



## TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS LOCAL RULES

1. All regular season rules published by L.L.B.B. will apply. **NOTE: Pitching and Catching eligibility (*Pitch Count and days rest*) continues from the regular season.** Individual league local rules do not apply in TOC and only the District 62 local rules apply.
2. All teams will play with their regular season roster as declared at the beginning of the regular season.
3. The League President SHALL make replacement of lost players. All replacement players will be from the same division, and same league age as the player lost. Replacements may be taken from any team not currently participating in TOC. Replacement must be authorized by email.

If there is no eligible replacement in the division, the District Administrator may approve a waiver if properly justified by email.

When a league has only 2 teams in a division, the teams may play short (with the District Administrator's approval) until one team loses and a replacement player is available.

Replacement players will be placed last in the batting order after all regular season players and may not be on defense in the first inning. Exception: If less than 9 regular season players are available for the game, replacements may complete the remaining positions in the starting lineup.

Violation of this rule is not grounds for protest and if violated, the remedy is to correct the lineup. If the manager refuses, the manager may be ejected and the line up corrected.

4. No All Star may be used as a replacement player. (Superstars are not All Stars and are eligible replacement players)
5. Teams will use Continuous Batting Order and Free Substitution. (Rule 4.04)
6. Only water or sports beverages in non-breakable containers are allowed in the dug outs.
7. **DISQUALIFICATION:** All players must meet the age and residency requirements of L.L.B.B. Any team found to be using any ineligible player during the regular season will be referred to the District Administrator for possible disqualification. If disqualified, the team with the highest regular season standing, having a complete roster of legal players, will represent the league in the Tournament of Champions.

Any team found with an ineligible player, manager or coach during the Tournament of Champions may be disqualified.

\*Each tournament team will be allowed **one** excused absence per tournament. An excused absence is one caused by sickness, family vacation, or other justifiable and verifiable reason and approved by the District Administrator.

## MINOR B SUPPLEMENTAL RULES

1. There will be no illegal pitch
2. No 11 or 12-year-old player may pitch
3. The strike zone is widened by 2 baseballs outside and 1 baseball inside home plate

## AWARDS

All players, managers, coaches, and umpires participating in the TOC will receive a TOC Pin.

All players, managers, and coaches participating in the championship game will receive a 1st or 2nd place Medallion.

## RULE CLARIFICATIONS AND REMINDERS

**Rule 2.00:** “NOTE 2: The Infield Fly Rule does not apply in Tee Ball.” The infield fly is in effect and is a judgment call by the umpires in all other divisions.

**Rule 3.04:** The “Courtesy runner” for the catcher and/or pitcher of record when there are two (2) outs is adopted for TOC. Per Rule 7.14(b), the courtesy runner must be the player who was last put out.

**Rule 3.09:** Communication with others outside the field or dugout: Any communication with those outside the dugout or playing field will receive a warning. Subsequent violations may result in discipline up to and including ejection from the game or stands.

**Rule 4.10(e):** The Little League Run Rule will be used in all divisions. (15 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings, 8 runs after 5 innings.) See Rule 4.10(e) for details.

**Rule 4.04:** Continuous Batting Order: If a base runner is injured and removed from the bases, the substitute runner will be the last offensive player to be put out.

**Rule 4.19:** All protests will be immediately referred to the District Administrator or designee before play resumes. All decisions are final.

**Clarification to Rule 5.07:** In Minor League play:

Any play in progress when the fifth run scores will continue to its natural conclusion before removing the players from the field. The score book will reflect all runners' movement, but **only five (5) runs will be scored.**

The five-run rule is suspended on the last half-inning for either team and to any half-inning in an extra inning. (The side will be retired after 3 outs or batting through the order)

**MANDATORY PLAY:** Managers are solely responsible for ensuring all players fulfill the requirements of mandatory play. Failure to meet mandatory play will result in removal of the manager, without replacement, for the remainder of the TOC.

If the tournament director notifies a manager of an imminent MPR violation, the game will be suspended until the affected players are entered into the game.

All players not receiving their mandatory play will start the next game and complete their MPR for both games prior to being removed.

**CHANTING:** Chanting is allowed provided there is no chanting or noises deemed unsportsmanlike or distracting to the Batter or Pitcher.

**Rule 1.11(a)(1):** Exception: Replacement players will play in their regular season uniform.



## California District 62 Little League Tournament Procedures

### 1 hour prior to game

- Manager or Coach check in at the Tournament Director's Table for coin toss
  - \*If one is not present, the manager present will choose home or visitor
  - \*Home team will occupy 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout
- All Teams on the playing field – Rostered members of the team only
- Teams may use the outfield for warm up drills and play catch
- **NO bats are allowed on the tournament field**

**Note: Only Little League approved equipment is allowed on the field or dugout!**

### 45 minutes prior to game

- Batting Order, D62 Announcer, Pitch Count Cards turned in to tournament director.
- Mickey Shriver Official Batting Orders required and will be provided by District 62
- **Teams will not take infield until all forms are properly completed and submitted**
- All teams clear the field in preparation for infield practice

### 40 minutes prior to game

- Visiting team infield for 10 minutes
  - \*After infield, place all bats and equipment in front of dugout for inspection

### 30 minutes prior to game

- Home team infield for 10 minutes
  - \*After infield, place all bats and equipment in front of dugout for inspection

### 20 minutes prior to game

- All players and coaches in their dugouts

### 15 minutes prior to game

- Plate meeting with Managers, Umpires and Tournament Director
- Introduction of Presidents, managers, players, coaches, and Umpires (Please provide pins for volunteer Umpires and tournament staff)
- National Anthem (or Pledge of Allegiance) - Little League Pledge - Parent Pledge

### Game time - First Pitch

### After the Game

- **Promptly clear your dugout of equipment and clean all trash and debris. Please ask your fans to clean up their areas as well.**
- **Have an authorized person pick up your Affidavit, new introduction list and batting order. The tournament staff is NOT responsible for safeguarding your affidavit.**