Versa- Regulation VI***REVISED from Little League

- a. Any player that reaches the forty (40)-pitch threshold while facing a batter may continue to pitch and maintain their eligibility to play catcher. Details see the green book.
- b. A player who has caught three (3) innings and moves to pitcher can return to catcher if they stay under the twenty (20)-pitch threshold. Details see the green book.

13. Little League Rule 1.10 – Legal Bat Specifications/Reference Green Book for New Bat Rule

- a. Managers are responsible for ensuring their teams are properly equipped prior to games under Little League Rule 3.01(a).
- b. https://usabat.com/?utm_source=PC%20-%20December&utm_medium=bat%20list%20link&utm_campaign=PC%20-%20December

PENALTY: Two (2) game suspension for the Manager for violating rule 12a.

14. Little League New Rules

- a. One Foot in Batter's Box
 - PLL will warn each batter of the first offense and award a "strike" for each offense after (the pitch will count toward the pitch count).

15. Little League Rule 1.01 – Number of players to start and finish a game

- a. A game may not be started with less than eight (8) players on each team.
- b. If a game is started with eight (8) players, the ninth (9th) position in the batting line-up will be called an out every time it comes up in the line-up.
 - This does not apply if the game is started with nine (9) players and a team loses a player to injury. In that case the spot in the line-up is skipped.

16. Regulation V(c) – Single Game replacement players

- a. The Player agent will create and run a pool of players that can be assigned to teams that are short of players on a rotating basis.
- b. Managers and coaches will not have the right to randomly pick and choose players from the pool within their respective division
- c. When a player participates in a game on a team other than his/her own team, such player cannot play certain positions.
 - T-ball and Coach pitch – the replacement cannot play pitcher or 1st base.
 - Peewee through Majors - the player cannot play pitcher or catcher.
 - Replacement player should bat last.
- d. The player pool will be slightly expanded as follows
 - 9 year olds in Pee Wee can be a replacement player in the Minor Division
 - 11 year olds in Minors can be a replacement player in the Major division
 - Replacement players from within the division will be prioritized over outside the division.

Game Time Limits: Regulation VII and X

All Divisions: Teams must be ready to start every game at the scheduled start time.

	ITB	T-Ball	Coach Pitch	PW	Major / Minors	50/70, Jr/Sr
Before-Game	If possible, 5-10 minutes prior to start of game					
Clock Starts	Upon Umpire starting the clock					
Limit (NO NEW INNING)	45 min	1 hr. 15 min. or 9 p.m.	1 hr. 30 min. or 10:00 p.m.	1 hr. 45 min. or 10 p.m.	1 hr. 45 min. or 10 p.m.	
Wee Night Start (Early game)	6:00 p.m. (If Umpire is late, the game will start upon their arrival)					
Weeknight End/Suspension (Early Game)	N/A	7:35 p.m.	7:45 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.	
Weeknight Start (Late Game)	N/A	7:30 p.m.+	8:00 p.m.+			
Nightly End/Suspension (Curfew)	N/A	9:00 p.m. **CORRECTED FROM 9:30 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	10:30 p.m.	
Weekend Game Suspension	min (game complete)	1 hr. 30 min.*	2 hr.*			
½ Inning Start	Within 2 min. (stipulation in green book 8.03) ***					

+Or ten (10) minutes after the conclusion of the previous game, whichever is later. Games may start earlier if both teams and the Umpire are present/ready to go.

*The last game on a weekend will be allowed to continue play until the designated curfew time.

**The weeknight late game can begin early but cannot start later than 8:30 p.m.

***Umpire regulates ½ inning start. Should the offense team cause the game delay, the Umpire can use judgement and begin calling strikes every thirty (30) seconds, until the batter is in the box. Should the defense team cause the game delay, the Umpire can use judgement and begin calling balls every thirty (30) seconds.

****Coaches meeting starts ten (10) minutes prior to start time.

*****Continuation Rule: If an inning is started it MUST BE COMPLETED at the discretion of the DOD.

– If the two (2) hour drop dead prevents this, the game will be rescheduled per PLL Scheduling Policy and **NOTE:** If time expires before an official game is completed, then the game must be resumed later,

determined by the scheduler. Games may start earlier, if both teams and the umpire is ready.

