

# TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS PARTICIPATION RULES

1. Each chartered Little League within California District 51 will be allowed to enter a MAXIMUM of TWO (2) TEAMS in each **CHARTERED** division of Baseball and Softball, subject to the following conditions:
  - A. The League **MUST** have a current year **APPROVED** Safety Plan on file with Little League Headquarters. Plan must be approved **NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2024.**

**NO APPROVED PLAN = NO ENTRY ALLOWED**

  - B. The League **MUST** have all fees **PAID IN FULL.**
  - C. League's using **PAID UMPIRES** are not allowed to **HOST ANY T.O.C.** games.
  - D. **INCREASES** in the number of teams **WILL NOT BE ALLOWED** 96 hours (4 days) prior to the scheduled start date of the tournament.
  - E. **TOC entry form (see attachment) MUST be filled out and turned in to DA/DIO no later than 96 hours prior to start of tournament.**
  - F. **Team entered must have played a minimum of eight (8) regular season games in the division of play they wish to participate in.**
  - G. **A team may only participate in ONE DIVISION of play for the T.O.C.**
2. Each League is responsible for determining which **REGULAR SEASON** team(s) will participate in the Tournament Of Champions (T.O.C.). It is recommended, but not required, that these teams be the first and second place teams in the League for that division of play. Once the District Administrator/**District Information Officer** is informed of the names of the two teams by the League President, their seeding **WILL NOT** be changed on the schedule. **NOTE:** Another team may be substituted for a team that has withdrawn, but the substitute will fill the spot previously occupied by the team that withdrew.
3. An entry fee of \$25.00 per division entered will be charged and **MUST** be paid **PRIOR** to the start of the tournament. The revenue from the T.O.C. will be utilized to assist in the operation of any District Operated Baseball or Softball program(s) (first aid kits, bases, catchers equipment, helmets, etc.), fee **MAY** be refunded if the League President notifies the District Administrator/**District Information Officer** that they no longer have an entry in that Division. ***Notice must be given at least 96 hours (4 days) prior to the scheduled start date of the tournament.***
4. At the end of the season, 50% of the funds remaining in the T.O.C. fund for that year will be deposited into the District 51 Umpire's account. This money will be used to provide for training materials for District 51 umpires, travel costs for training sessions, mementos for visiting umpires (umpires from other Districts providing support for Section and above All-Star Tournaments), etc.
5. Once withdrawn, team(s) **MAY NOT** re-enter the T.O.C.
6. **No pool players.**
7. **No replacement players.** The team(s) that earned the right to participate is/are the team(s) that will play. A minimum of eight (8) players are required to start, play and finish the game. If playing with eight (8) players, the 9<sup>th</sup> spot in the batting order will be recorded as an out whenever it is their turn at bat. If an eligible player arrives during the game, they can be added to the 9<sup>th</sup> spot in the batting order.
8. **TEAMS MAY NOT CHANGE PLACES** (i.e., League #1 seeded team **WILL** play as the #1 seed in T.O.C.). Violation **WILL** result in disqualification of **LEAGUE** (and forfeiture of entry fee) from that Division of the T.O.C. **Team playing as the #1 seed and/or #2 seed MUST be reported by the League President and once reported CANNOT be changed.**

- 9 To host a specific tournament the League must have a team(s) in that tournament (i.e., to host Senior Baseball your League must have a Senior Baseball team(s) entered in the T.O.C.). If a League designated as the host withdraws their team(s) from that Division, then the tournament will be relocated to a League that is participating.
10. Twenty-four hours' notice of a team's inability to play the scheduled game (a forfeit) is **REQUIRED**. Failure to provide said notice (without justifiable reason) will result in that League not being assigned as a host for **ANY** TOC Tournament games the following season. If the opposing team is required to appear at game site due to lack of notification, the League whose team failed to provide the required notification will be fined \$50. The fine will be paid to the League who did show up. Failure to pay the fine will result in disqualification from that Division in the following season season's TOC Tournament.

# 2024

## California District 51

### T.O.C. Regular Season Team Roster/Entry Form

(**MUST** be submitted no later than 96 hours before START of Tournament)

LEAGUE NAME	
REGULAR SEASON TEAM NAME	
CHARTERED DIVISION OF PLAY	

	First Name	Last Name	DOB	League Age	Date Last Pitched
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