



Peninsula Little League 2026 Minors Division Amended Rules

1. All Official Little League Regulations and Minor League Division Playing Rules apply except as modified below.
2. Rules for managers:
 - a. During the game only the manager and two coaches are allowed in the dugout.
 - b. A coach or manager must be in the dugout at all times during a game.
 - c. All managers and coaches must wear close-toed shoes on fields at all times.
 - d. Only the manager shall be allowed to discuss the game with the umpire and only when time has been called and when permission to approach has been granted.
 - e. **Arguing judgment calls sets a bad example and will not be tolerated by the umpire or Peninsula Little League.**
3. Food and snacks are not allowed in the dugout.
4. No inning shall start after 2 hours of play has elapsed. An inning is deemed to have started immediately on the final out of the previous inning.
5. A 5-run rule will apply to innings 1 through 5. Unlimited runs may be scored for the remainder of the game. If the game does not reach the 6th inning due to a time limitation, there will be no unlimited run inning.
6. There is no on deck circle in Minors. Batters must remain in the dugout without a bat until the home plate umpire (or manager) calls them to the plate. They may take a few warm up swings on their way to the batter's box.
7. Games will not result in a forfeit in the event a team arrives with 8 players or less. During the regular season, when the team that is missing players takes the defensive half of the inning, they will borrow the batting team's player that was the last out from the previous inning. This player will take position in left or right field. During the tournament, no players will be borrowed and teams will play with the number of players in attendance.
8. The Minors Division uses the Little League 10 and 15-run rules in Rule 4.11(e) during the end of season tournament and during all games used to seed the tournament. The run rules are not used during exhibition games.
9. The end of season tournament will be governed by our regular season amended rules, except the 2-hour time limit will not apply.
 - a. Teams will be placed in the tournament bracket based on their records from the last (n-1) games of the season where n is the number of teams in the division.
 - b. The Little League inning run rules (mercy rules) will apply during the tournament.
 - c. For all games in the "winner's bracket," the team with the higher seed will have their choice of home/away.
 - d. For all games in the loser's bracket, home/away will be determined by a coin flip.
 - e. The winner's bracket team will have their choice of home/away for the championship game.
 - f. If a second championship game is needed, the winner of the first championship game will have their choice of home/away.



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Batting Order, Substitutions and Playing Time:

10. A continuous batting order is used for the Minors division.
11. Free substitutions are used and as a result the manager may and should rotate players defensively every inning.
12. All players are required to play a minimum of three defensive innings per game.
13. All players shall play at least two defensive innings in the infield per game, with the following exceptions:
 - a. Injury to a player.
 - b. Absence or late arrival of a player.
 - c. Violation of the Peninsula Little League Code of Conduct rules.
14. Players shall rotate positions. Players who begin a game as reserves must be starters the following game.

Pitching and Catching:

15. League Age 9-11-year-old pitchers shall have a pitch count of 65 pitches for the first 6 games of the season and 75 pitches per game after that. League Age 8-year-old pitchers will always have a 50 pitch count limit. If the pitch count limit is reached during a batter's at bat, the pitcher is allowed to finish pitching to that batter before they are removed from the mound.
16. Managers must use at least three pitchers per game for the first five games of the season. Managers can use pitchers as needed for the rest of the season and the tournament.
17. Calendar rest days rest requirements and pitching/catching rules must also be followed per the Little League Rule Book.
18. Rule 8.05 (a) (addressing balks) will not be enforced.
19. Violation of Pitching and Catching rules shall result the suspension of the manager and disciplinary action as stipulated in regulation IV (i).