1. All games MUST meet Little League's four (4)-inning requirement (see: Game Time Limits). If time expires before an official game is completed, then that game has not reached official status, which is defined as at least 3½ innings if the home team is ahead, or four (4) innings if the visiting team is ahead.
2. If a game is interrupted by weather after it has reached official status, then the game will not be resumed (even if there was time on the clock), and the final score will revert to the score at the last completed inning.
3. Games with time remaining that are suspended due to weather prior to the completion of four (4) innings shall be resumed where time was left off and in the situation at hand.
 - a. If less than one (1) inning is played before suspended, the game will be replayed in its entirety.
4. In Kid Pitch divisions, a pitcher that started the game and was replaced prior to the game's stoppage is not eligible to pitch in the continuation of the game.
 - a. The pitcher of record at the time of stoppage is eligible to pitch at the time the game is rescheduled if he meets LL days of rest requirements prior to that game being played.
5. Games can end in a tie.
 - a. Extra innings can be played if there is time remaining on the clock (N/A to T-Ball).
 - b. There is no limit to the number of innings that can be played while time remains on the clock.
 - c. A tie baseball game will count as one-half (½) game won and one-half (½) game lost.

Special Rules for Instructional T-Ball (ITB) Division

1. There will be no strikeouts.
2. Game score is not to be kept on the scoreboard.
3. Only the clock may be used during a game to keep game time.
4. When a ball is hit into the infield, it will be considered a fair ball only if it travels beyond the bunting circle.
 - a. Balls that come to a stop within the ten (10)-foot bunting circle will be considered foul balls.
5. Up to twelve (12) players can be on the field with no more than six (6) infielders (i.e. the traditional infield positions, including the catcher).
 - a. All infielders must stay on the infield dirt until the batter has hit the ball.
 - b. One (1) "rover" position can be utilized immediately behind second base.
 - c. All outfielders must stay on the outfield grass until the ball is hit.
 - d. On fields with an entire dirt infield, the infielders must not cross the line of the bases until the batter has hit the ball.
6. No catcher.
7. Both teams should bat through the line-up, if 3 outs are earned, batting team should clear the bases and continue through line up until complete. Once the team has batted through the line-up, the half inning is complete.
8. No batter will advance any further than first base on a hit ball to the infield, a ball hit to the outfield the runner may advance no further than second base.
9. Player must be removed from the bag if called out.
10. Game Time Limits
 - a. Drop dead for the game will be at fifty-five (55) minutes, the batter at the plate at this time will

- finish they're at bat.
- b. If there is more than fifteen (15) minutes before the next official game time, the inning should be completed.
 - c. Any subsequent game will start at the later of the scheduled game time, or ten (10) minutes after the completion of the previous game.

Special Rules for T-Ball Division

1. The batter is allowed a total of three (3) swings. The batter is out if the third (3rd) swing is a foul ball.
 - a. "Measuring up" does not constitute a swing, even if the ball is knocked off the tee.
2. When a ball is hit into the infield, it will be considered a fair ball only if it travels beyond the bunting circle.
 - a. Balls that come to a stop within the ten (10)-foot bunting circle will be considered foul balls.
3. All infielders must stay on the infield dirt until the batter has hit the ball.
4. All outfielders must stay in the outfield grass until the ball is hit.
 - a. On fields with an entire dirt infield, the infielders must not cross the line of the bases until the batter has hit the ball.
 - b. The pitcher must have both feet touching the pitching rubber (46 ft) until the ball is hit.

Penalty: If a violation of this rule occurs, the manager on offense can; (1) Accept the play As-Is or (2) Request a replay (*In the event of a replay, the prior pitch will not count and runners will return to their prior bases*).

