

Burlington Little League By-Laws

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BURLINGTON LITTLE LEAGUE (BLL) BY-LAWS These by-laws to the constitution may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote of the membership at any duly organized meeting provided notice of the proposed change is included in the notice of such a meeting and announced 15 days prior to the date of the meeting. These By-Laws shall not conflict with the Official Little League Rulebook.

ARTICLE I League Guidelines for Managers and Coaches

1.01: Appointments

The procedures for appointing managers and coaches must be understood and accepted by all concerned. The policies are:

- a) There is no seniority or tenure in serving as a manager or coach.
- b) All appointments expire annually.
- c) The power to appoint managers and coaches has been granted solely to Local League President from the inception of the program with final approval by the Board of Directors.
- d) The Board of Directors will have the final right to approve or disapprove all appointments made by the President.
- e) This is an administrative matter and is not subject to intervention by the membership.
- f) All managers and coaches are directly responsible to the President.
- g) The President is responsible to the Board of Directors for the actions of all managers, coaches and volunteers.
- h) There is no appeal process for reconsideration.
- i) Selection of managers, coaches and umpires is in the Local League jurisdiction and is not subject to intervention from the District or Region.
- j) The President may make temporary appointments as needed but these appointments will not exceed 14 calendar days.

1.02: Qualifications

To ensure that the Local League has the best possible leadership, managers and coaches should live within the League Boundaries and should have the following qualifications:

- a) **Major League** — Manager candidates selected should have previously managed or coached and display sufficient knowledge in the Minor, Major, Junior or Senior LL divisions. Coaches recommended by the Managers must be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.
- b) **Minor League** — Managers selected should have managed or coached previously or display sufficient knowledge of baseball to perform successfully at this level.
- c) **Rookie League** - Managers selected should have managed or coached previously or display sufficient knowledge of baseball to perform successfully at this level.
- d) **T ball League** - Managers selected should have managed or coached previously or display sufficient knowledge of baseball to perform successfully at this level.
- e) **Managers** – Must attend clinics and umpire training as deemed by the board. All managers will be expected to help maintain fields and practice pavilion throughout the entire year including preseason, during the season and post season play (i.e. early spring

and late fall). Any suspension of a manager will carry the same penalty whether suspended by the board or an umpire.

1.03: Manager Responsibilities

Managers and coaches shall attend a mandatory League Orientation. The President and Board of Directors shall insure that managers are familiar with Little League Rules, Burlington Little League rules and policies by providing Official Little League Rule Books, and Burlington Little League literature, as well as providing classes on training and safety. The manager will make sure applicable policies are communicated to the parents at a team meeting to be held prior to the start of practices. The parents meeting shall be held at such time and place and under such circumstances that the parents can give the manager their undivided attention. Experience has shown that informed parents are more inclined to help.

a) **Manager/Coach commitment and background check:** The President and Board of Directors shall ensure that managers and coaches have been thoroughly reviewed and understand the Managers/Coaches Code of Conduct form and responsibilities. **MANAGER VOLUNTEER APPLICATION, BACKGROUND CHECK, CODE OF CONDUCT FORM AND SIGNED AGREEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES MUST BE SIGNED AND TURNED IN PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT.** This will include Social Security numbers; this is not a BLL requirement but a Little League requirement in order to run the required background checks. Assistant coaches will be named after the teams and players have been selected at all levels.

b) **Managers are responsible** for keeping parents informed of meetings, picture dates, opening day ceremonies, fund-raisers, concession stand, etc.

c) **Draft policy:** All managers are required to be present to draft their teams. All drafts will be in accordance with Burlington Little League Bylaws and policies. All draft information is confidential in nature; especially confidential is the players try out rankings and the draft round in which a player was selected. **NO MANAGER SHALL RELEASE TEAM ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION UNTIL AFTER A TIME DETERMINED AND ANNOUNCED BY THE PLAYER AGENT, INCLUDING MID-SEASON REPLACEMENTS.**

d) **Discipline Policy:** Managers shall uphold player, parent and manager expectations that are agreed upon during the registration process outlined in the BLL Code of Conduct. Parents/guardians agree to the Code of Conduct as part of the registration process. Managers shall explain to both parents and players the importance of following the Code of Conduct. Managers may request to sit out a player if that player repeatedly misses practices or games, or as a disciplinary action (Breaking the rules of the signed Code of Conduct). Requests shall be made to the appropriate league representative/Director who will present it to the Player Agent, Vice President and President with sufficient time to notify player and parents prior to game day.

