FYB PHILLY DIVISION RULES

Revised 1/1/2020- ALL RULE VIOLATIONS WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE FYB BOARD

THIS DIVISION FOCUSES TOTALLY ON INSTRUCTION OF BEGINNING PLAYERS

Pony Baseball Rules and Regulations will be followed with the exceptions noted below:

1. Philly is a Tee Ball Division Only. No coach pitch or sling pitch maybe used.

2. Games will be three (3) innings in duration or until the time period of one hour has been reached. NO new inning shall begin after one hour. All players on the roster must play defensively.

3. Infield to consist of P, 1B, 2B, SS, 3B with five outfielders positioned 15 feet behind the baseline. No catcher. No player may play the same position twice in one game, except for the first baseman who can play first base two innings during one game.

4. Each team shall bat their entire roster each inning. Declare the last batter. LAST BATTER RULE: The last batter will be treated like any other batter. If a ball is hit into the infield, a play must be made before the ball is thrown back to the pitcher. The play is then “dead” and the teams switch sides. DO NOT RUN YOUR LAST BATTER ALL AROUND THE BASES JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT; IT IS UNSPORTSMANLIKE AND CREATES A SAFETY ISSUE FOR THE PLAYERS.

5. Player will be given three (3) opportunities to hit off the tee, and if they don’t get a hit, they will be out.

6. Play will end when the ball is thrown into an infielder and the infielder raises their hands to call time/end of play.

7. A forced out, caught fly ball, or tag out will constitute an out and the player must return to the dugout. After three outs are made, the bases will be cleared.

8. There may be THREE defensive coaches on the field at one time.

9. No metal cleats are allowed.

10. No eating or drinking (except water, sports drinks, sunflower seeds, or similar) will be permitted in the dugout.

11. Players at the pitching position MUST wear a protective heart guard device and a helmet. A face shield is also strongly recommended. These items are located in the Philly equipment shed and available for both teams during the game. It is acceptable if the player has their own equipment.

12. Philly teams may have a maximum of twelve (12) PLAYERS, though ten (10) players are preferred.

13. No team shall get together as a team for a game or practice more than two times a week in any combination, i.e. one game and one practice equal two team meetings. Any practice immediately before a game that lasts over one hour fifteen minutes constitutes a team meeting

14. Both teams are responsible for the preparation of the playing field before and after each game. Both teams are responsible for the clean-up of their respective stands after each game. Both teams are responsible for the clean-up of their respective dugouts.

15. Loud arguments with the opposing manager /coaches and/or parents in the stands are not permitted. Any discussion will be conducted in a sportsmanlike manner.