5. The catcher must wear a chest protector and a mask/helmet with a throat guard.
6. The catcher must stand in the catcher's circle on the first base side when a right-handed batter is hitting, and in the catcher's circle on the third base side when a left-handed batter is hitting.
7. Bunting is NOT allowed. An intentional bunt is an automatic out. The batter must take a full swing and follow through.
 - a. Judgment of a full swing will be the Umpire's decision.
 - b. Tapping the ball is not considered a swing and is not a foul.
8. The tenth (10th) player on a team's defense must be utilized as a fourth (4th) outfielder.
9. The Umpire will call "time" when a defensive player has control of the ball and has stopped the progress of the lead runner, or when no other play is being made. When the Umpire calls "time";
 - a. Any runner who has not completely passed the halfway mark must return to the previous base.
 - b. Any runner who has completely passed the halfway mark will be awarded the next base.
10. **Overthrow Rule:** The runner(s) will be permitted to advance at their own risk on the first overthrow, from the outfield or infield, but not more than one (1) additional base. A second overthrow is irrelevant and does not allow for further additional bases. If a runner is tagged out while advancing in any way, then they are out. An overthrow is defined as a ball that goes past the fielder at any base the thrower intends to throw, regardless of a misplay by the baseman or the thrower. The next base is set when the throw is made, based on where the runners are going at that time. If a runner goes past the furthest base allowed and is not tagged out, they will be allowed to return to the furthest base they achieved legally.
 - a. Example 1: If the short stop overthrows the first baseman, the batter can advance to second at his own risk.
 - b. Example 2: If more than one (1) runner is on base, the batter and the other runners can at most advance to the base they are in progress of going to and the one after.

- c. Example 3: If a runner is not advancing at the time of an overthrow, at most they can gain the next base at their own risk.
- 11. **Run Rule:** Ten (10) runs after four (4) complete innings, The team behind must concede the game.
- 12. A team may start an inning with any defensive alignment of their choice.
 - a. Teams are allowed to move players only once per game during an inning.
 - b. The team must call time and notify the scorekeeper when a move occurs during an inning.
 - c. The Scorekeeper will annotate the book accordingly.
 - d. If a substitution must be made for issues such as injury, attendance, etc., then the Manager may adjust the defensive alignment while making that substitution.
- 13. Must use specific ball.
- 14. ~~Unless the player is making an unassisted play at his/her own base (home for the pitcher, second base for the shortstop), the ball must be thrown to another player for a force out.~~
 - a. ~~If the ball is not thrown to the base as described above, the runner will be declared safe.~~ REMOVED MID SEASON, WAS NOT APPROVED BY LITTLE LEAGUE.

Special Rules for Coach Pitch Division

1. The Coach-Pitcher must be an approved volunteer and will throw from a forty (40)-foot line in an overhand motion from a standing position or on one (1) knee.
2. While on offensive half-innings, the individual occupying the coach-pitcher position may not communicate after an at bat has begun, signified by a pitch being thrown. Communication can start again after the at bat is complete, signified by the play being called dead or a new batter coming to bat.

NOTE: Communication includes non-verbal cues (i.e. hand signals).

Penalty: The first violation of this rule will be a warning. The second violation will result in the coach-pitcher's removal from the game. Four (4) coaches are allowed in the dugout for Coach Pitch games.

3. A Coach-Pitcher must be designated before the game starts.
 - a. Coach-Pitchers may be substituted at any time during a game with the notification and approval of the Umpire.
 - b. Any Coach-Pitcher of record who is relieved is ineligible to return to the position for the remainder of the game.
4. The Coach-Pitcher must give all fielders the opportunity to play the ball by making every effort to stay out of their way.
 - a. If a batted ball hits the Coach-Pitcher before being touched by a defensive player, the ball is dead, it is consider a no pitch, and the batter resumes the at-bat.
5. If the Coach-Pitcher (in the Umpire's judgment) intentionally touches a legally batted ball or interferes with any defensive play (including blocking the view of any defensive player), then interference will be called, and the batter will be out. The Umpire will return all other runners to the last base that was legally touched at the time of interference.
6. Catcher must use a catchers mitt, this is also required in district play.
7. Catcher must throwback to the pitcher.

Penalty: The first violation of this rule will be a warning. The second violation will result in an ejection of the Coach-Pitcher.

8. Three (3) swinging strikes or five (5) pitches will constitute an out.

- a. A batter will continue to receive pitches when fouling off the third (3rd) strike or final pitch.
- 9. There is no infield fly rule.
- 10. The player fielding the pitcher's position will take his or her position inside the ten (10)-foot pitching circle.
 - a. He/She can be to the left, or the right of the Coach Pitcher but no closer than the forty (40)-foot pitching line.
 - b. The Player-Pitcher will remain with one (1) foot in the pitcher's circle until the ball has been hit or received by the Catcher.