e) **Training:** Managers are expected to attend training sessions and to encourage coaches and other board approved volunteers to obtain proper training. Managers can access the Little League Rule Book and BLL rules via the BLL website. The manager is expected to read the Little League Rule Book and BLL rules and make their coaches aware of the rules as well.

f) **Safety:** Managers shall be familiar with and follow the safety checklist on the inside of the back cover of the Little League Official Regulations and Playing Rules Book. BLL appoints each year a Safety Officer who shall be introduced at the Managers/Coaches league orientation. All accidents must be reported to the Safety Officer.

g) **First Aid:** Managers are expected to either have had first aid training or attend a first aid clinic. The manager shall fill out the insurance form (kept in the concession stand) for any injury during practices or games that require medical attention, report to the Safety Officer with the completed form, and the Safety Officer will then take appropriate action.

h) **Doctors care:** Any player requiring doctor's care that causes the player to be unable to play shall produce a signed release before participating in practices or games.

i) **Managers will attempt to ensure** that two board-approved and background checked adults are at each practice. The Manager shall make sure each adult is aware of the nearest location of a telephone and where to find the medical release forms. The adult in charge of practice will not leave until all players are picked up. It is up to the manager to determine the policy of the team regarding parents attending all practices/games.

j) **Practices and games shall be cancelled** if there is any question of safety due to weather (Lightning storms) lack of adult supervision or other factors. The Chief Player Agent will call the managers. Each manager may set up their communication plan for parents and players at the team parent meeting.

k) **Practices:** During the preseason, except in extenuating circumstances, BLL teams shall practice and or play games no less than two (2) times a week. During regular season, except in extenuating circumstances, BLL teams shall meet no more than five (5) times per week (including practices and games).

l) **Equipment:** Equipment and uniforms must be properly cared for during the season and cleaned before being turned in at the end of the regular season. The team Manager must request any equipment needs or replacement needs from the League Equipment Coordinator or League Director. It is the responsibility of the Managers and All-Star Managers to collect and return their teams uniforms and keys. They must return them to the Uniform/Equipment rep in a timely fashion (i.e. within 1 week after the last game) Also, managers will be asked to inventory equipment at the end of the season and make recommendations for replacement.

m) **Players who miss three pre-season practices without notifying the manager:**

The manager must report to the Player Agent any player who misses three pre-season practices without informing the manager. The Player Agent shall investigate and may replace the player if the situation warrants.

n) **Players who will or who may miss three consecutive games due to injury, moving, quitting, discipline or any other reason regardless of whether the manager is notified:** The Player Agent must be notified immediately of any players who have moved out of league boundaries, have quit or who have suffered injuries that may cause a player to miss three or more consecutive regularly schedules games. Whether such player must be replaced on the roster will be determined by the Player Agent or Board based on consideration of Little League Rules, replacement player availability, point in the season when the vacancy occurred, and other relevant factors.

o) **Move Ups:** Should a player need to be moved up from a lower league, managers and coaches shall do everything possible to encourage the player to move up. Any player who moves up will only play with their newly assigned team. Managers/coaches who interact with a player or parent with the intent of discouraging a player from moving up shall immediately be suspended from his/her position pending Board review of the situation.

p) **Resignation:** If a manager finds that he/she is unable to fulfill the manager commitment, the league representative must be notified immediately. The league representative shall inform the Player Agent, Vice President and President for replacement.

q) **Player Evaluation/Tryouts:**

1. The Chief Operating Officer and the Player Agent will provide an evaluation form for tryouts and present it to the Board of Directors prior to League tryouts.

