



2025 Marysville Little League Bylaws

The Bylaws of Marysville Little League (MLL) are updated, maintained, and approved annually by the Marysville Little League Board of Directors (BOD). The local rules of MLL do not conflict with Little League Rules, Regulations or Policies. Most rules governing the game are stated in the Little League Rule Book. This document is not a replacement for the Little League Rule Book or District 2 Interleague rules. When divisions need to interleague with other leagues, District 2 Bylaws will supersede MLL Bylaws.

Article I – Members of the Board of Directors

Section 1 – Board Members

All board member attendance will be monitored and may be called into question by the President if there is reasonable belief normal League business is being negatively affected. As a result, the President may ask for the removal of the deficient member by the MLL Board of Directors. MLL Board members are required to attend all regularly scheduled meetings. If any MLL board member misses 3 scheduled meetings, it will be brought before MLL BOD to determine if any action will be taken. (ex: removal as a board member or probationary period)

Section 2 – Regular Members and Member Dues

Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of MLL but does not wish to serve on the Marysville Little League Board may become a Regular Member upon election and payment of dues. Only Regular Members in good standing are eligible to vote at the Annual General Membership Meeting that is held in September. A regular Member in good standing must have submitted a volunteer form with \$20 membership dues both before April 1st of the current season to be an active member.

Article II – Committees

Section 1 – Formation and Role of Disciplinary Review Committee

Participants and/or spectators may require disciplinary action from the league regarding ejections or misconduct. To facilitate the timeliness of disciplinary actions, it may be necessary for the DRC to meet and review the alleged infraction(s). Ejections or misconduct may necessitate inquiries from other parents, coaches, or league officials, but such information shall not be given credence unless confirmed by secondary sources. Disciplinary Review Committee (DRC) includes President, Vice President, Player Agent of that division, Safety Officer, and Coaching Coordinator.

Section 2- Disciplinary Review Committee (DRC) Procedures

The league shall make every effort to treat all parties involved with respect, and a sense of fairness, and make every effort to ensure that the disciplinary process is not being used for purposes of smearing the reputation of another individual or for personal gain. When necessary, a hearing may be scheduled within 48 hours

following an infraction. All individual(s) involved will be given the opportunity to speak. After hearing testimony from all parties involved, a disciplinary action shall be decided by the DRC and presented to the individual(s) within 24 hours. In the case where the DRC has determined the individual(s) is to be removed from the position as manager / coach or removal of the individual(s) from the league entirely, a special Board meeting shall be called. The DRC, with testimony, shall make the recommendations for removal of the individual(s) to the Board. A majority vote to remove the individual(s) by the Board is sufficient.

Section 3 – Formation and Role of All-Star Player Selection Committee

The All-Star Player Selection committee will be composed of the League President, Vice President, Player Agent of that division, Managers of that division and League Safety Officer. The role of this committee is to review and evaluate the players nominated by the managers of that division to roster the All-Star team. The procedure for the All-Star selection process is in Article IX of this document.

Article III – Participation Fees

Section 1 – Refund Policy of Participation Fees

There will be no refunds made on or after February 15th. Any player who resigns before that date may request a refund of participation fees paid. All refund requests must be submitted to the Treasurer. After receiving the refund request, the Treasurer will verify the refund amount.

Section 2 - Fee Waiver

Participants who cannot afford to pay a participation fee shall notify the President. The President shall treat all such applications confidentially and shall take such steps as necessary to assure that the fee policy does not keep a player from participating. However, applicants who request to waive any portion of their participation fees will be **required** to volunteer hours as follows: 8 hours (1 player), 16 hours (2 players), 24 hours (3+ players). Volunteer hours must be fulfilled by working in the Snack bar, scorekeeping, field preparation duties, assisting in fundraising efforts or other duties as assigned to benefit MLL.

Article IV – Managers and Coaches

- A.** Interested parties must let the league know when registering their player. The MLL Board must approve all managers and coaches and then the player agent of that division will assign all Managers and Coaches.
- B.** Both Managers and Coaches shall attend Mandatory District 2 Umpire Clinic.
- C.** All Managers and Coaches shall sign and abide by the Manager Contract provided by MLL.
- D.** All Managers and Coaches must have knowledge of and abide by all rules and regulations set by MLL and District 2.
- E.** Managers are not allowed to reschedule games. The Player Agent of that division will be the only authorized person to cancel or reschedule games. The Player Agent or President must notify District 2 if interleague games are canceled. There will be no forfeits or game changes made by managers/coaches.
- F.** The MLL board will approve managers after they have completed the volunteer form and clearance from DOJ.
- G.** All coaches, team moms, and volunteers on the field must have closed toed shoes and appropriate clothing.
- H.** Managers/Coaches will not allow a non-registered player to participate in any practices, games, or scrimmages.