Penalty: If the Player-Pitcher violates this rule, the Manager on offense can: (1) Accept the play As-Is or (2) Request a replay (*In the event of a replay, the prior pitch will not count and runners will return to their prior bases*).

- 11. The Umpire will call "time" when a defensive player has control of the ball and has stopped the progress of the lead runner. When the Umpire calls "time";
 - a. Any runner who has not completely passed the halfway mark must return to the previous base.
 - b. Any runner who has completely passed the halfway mark will be awarded the next base.
- 12. There are no walks. A batter shall not become a base runner unless he or she hits the ball into fair territory, or the Umpire calls catcher's interference.
 - a. If a pitched ball hits a batter, the ball is dead, the pitch will count, and the batter will finish his or her turn at bat.
- 13. No stealing is allowed.
- 14. Home Plate Umpire can retrieve passed ball to speed up the game.
- 15. **Overthrow Rule:** The runner(s) will be permitted to advance at their own risk on the first overthrow, from the outfield or infield, but not more than one (1) additional base. A second overthrow is irrelevant and does not allow for further additional bases. If a runner is tagged out while advancing in any way, then they are out. An overthrow is defined as a ball that goes past the fielder at any base the thrower intends to throw, regardless of a misplay by the baseman or the thrower. The next base is set when the throw is made, based on where the runners are going at that time. If a runner goes past the furthest base allowed and is not tagged out, they will be allowed to return to the furthest base they achieved legally. The overthrow rule is only in effect the first half of the season. The date will be announced to all the managers, coaches and umpires a week prior.
 - a. Example 1: If the Short Stop overthrows the First Baseman, the Batter can advance to second at his own risk.
 - b. Example 2: If more than one (1) runner is on base, the Batter and the other runners can at most advance to the base they are in progress of going to and the one after.
 - c. Example 3: If a runner is not advancing at the time of an overthrow, at most they can gain the next base at their own risk.
- 16. **No bunting:** This is a Umpire judgment call. If a violation of this rule occurs, the ball/play will be declared dead; (1) The batter will be called back to the plate, (2) The pitch will count, and (3) No runners will advance.
- 17. All infielders must stay on the infield dirt until the batter has hit the ball.
- 18. All outfielders must stay in the outfield grass until the ball is hit.
 - a. On fields with an entire dirt infield, the infielders must not cross the line of the bases until the batter has hit the ball.

Penalty: If a violation of this rule occurs, the Manager on offense can: (1) Accept the play As-Is or (2)

Request a replay (*In the event of a replay, the prior pitch will not count and runners will return to their prior bases*).

19. The defense is allowed ten (10) position players per inning (four (4) outfielders only).

20. **Run Rule:** Ten (10) runs after four (4) complete innings. The team behind must concede the game.

21. **Final Pitch (5th pitch):** Any player who does not swing at or attempt to hit the fifth (5th) / final pitch AND is “hit” with the fifth (5th) / final pitch will get another pitch / bat attempt.

League Winners and Tie Breakers

1. The Champion of the East and West Leagues in each division will be the team with the best winning percentage at the end of the season schedule. All games played will be factored into the decision.

2. Tie Breakers will be determined as follows:

a. Head to head vs. all teams in the tie.

b. Record against in-division opponents.

c. Strength of victory.

- A team’s strength of victory is the total games won by each opponent that a team has beaten.

- Each win by the opponent counts as one game and each tie by the opponent counts as one-half game.

- If a team has beaten the same opponent twice, then that opponent’s win total is counted twice.

- For example: If Team A and Team B finished tied with a 12-2 record and the twelve opponents beaten by Team A won 84 games and the twelve opponents beaten by Team B won 82 games, then Team A has a better strength of victory.

d. One Game Playoff to settle division winner.

****Game to be set by League Scheduler per League Policy****

e. Coin flip – If agreed between the two teams.

- Coin flips will eliminate only one (1) team from a tie, at which point the tiebreakers will be applied again with the remaining teams.

- Can be used in lieu of 2d above.

- Must be agreed by both Managers/Coaches.