2. Each manager/evaluator shall complete a rating/ranking evaluation for each player during tryouts for Majors and Minors. If the manager cannot attend tryouts, he/she must have one of the team coaches attend. Team coaches are welcome to attend with the manager if the manager chooses.

1.04: Suspension and Termination.

1. Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors, by two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting, shall have the authority to discipline or terminate the membership of any Member of any class when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the interests of the local League and/or Little League Baseball.
2. If a Manager, Coach, or player is ejected from a game, that Manager, Coach or player is suspended, from managing, coaching, or playing a minimum of one game, administered the next game played. For example, if the next game is rained out, the suspension is carried out on the next game that is played, not on the make-up game for the rain out. Failure to abide by this rule is grounds for permanent termination. Discipline beyond the immediate ejection must go in front of the Board of Directors.
3. The Member/Manager/Coach or player (incl. parents/guardian) involved shall be notified of such a meeting within 2 days of the incident, informed of the general nature of the charges and given the opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges.
4. In the case of a Manager or Coach, suspension or termination of membership shall also suspend or terminate their duties as a manager or Coach.
5. The Board of Directors will determine and provide any appropriate discipline based on the circumstances surrounding all charges.

1.05. Length of Term

1. All Managers, Coaches and Umpires are appointed for one year only and incumbents must be re-appointed on a yearly basis if interested in continuing. At the conclusion of each season, the Board shall review the performance of the Managers and Coaches. They shall determine their ability to handle a team and members of that age group within the concepts and purposes of Little League Baseball.
2. Individuals interested in managing a team shall contact a Board member or the appropriate League Coordinator or indicate interest at League sign-ups.
3. Managers shall be assigned to a team by the League President after consultation with the Manager Selection Committee, subject to the approval of the Board. Manager Selection Committee shall consist of President, Chief Operating Officer, Player Agent, and Division Directors (i.e. Majors Director, T-Ball Director, etc...) and Safety Officer.
4. In order to manage or coach in the Local League, individuals involved are required to attend an orientation meeting to learn or review the rules and ideals of the Local League. The time and place will be designated by the appropriate League Coordinator/Division Director prior to the season opening game.

ARTICLE II League Coordinators

The President, with Board approval, may appoint a Manager in each League to be "League Coordinator". In addition to helping the Player Agent locate other Manager candidates to fill the applicable League openings in their appropriate Division, they will ensure proper maintenance and safety of the individual fields they play on during the season, and arbitrate minor disputes/discrepancies between Managers, Coaches or players should they occur.

ARTICLE III Participation

A reasonable league participation fee may be assessed as the parents' obligation to assure the operational continuity of the Local League. At no time should the inability to pay any fee hinder participation in any league program. If payment of the required fee is a hinder then the applicant should contact BLL Registration Director for consideration of the circumstances.

ARTICLE IV Sign Ups and Tryouts

4.01: Tryout Date

Regular sign-ups may be held during the month of January at an announced location or as approved but the Board of Directors. At Board of Directors discretion, an earlier sign-up (for returning players) may be scheduled. Adequate advertising in the local media/website shall be provided prior to sign-ups. Sign-ups will continue through tryouts.

4.02: Residency

- 1) Throughout the history of Little League, the place of residence of a candidate for entry into a local Little League has been established as:
 - a) The place of residence of the parents (their legal residence), or
 - b) The place of residence of the parent that has legal custody of the child, or
 - c) The place of residence of the guardian of the Child, as established by a Court of jurisdiction.
- 2) A parent or guardian must sign a player candidate up, and they must have satisfactory verification of birth date and residence within League boundaries.
- 3) Three proofs of residency dated January of current season must be submitted at the beginning of the season.

4.03: Parent or Guardian Agreement

At the time of sign-up, the parent or guardian must agree to all League Rules, BLL Code of Conduct and League drafting procedures prior to and during the playing season.