Article V – Player Draft and Selection

Section 1 - Player Selection (Draft)

- A.** Player Agents must have parent/guardian approval to draft an eligible child to a higher division than specified on the registration form.

- B. All league age 9, 10, 11 and 12-year-old players who have completed registration and participated in evaluations may be selected in the **Major** division draft. Qualified 9- and 10-year-olds must have participated in the evaluations and may be selected for the Major division provided all eligible 12-year-olds have been selected. Option A, Conventional Draft Selection, will be used for the draft process.
- C. All league age 8 through 10-year-old players who have completed registration and evaluations may be selected in the **Minor** (Player Pitch) draft. Qualified 7- and 8-year-olds may be selected, provided they participated in the evaluations, and after all eligible 9- and 10-year-olds have been drafted. The Safety Officer will evaluate the 7- and 8-year-olds to determine if they are eligible for Minor (Player Pitch). Option A, Conventional Draft Selection, will be used for the draft process.
- D. Major Division “Property Player” must be registered by the scheduled draft date. Failure to do so will result in the player losing Property Player status.
“Property Player”: Each player acquired shall, for the duration of their Major Little League career, be the property of the team and league or division making the acquisition, unless subsequently traded or released. If a property player attends try-outs, they will automatically be released.
NOTE: When local league elects to utilize “Common Pool Draft Method” players shall remain property of the league or division making the acquisition.
- E. Any “Property Player” may request to be released from the team. All verbal requests for release must be given to the appropriate Player Agent prior to the first scheduled try out for that division. Player Agents will submit requests to the President for review. The player must attend at least one of the league’s scheduled evaluation dates and must enter the draft selection.

Section 2 - Placement of Players (After the Draft)

- A. **Minor, Major, and Jr Divisions** – Candidates which have registered after the draft will be placed on the team that was next in line in the draft. Unless there is an imbalance of players on the rosters, the player agent will determine where to place the late sign up.
- B. **T-Ball and Farm (“Coach” Pitch) Divisions** - Any player candidate 4 through 7-year-old who otherwise qualifies for the T-Ball or Farm (Minor “Coach” Pitch) Division but registers after teams have been formed may be placed on a team by the player agent as soon as that candidate has been declared eligible.

Section 3 - Roster Limit

- A. It is recommended Minor (Player Pitch), Major & Junior Divisions carry at least twelve (12) players but up to fifteen (15) players during the regular season.
- B. It is recommended T-Ball and Farm (Minor Coach Pitch) Divisions carry between eight (8) to ten (10) players per team.
- C. No player shall be released from a Junior or Major team within the last 4 weeks of the regular season unless justification through proper documentation is presented to the Player Agent by the manager. All documentation shall be submitted to the MLL Board of Directors for review and approval.
- D. For any loss of a player, the team manager must make notification to the player agent of that loss within 48 hours.

Article VI – Scheduling

Section 1 –Major Division Game Time

Two games scheduled for the same day, no new inning shall begin after 1 hour and 45 minutes of play for the first scheduled game.

Section 2 – Minor (Player Pitch) Game Time

No new inning shall begin after 1 hour and 30 minutes of play, Games can end at the time limit without the home team getting its last at-bat if that team cannot win because of run limit. All home teams will occupy the dugout on the 1st base side. All visiting teams shall occupy the dugout on the 3rd base side.

Section 3 – Farm (Minor Coach Pitch) Game Time

No new inning shall begin after 1 hour and 15 minutes of play.

Section 4- TBall Game Time

T-Ball games shall be limited to 1 hour of play.

Article VII – Playing Rules

Section 1 – FARM (Minor Coach Pitch) Division

- A.** Managers/coaches shall pitch to their own players.
- B.** Starting the second half of the schedule, players should pitch a minimum of 3 pitches to the opposing team's batter and the subsequent 4 pitches will be completed by the offensive manager.
- C.** Each player is required to play a different defensive position at least every other inning.
- D.** Mandatory: all players shall be rotated and must play a minimum of 2 innings per game.
- E.** Teams may field a total of 10 players defensively with 4 outfielders.
- F.** A maximum of 2 coaches in the outfield for defensive direction will be allowed.
- G.** For offensive play, two coaches may only be on the field when serving as a base coach, and one as pitcher.
- H.** Teams shall bat using the same batting order throughout the game.
- I.** Each player may only bat once per inning.
- J.** Each batter gets seven (7) pitches unless they put the ball in play.
- K.** There is no stealing or advancing on a passed ball or wild pitch.
- L.** Each team's turn at bat ends when one of the following conditions has been met; when three (3) outs have been made defensively or four (4) runs have scored.
- M.** For the first scheduled game of the day, the Home Team is responsible for setting the bases and making sure trash bags are in dugouts.
- N.** For the last scheduled game of the day, the Visiting Team is responsible for putting the bases away and collecting the trash.
- O.** Managers and coaches will allow players to start pitching to batters (with three pitches total) by April 1st.