NOTE 1: In the case of ties with more than two (2) teams, once a team is eliminated from the tie, start back over at the top of the tiebreakers with the remaining teams; if multiple teams are eliminated at the same step, they are all eliminated. For example: If four (4) teams are tied and the strength of victory tiebreaker is to be applied and the teams have strength of victory scores of 50, 50, 48, and 47, the teams with 48 and 47 are eliminated and the two teams with 50 scores go back to head to head.

NOTE 2: In the event of an unbalanced schedule, only record in division will count towards final division standings.

Futures Games and Player Selection

Futures Games Selection Process (6-, 7-, and 8-year olds)

1. Futures selection is voted on in the same format as the All-Star process, see below for details.

2. Futures games are at the discretion of the PLL The Board.

a. All six (6)-year old’s will be eligible for a T-Ball Futures game.

b. All seven (7)-year old’s will be eligible for a Coach Pitch Futures game.

c. Coach Pitch eight (8)-year old’s will be eligible for a Futures game.

- If there are enough eight (8)-year old's in the coach pitch division to form both an National and American team then they will play a Coach Pitch game against each other.
- d. All futures teams will be provided with a jersey and hat.

All-Stars Games and Player Selection

PLL All-Star Selection Process

The All-Star Selection Committee shall consist of: (1) The Little League President, (2) The Little League Vice-President, (3) The Senior Little League Vice-President; and (4) The Player Agent.

Eligibility Clause:

To be eligible for consideration for the 12-year-old All-Star teams, the player must be completing his second consecutive PLL spring season, unless the player did not live in the PLL boundary during the prior spring season, or the player can prove an injury prevented his participation during the prior spring season. Parents may petition to the board to be considered; this must be voted on by the entire board.

Managers and/or Coaches with a child registered in PLL, who choose to leave the league for one (1) or more seasons, will be ineligible to manage or coach a PLL All Star team upon returning to the league until they reach their second consecutive spring season.

Step 1: Player Selection

NOTE: Parents/Players must realize the time commitment for the All-Star season, and that any absence after the first day of practice will be cause for replacement, at the discretion of the All-Star Manager.

1. The Manager and Coach of record for each team in each League (i.e. American League or National League) will meet in a separate meeting called by the Player Agent with at least seven (7) days prior notice.
 - a. If possible, the meeting should occur after first place has been decided.
 - b. At this meeting, the Managers and Coaches of record will be given a list of players who are eligible for All-Star consideration.
3. Before voting, the Managers and Coaches should openly discuss the eligible players so that everyone has input on the players being considered for the All-Star team. The discussion should help the Managers/Coaches rank the players and provide guidance for the All-Star Manager.
 - a. Any information divulged during this meeting shall remain confidential and must not be discussed outside the selection meeting.
4. After the discussion, each Manager and Coach shall individually complete a ballot that rank-orders the eligible players.
5. Each ballot must rank-order a minimum of twenty (20) eligible players. Ballots will be submitted to ONLY the manager for consideration, it must be completed and sent back to the Player Agent by noon the following day.
 - a. Ballots with less twenty (20) eligible players will be invalid and not used. **Green book says twenty (20) is mandatory for coaches to vote on.**
 - b. The players should be ranked based on their abilities with the best player being ranked number 1 and thereby receiving twenty (20) points (see below).

c. Players highest and lowest score will be dropped off the ballot.

1 = 20 points	11 = 10 points
2 = 19 points	12 = 9 points
3 = 18 points	13 = 8 points
4 = 17 points	14 = 7 points
5 = 16 points	15 = 6 points
6 = 15 points	16 = 5 points
7 = 14 points	17 = 4 points
8 = 13 points	18 = 3 points
9 = 12 points	19 = 2 points
10 = 11 points	20 = 1 point

Step 2: Tabulating Results

After the Managers and Coaches have submitted their All-Star ballots, the Selection Committee (Little League President, Little League Vice-President, Senior Little League Vice-President, Senior Player Agent, and Player Agent) will tabulate the ballots and create a rank-ordered list, with the point totals, of the top twenty (2) players, including ties. To be considered official and complete, at least two (2) members of the Selection Committee must be present during the vote tabulation. The rank-ordered list, with points total, will be given to the All-Star Manager as soon as that manager is approved by the PLL Board.