4.04: Late Sign-up

Any player entering Minors or below who signs up after the last registration date will be classified as a "late sign-up" and may be placed on a waiting list. Teams will be assigned 11 players with a maximum cap of 12 players per team. Players signing up late will be placed on a team based on roster availability. This list will be based on age, and it will be a first-come-first-serve basis. The League will make its best effort to place all those who desire to play. Any player signing up for Majors and up will be placed on a waiting list or may be placed into the Minors league if the player is not 12 years of age or older. All considerations will be made to try and have the late player play baseball in the respective and appropriate league.

4.05: Eligibility

Player candidates must check in at tryout to receive credit for attendance. Players must attend 50% of the tryout to be eligible to play that particular season. Any exceptions must be approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V Team Composition

As a policy, age requirements/limitations will be met as set forth by the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc.

5.01: Divisions

Safety is the primary consideration for the placement of all players, for both the individual player and other players on the team. It is for this reason that BLL request all players age 8 and up participate in a skill level evaluation held as part of pre-season try-outs. These are general age guidelines for each division:

- a) **T-Ball League:** Player ages 4, 5 and 6. This division focuses on the basics of catching, throwing, base running and hitting. A batting tee is used for hitting.

b) **Rookie League:** Player ages 6, 7 and 8. This is a player pitch and coach pitch division. 6-year-olds must attend the Minors Skills Evaluation to determine if he/she has skills necessary for this division. 6-year-olds are not able to pitch and must hit from a coach pitching per Little League rules. This division continues to focus on the fundamentals of catching, throwing, base running and hitting. Our Rookie League is considered part of the Minor League per Little League player age guidelines.

c) **Minor League:** Player ages 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. This is a competitive player pitch division. Any 8-year-old players not drafted will be assigned to a rookie league team. Parents of 12-year-olds must fill out a waiver in order for their child to play in the Minor League. 12-year-old players will not be eligible to pitch or play in All-stars. The primary objective of this division is to prepare players for the Major League. It is recommended that all potential Minor League players participate in the Skills Evaluation.

d) **Major League:** Players of league age 9, 10, 11 and 12 are eligible to play in this division. This is a highly competitive division. Teams are created thru a draft system. All new players must participate in the Majors tryouts to be considered draft eligible.

Any exception must be approved by the Board of Directors upon the recommendation of the Player Agent and respective League Coordinator.

5.02: The Draft System

1. When a thorough tryout program has been completed, the last place team of the preceding season gets the first choice in every round of the draft; the next to last place team gets the second selection in every round and the remaining teams select in the reverse order of standing.
2. Ties in the prior year shall be placed in draft order by a random draw of the League President and Player Agent or set tie breaker rules.
3. Managers must keep in mind that they shall not select more than eight (8) players in any given age group. The team roster may be comprised of players of league age 9 with board approval, 10, 11 and 12.
4. All players eligible for play in the Major Division shall be placed in a draft pool for consideration and may be drafted in any order unless the player falls under the exception of 5.05 (below).
5. The Draft Selection shall follow the procedures outlined in the most current "Little League Operations Manual" with the exception of Coaches and automatic draft selection. This provision is removed from the draft but Managers and automatic draft selection will remain.

5.03: Draft Selection – Choosing a Player

A team will be able to choose a player of any approved age described in Sections 1&2 above in any round, provided that that age bracket is not already filled on the team.

5.04: Bonus Picks

1. Each manager requiring eight or more players prior to the draft to complete the roster will be allowed one bonus pick at the completion of round four, unless this is the result of losing five 12-year-olds from the preceding season's roster.
2. Additional bonus picks will be permitted at the completion of each round thereafter replacing those players lost, other than 12 year olds.
3. If more than one manager is allowed bonus picks under this section, the order of rotation will be identical to that being followed in the draft.