Section 2 -Tee-Ball Division

- A.** Each batter shall hit off a tee.
- B.** Starting the second half of the season, manager/coaches may pitch to their own players.
- C.** Teams may field all players defensively.
- D.** Managers and Coaches are allowed on the field during the games for instructional purposes.
- E.** Teams shall bat using the same batting order throughout the game.
- F.** The side will be out when the offensive team has bat through their entire roster in its half of the inning.
- G.** For the first scheduled game of the day, the Home Team is responsible for setting the bases and making sure trash bags are in dugouts.
- H.** For the last scheduled game of the day, the Visiting Team is responsible for putting the bases away.

Section 3- Minor (Player Pitch), Major, and Junior Division-

Refer to District 2 Bylaws

Article VIII – Park Regulation

Due to concerns that have arisen over the years and expressed by the surrounding neighbors, MLL families must conduct themselves with dignity and courtesy toward the neighbors living near the ball fields. As a condition to a player's participation in MLL, each parent or guardian shall agree to honor the following "Good Neighbor" policy of the league:

- A. They shall park their vehicles during games so as not to interfere with the ingress or egress of any neighborhood driveway, sidewalk, fire hydrant or entrance into the Marysville High School Ag Dept.
- B. They shall leave the neighborhood in clean condition upon completion of each game and prior to departure. All trash in dugouts and stands must be thrown away after every game.
- C. The sidewalks and surrounding areas shall not be used for the dumping of trash or the cleaning of cleats.
- D. Under no circumstances shall any side-yard, fence or outdoor shrubbery be used as a substitute for a restroom.
- E. The retrieval of baseballs and/or softballs that land in side-yards or backyards of residences shall only be made by the residents.
- F. There shall be no confrontations of any kind at any time with the neighbors living near the ball field.
- G. All reasonable requests pertaining to the parking of vehicles in the neighborhood shall be immediately honored in favor of the residents.
- H. Nobody shall climb the levees for any reason.

Article IX – Selection of the All-Star Teams

- A. Only Players with a signed Letter of Intent turned into the Player Agent of their division by the dates specified by the Player Agent will be eligible for All-Stars. Any late entries, the date noted on the letter, will not be eligible.
- B. The total number of All-Star candidates selected to roster a team will be no less than 12 players and no more than 14 players.
- C. All-Star rosters shall be determined by the All-Star Selection Committee and submitted to the MLL Board of Directors for final approval.
- D. The All-Star manager will be from the first-place team in their respective division but are subject to Board approval (see E). If another All-Star team is formed then the second place team manager will get to manage that team. Each manager will select his/her own coaching staff from their respective divisions. All selections are subject to approval by the MLL Board of Directors.
- E. All-Star eligibility for any manager, coach or player who received disciplinary action during the regular season or T.O.C. play is subject to review and approval by the MLL Board of Directors.
- F. Each team will have at least a minimum of one player to represent each team in All-Star rosters.

Article X - Miscellaneous

A. Uniforms are not allowed to be done privately or individually. Teams must wear uniforms issued by the MLL. If a team obtains their own uniforms the manager will be held responsible. The manager will be brought before MLL Board and may be removed as manager from the team. The Manager may not ask parents for money to buy new uniforms.

Article XI - Code of Conduct

All players and parents will receive a Code of Conduct in the registration packet. Parents must go over the Code of Conduct and return a signed copy. The copy will go in the player's file for the remainder of the season. If at any time a player or parent breaks the Code of Conduct, they will face disciplinary actions as follows:

First Offense: When MLL Board of Directors receive notice of a first offense by player or parent, a written warning will be issued. This written warning will include the consequences of future violations.

Second Offense: When a second offense is reported, the player or parent will be suspended from games and/or all activities for a specific time deemed appropriate by the MLL Board of Directors.

Third Offense: When a third offense is reported, the MLL board of Directors will meet and decide which of the following actions deems appropriate: suspension, expulsion for the current season or a permanent expulsion from MLL.

** Any board member will get to decide how severe the issue is and whether to be brought to the board. If any actions are, severe the issues will be brought to the board within 48 hours and the board will decide the disciplinary action for the individual/group within 5 days.*

Article XII – Amendments

The Bylaws may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any duly organized meeting of MLL Board. Proper notice of the proposed change must be included in the notice of such meeting. Draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to District 2, for approval before implementation.

These Bylaws were approved by the Marysville Little League Board on 12/15/2024.

President's Name (Print): Kasie Weers

President's Signature:  date: 12/16/2024

Little League ID No.: 405-02-05

Make one copy for the District Administrator and copies for the Local League.

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