Step 3: All-Star Manager Selection

The All-Star Manager will be selected by a vote of the PLL The Board in a special meeting called for that purpose. The All-Star Manager will be selected from the eligible managers in their respective divisions. All managers wanting to be considered will need to fill out an application.

The Board must select the Manager that finishes first, unless that Manager declines consideration, or is ruled ineligible because of poor standing within PLL; including, but not limited to: unmet financial obligations, recurring, poor displays of sportsmanship, etc. If the First-Place Manager declines consideration or is ruled ineligible, then The Board must select the Second-Place Manager as the All-Star Manager unless that Manager declines consideration, or is ruled ineligible because of poor standing within PLL; including but not limited to: unmet financial obligations, recurring, poor displays of sportsmanship, etc.

If both the First and Second Place Manager decline consideration or are ruled ineligible, then The Board must select the Third-Place Manager as the All-Star Manager. The Board will continue this selection process in sequential order of finish (i.e. Fourth Place Manager, then Fifth Place Manager, etc.), until an All-Star Manager is selected. If all Managers decline consideration or are ruled ineligible, The Board will select a suitable candidate to manage the All-Star team. All Managers who are ruled ineligible will be given opportunity to appear before The Board and state their case regarding possible selection as All-Star Manager.

Once approved, the All-Star Manager may select up to two (2) eligible coaches of record that must also be in good standing with PLL to assist as All-Star Coaches. These Coaches must be regular season Manager or Coaches of record. A Manager or Coach of record is a volunteer brought before The Board no later than April 15th as provided for in the Tournament Section of the Little League Baseball Rules and Regulations.

The eleven- (11) and twelve (12)-year old All-Star Managers will be chosen from the Major Division; the ten (10)-year old All-Star Manager will be chosen from the Minor Division, and the nine (9)-year old All-Star Manager will be chosen from the Pee Wee Division.

Step 4: Final All-Star Team Selection

As soon as the All-Star Manager is approved by The Board, the Manager will be given the final list of the All-Star voting, noted in Step 2. The list will rank-order the top twenty (20) players, including ties, and include the point totals. The Manager may only share this list with approved All-Star Coaches. The Manager must select the All-Star Team from this list. The Manager may, however, select one “Wild Card” player, who will be an asset to the team, but who was not on the list. Before selecting a “Wild Card” player, the Manager must meet with the Selection Committee to justify the “Wild Card” selection. Each All-Star Team must maintain a minimum roster size of twelve (12) players. If a player is unable to play for an extended period (i.e. due to injury, such as broken arm, leg, etc.), and the team falls below the minimum roster size, then the All-Star Manager must immediately add a player to the roster. The additional player must be a player who was on the list of twenty players, originally presented to the All-Star Manager.

The All-Star teams will be announced at the earliest date provided by Little League Rules. All results and details regarding the All-Star Selection Process must remain confidential.

Special Rules for Fall Ball Season

Game Play-Regular Fall Season

1. All Regular Spring Season rules apply unless specified below.
2. Scores will be kept during games, but standings will not be recorded.

Game Time Limits

First the Game Start Times

T-Ball	6:00 p.m. / 7:30 p.m.
Coach Pitch	6:00 p.m. / 7:45 p.m.
Minor and Major	6:00 p.m. / 8:00 p.m.
Junior/Sr	7:00 p.m.

Time Limits for No New Inning to Start

T-Ball	1:15 p.m.
Coach Pitch	1:30 p.m.

Minor/Major/Jr/Sr 1:45 p.m.

The time limit above is not the drop-dead time. No new innings can start at these time limits, and the drop-dead time is ten (10) minutes later.

Drop Dead Times

T-Ball 1:25 p.m.

Coach Pitch 1:40 p.m.

Minor/Major/Jr/Sr 1:55 p.m.

At the drop dead finish the batter that is currently at the plate and then call the game.

Game Play-Fall Tournament

1. All Regular Season rules apply unless specified below.
2. This is a single elimination tournament meaning each team will have to lose twice to be eliminated.
3. Brackets will be determined by a blind draw.
4. Home Team is decided by a coin toss for all divisions.
5. Time will be the same as Fall Season.
6. If time has expired or the maximum innings for a complete game have been reached and a tie score results, the international tiebreaker will be used for all games. No game shall end in a tie.
7. Awards will be provided for the first (1st) and second (2nd) place in each age group.