5.05: Options

- 1) An option is an agreement between a Manager and the Player Agent covering a special condition. There are three options:
 - a) Brother/sister
 - b) Siblings: Younger Brothers/Sisters
 - c) Sons and/or daughters of Managers
- 2) All Options must be declared in writing by the respective Manager prior to the beginning of the draft and must be completed as specified in the Little League Operating Manual.
- 3) If a current player in a League has a sibling eligible to be drafted into that league, the Manager of the current player may exercise an option to draft the sibling in the first three rounds. After the third round, the sibling may be drafted by any manager in any subsequent round only upon the written approval of the parent/guardian of the sibling eligible to be drafted.
- 4) If the sibling is not drafted, he/she will revert to the next lowest league and remain eligible to be drafted in the subsequent year under the provisions recited here.

5.06: Terms of Draft

- 1) If a player is drafted to a team in any Division, the player must play in that Division unless exempted by the Player Agent, President and respective Vice President specifically for reasons dealing with safety hazards associated with playing ability.
- 2) A player that declines a position on a major team, whether by draft selection or mid-season call, is ineligible for future consideration for a major position for the remainder of the season.

5.07: Loss of a Player

- 1) If a manager loses a player during the season due to injury, change of residence, etc., he must fill the vacancy created within two weeks from the applicable Minor Division or from the waiting lists if the loss of player brings the number of players on their roster below the established standard for that season. No team will be permitted to carry more or less than the designated team player count applicable to that league Division unless the total number of players available to that Division would make it physically impossible to comply.
- 2) However, if a player is lost with two weeks or less remaining on the schedule, no change will be allowed unless needed to bring the roster to nine. Otherwise, the team losing the player will complete the season with the reduced roster and return to the proper player count in the following season's draft. A player chosen in this circumstance shall not be considered on the roster as a returning player. Team composition must continue to meet any applicable Local League or National age constraints.
- 3) Any player who is a first-year pick for the Majors, Intermediate or Juniors and is injured before the regular season commences may be replaced and the new player shall become a regular member of the team. The injured player, if replaced, will be placed on the waiting list upon return to eligibility as deemed by a physician.
- 4) A manager may request that any player lost to a prolonged injury (2 weeks) and be replaced by calling up another player as outlined above, be allowed to return to the regular season team upon physician's release. Both players will remain on the team, the replacement player and the returning player. The Board of Directors must approve this roster deviation by majority vote. In such a case, this team must still comply with minimum play requirements with the expanded roster, and the returning player must meet 50% of full season playing time requirements to be considered for all-star candidacy.

5.08: Minimum Play

All Managers must play each player as stated in the Little League rulebook or BLL Hometown Division Rules, whichever provides greater minimum playing time for players. The only exception to this rule will be in case of disciplinary action with the approval of the Player Agent. Violation of minimum playing time will be handled per the rulebook as will disciplinary action against the Manager.

5.09: Minor League Player Selection

- 1) The Board of Directors will determine the player selection process for the Minor Leagues. The primary goal is creating the most balanced competition possible.
- 2) Tryouts are not required for Minors, Rookie and T-ball.
- 3) The selection may be through a draft process similar to the Major League or may be by a committee appointed by the Board of Directors.
- 4) No 12-year-olds shall play in the minor division unless under special circumstances approved by the Player Agent, parents and Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI Player Selection and Retention

6.01: Duration of Title

- 1) Each player acquired shall, for the duration of their Major Little League career, be the property of the team making the acquisition, unless subsequently traded or released.
 - a) If the parents of the player believe that it is not in the best interest of the player to remain on a team which they have played with at least one season they may petition the President of the League, in writing to have their child placed in the draft pool, placement on a specific team will not be considered. Once such a request is made a trade involving the concerned player may not be made until after the draft process. This request must be made in sufficient time for the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors to review prior to the player tryouts for the concerned Division. The Executive Committee will rule on each request by majority vote with the best interests of the player the primary consideration.
 - b) The parents of an un-drafted player may request in writing to the President of the League that their child not be drafted by a certain team and must specify the reason. This request must be submitted in time for the Executive Committee of the board of Directors to review prior to the draft.
 - c) Placement on a certain team may not be requested, and the Executive Committee shall determine that manipulation of the draft process is not intended, but that the request is truly made in the best interest of the player.
 - c) Parents of players who become managers or coaches after their children have been selected to a Major, Intermediate, Junior or Senior team may not automatically claim their sons or daughters but may trade for them at the proper time.

