



Resumption and COVID Guidelines

In an effort to resume Little League Baseball activities we have developed a series of additional measures to further safeguard our HVLL community. Attendance at HVLL fields means you knowingly and freely assume all risks, known and unknown, as well as take full responsibility for your player(s) and family's participation in Little League Baseball at HVLL. As always, returning to practices and games, when approved at the state, county and city levels, is completely voluntary.

General Requirements

- **MONITOR** temperature prior to attending any Little League events. No one with a fever, cough, active COVID-19 infection or known direct contact with an individual testing positive for COVID-19 should attend a game/practice until evaluated by a medical provider and given clearance to do so. Temperature checks will also be done upon arrival to HVLL fields.
- **MAINTAIN** social distancing of 6 feet from individuals not residing in their household.
- **WEAR** face coverings while on HVLL property.
- **LIMIT** attendance at practices to managers, coaches, and players. For Minor C thru Majors divisions, parents should drop off and pick up only.
- **VACATE** the field/facility as soon as possible after the conclusion of game and/or practice.
- **CLEAN and SANITIZE** hands and equipment on a regular basis.
- **COMMUNICATE** with the safety officer immediately if a coach, parent or participant has symptoms of, or tests positive for, COVID-19. Confidentiality will be maintained; however, the coach and league must notify the team and any other known person that could have interacted with the person on our facilities that they could have been exposed to COVID-19. The individual should remain at home, in quarantine, for 10 days. The team should quarantine, as appropriate, and should not practice together for at least 7 days.

Facilities Overview

- Signage will be placed throughout the facilities regarding wearing masks and social distancing.
- Hand-sanitizer will be made available at various locations throughout the facilities.
- Bleachers are available for use by players ONLY. As such, spectators should plan accordingly by bringing their own seating or portable chairs.
- Sunflower seeds and/or gum are not allowed.
- Restroom occupancy should be reduced to one person (or household) at a time. Sanitation should take place on a daily basis during the week, and at a minimum two times each day during weekend activities.

Field Practice/Game Guidelines

FACE COVERINGS

- Managers, coaches, and umpires should wear face coverings when social distancing requirements cannot be met.
- Players are not required to wear a face covering while on defense, at the plate, or on the bases, but should be worn when not actively participating on the field.

SOCIAL DISTANCING/CONTACT

- Bleachers will be closed to everyone except players and used to allow players to stay spread out and social distance.
- Physical contact outside the course of the game is prohibited (hi-fives, etc.).
- Equipment-sharing should be avoided. Players are to maintain their own batter's helmet, glove, bat and catcher's equipment and keep it stored in their own bag except at which times it is being used during the activity.
- Baseballs – Each team will use their own baseballs when on defense. Balls to be sterilized during practice and play.
- Player/families/spectators are instructed not to show up to fields more than 40 minutes before game time.
- On field warm-up should be limited and no more than 30 minutes.
- It is recommended that umpires call balls and strikes behind the pitcher's mound. Umpires are also encouraged to use their own personal equipment.
- Only one person, the scorekeeper, is allowed in the score booth during the game. No exceptions. Scorekeeper must sanitize score booth after each use and are encouraged to bring their own equipment and/or writing utensils.

Special Parameters

- We will continue to monitor state and local guidelines as to which activities are permitted based on Orange County's status.

HVLL reserves the right to change or adjust requirements to conform to future city and state guidelines as conditions change.

Approved by the HVLL Board of Directors January 2021.