6.02: Expansion

There are three alternatives for handling league expansion:

- a) When a league expands, it is highly desirable that all players be placed in a player pool and the selecting start from "scratch".
- b) Managers of existing teams would give up one 12 and one 11 year old for each new team in the league, (if the league is expanding from four to six teams, each of the original four would give up two 12 and two 11 year olds.) these players will then be placed in a common pool for selection by the new teams. This would give each new team a nucleus of experienced players. Once this nucleus of eight players is established, the remainder of the teams would be filled through regular bidding or draft.
- c) Each new team selects seven (or designated numbers) of players before the established teams begin to participate in the selection of players on a rotating basis.

6.03: Team reduction:

If the number of teams is to be reduced at the Major, Intermediate, Junior or Senior league level, all current Major, Intermediate, Junior or Senior league players affected must be reassigned by a draft to other teams during the regular draft involving new candidates.

ARTICLE VII Scheduling

7.01: Opening Day

Opening Day shall be at the discretion of the Board but will be no earlier than April 1st.

7.02: Rainouts and/or tie games

Rainouts or/and tie games will be made up in any manner decided by the Board. This may be handled by playing three games in one week or on an open date provided by the League Coordinator. Standard restrictions applicable to pitcher eligibility cannot be waived.

If there are discrepancies in the rescheduling of a game, the League Coordinator will select a date.

7.03: Tie Breaker

In the event of a tie at the end of the regular season, the winner will be established by first tie-breaker is head-to-head records. The second tie-breaker is average defensive runs allowed per inning by each team within the tie. The third tie-breaker is average defensive runs allowed per inning against all teams in the league. If additional tie breaking requirements are needed the Board of Directors will decide on what they should be.

ARTICLE VIII BLL All-Star Team Selection

The BLL All-Star Team shall not be announced prior to a date specified by the Little League District Office (June 15th).

Process:

- a) With the approval of the BLL Board, the various All Star Team Managers shall be determined by the Managers of Major division by a vote.
- b) The elected manager of the All-Star team may select 2 additional coaches to assist with board approval or in accordance with Little League International rules. In the event that a manager cannot or will not be available, the assistant coach will assume the responsibility as manager with BLL Board approval.
- c) All Star age brackets shall follow the Little League rule book. District All-Star teams will be selected in all divisions except T-ball and Rookie division.
- d) All personnel involved in the selection process shall be sworn to secrecy of **all** All-star announcements and discussions until given dates authorized by the BLL Board. Vote totals shall not be released to the public and will remain with the BLL President until that seasons Little League International tournaments have concluded. Votes and totals will then be destroyed.
- e) All Votes shall be counted/compiled immediately after the voting process and in front of the President, VP of League Operations, Player Agent, All-Star Committee Director and two Managers in attendance. Voting will not be completed in private.
- f) Major's managers will provide a list of eligible players to Players Agent 7 days prior to All-Star meeting.
- g) All eligible players will then be put on a ballot to be used to select up to 14 players to represent their chosen age group at District and beyond. The actual number of teams, players on the team and team selection process will be determined by the BLL Board prior to All-Star selection.
- h) Eligible players will be placed on the ballot. Each manager will select the number of players to fill the roster (ie. If a 12-player roster, each manager selects 12 players). Those with the most votes are selected. If a tie occurs, those players will go into a second ballot vote.

- i) All-Star Team managers may practice only after release of the names to the public and all players have been contacted.
- j) The BLL shall provide equipment and uniforms for the All-Star teams.
- k) Seven days prior to the all-star selection, parents of 8 thru 11-year-old players will indicate which age group they are willing to allow their child to play for.... for example: younger, older or both. 11-year-olds must sign off if they wish to be considered for the 12 year old team and disclose if they are available to play during all tournament dates.
- l) Parents/Players need to understand that play time may be limited to rules of Little League. If player is selected for the older team, they will not be considered for the younger aged team. If the player is not selected to the older team, they can still be considered for the younger age bracket.
- M) Intermediate All-Star selection process will follow the same guidelines as the Major's division All-Star selection as noted above.

ARTICLE IX BLL Code of Conduct

Introduction:

The Burlington Little League (BLL) is a community organization that sponsors youth baseball activities emphasizing fun, fair play and sportsmanship. The mission of our BLL Programs (including Burlington Titans and BLL All Stars) is to enhance every participant's enjoyment of their baseball experience. To better achieve this goal, we are outlining a Code of Conduct for all parents, coaches and players involved in BLL.

The Code of Conduct is a written contract between the parents, players and coaches to abide by the rules and regulations of the game as well as maintain a cooperative attitude and uphold the ideals of fair play and sportsmanship. This contract is more than just paper; it is the essence of our goals and objectives and thus, adherence to it is of primary importance.

Children who wish to play, parents who want their children to play, and Coaches who wish to coach on teams sanctioned by BLL are required to agree to and to sign this Code of Conduct.

Players Code of Conduct

All players Will ...

- Display good sportsmanship and team play at all times.
- Follow the direction of the Coaching Staff.
- Show respect for all opponents, coaches, players, umpires, league officials and spectators.
- Make every attempt to be on time and ready to play for all games and practices.
- Inform coaching staff in a timely manner when unable to attend practice or games.

All Players Will Not ...

- Use abusive or profane language
- Taunt or humiliate any other player
- Abuse, mistreat or mishandle any BLL equipment or property
- Threaten or fight any person while at any BLL game or practice

Parents & Spectators Code of Conduct

Parents and Spectators will support the players, coaches, umpires, opponents and league or tournament officials. Parents and Spectators won't "coach" or "officiate".

All Parents and Spectators Will ...

- Conduct themselves in a manner that displays the principles of good sportsmanship and team play.
- Show respect for all opponents, coaches, players, umpires, league officials and spectators.
- Inform the Coaching Staff of any disability or ailment that may affect the safety of their child.
- Comply with the decisions of league officials and observe all rules, policies and procedures as established or endorsed by BLL.
- Make arrangements to ensure that the players are punctual in arrival at and departure from all BLL athletic events.

All Parents and Spectators Will Not ...

- Use abusive or profane language
- Ridicule, demean, threaten or engage in confrontation with players, coaches, other spectators or umpires.

Coaches Code of Conduct

Coaches will remain unconditionally supportive of the BLL's commitment to the ideals of good sportsmanship, team play, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority. Likewise, coaches will remain sensitive to the physical and emotional well-being of the players.

All Coaches Will ...

- Be positive role models.
- Display and instill in their players the principles of good sportsmanship and team play.
- Conduct themselves in a manner that best serves the interests of the players, parents and BLL.
- Do their best to provide their players a positive experience.
- Ensure that their teams exhibit good sportsmanship at all times, win or lose. "Humble in Victory and Gracious in Defeat."
- Treat all players, coaches, opponents, umpires, league officials and spectators with respect.
- Provide instruction in a manner that is constructive and supportive.
- Teach the game of baseball to the best of their ability.
- Comply with the decisions of league and tournament officials and observe all rules, policies, and procedures as established or endorsed by BLL.

All Coaches Will Not ...

- Use abusive or profane language
- Ridicule or demean any players, coaches, opponents, umpires, league officials or spectators.
- Argue with opponents, players or spectators on any playing field or during any team function.
- Tolerate behavior that endangers the health or well-being of a child.

Conclusion:

The BLL Board of Directors reserves the right to impose penalties, including, without limitation, game suspensions, dismissal from the team, suspension or revocation of BLL membership for serious or repeated violation of this Code of Conduct or other conduct deemed to be harmful to BLL.

We agree to abide by the rules and regulations stated herein, and we are bound to all decisions and impositions of these rules. It is with the spirit of cooperation for the betterment of baseball and our family that we willingly abide by this contract.

These By Laws were approved by the Burlington Little League Board of Directors on February 4, 2026

President (print)
David Kmetz

President's Signature



Date

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Little League Baseball does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual preference or religious preference.