

CT DISTRICT 1
8 & 9-10 JIM FRANSEN – JERRY PIA
SUMMER FRIENDSHIP GAMES RULES

I GENERAL INFORMATION

- (1) ALL GAMES FALL UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF DISTRICT 1
ADMINISTRATOR- SCOTT A MILLER AND FRIENDSHIP GAMES COORDINATOR
PERRY PIERCE
- (2) THESE GAMES ARE TO ENCOURAGE PLAYERS TO PLAY POST
SEASON GAMES. EMPHASIS MUST NOT BE ON WINNING! NO
CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED. LEAGUES WILL
NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FUTURE
IF AWARDS ARE GIVEN BY LEAGUES OR MANAGERS.
- (3) GAME REPORTS FROM EACH TEAM ARE TO BE EMAILED TO THE DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATORS WITHIN 48 HOURS OF COMPLETION. EXAMPLE GAME
REPORT IS ATTACHED. FAILURE TO SUBMIT GAME REPORTS IN A TIMELY
FASHION WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM FURTHER GAMES. EMAIL
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II GENERAL RULES

- (1) TEAM TRAVELING TO THE FIELD CALLS THE COIN TOSS.
WINNER HAS CHOICE OF HOME / VISITOR "OR" DUGOUTS.
- (2) EACH TEAM WILL SUPPLY 2 BALLS PER GAME
- (3) HOME TEAM - 10 MINUTE WARMUP 30 MINUTES BEFORE GAME TIME.
- (4) VISITORS - 10 MINUTE WARMUP 20 MINUTES BEFORE GAME TIME.
- (5) FIELD VACATED 10 MINUTES BEFORE GAME TIME FOR PREPARATION.
- (6) REMINDER: NO ON-DECK BATTER.
- (7) NO BATS IN DUGOUT AT ANYTIME.
- (8) EACH SITE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING FIELDS, SUPPLING UMPIRES,
AND IS ALLOWED TO "PASS THE HAT" TO OFFSET THEIR EXPENSES.

III GAME RULES

UNLESS SPECIFIED HEREIN, OFFICIAL MAJOR LEAGUE L.L. REGULAR
SEASON RULES SHALL GOVERN PLAY

A. GENERAL

- (1) ALL TEAM ROSTERS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE LEAGUE
PRESIDENT. ALL PLAYERS MUST HAVE A LITTLE LEAGUE AGE
OF 8, 9, OR 10. UP TO 14 PLAYERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY
IN EACH GAME. THE SAME 14 PLAYERS NEED NOT PLAY IN EACH
GAME. NO SUBSTITUTIONS TO THE 14 PLAYER GAME ROSTER ARE
PERMITTED AFTER THE LINEUPS ARE ANNOUNCED. NOTE: ADDITIONS TO
A SUBMITTED ROSTER ARE ALLOWED IF A PLAYER SHOWS UP LATE.
- (2) A MAXIMUM TOTAL OF 3 ADULT COACHES, INCLUDING A MANAGER, AND
2 COACHES ARE PERMITTED IN THE DUGOUT OR ON THE BASES. ONE ADULT
MUST BE IN THE DUGOUT AT ALL TIMES.

(3) EACH TEAM WILL PRESENT A RUNNING BATTING ORDER PRIOR TO EACH GAME (i.e. ALL PLAYERS MUST BAT IN SPECIFIED ORDER FOR THE ENTIRE GAME IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER THEY ARE IN THE GAME DEFENSIVELY AT THE TIME THEIR TURN AT BAT OCCURS). NO SUBSTITUTIONS TO THE BATTING ORDER ARE PERMITTED. IN THE EVENT OF AN INJURY TO A PARTICULAR BATTER, THAT BATTER'S TURN WILL EITHER BE SKIPPED OR PICKED UP IN PROGRESS BY THE NEXT SCHEDULED BATTER. IN THE EVENT AN INJURED PLAYER CANNOT RUN THE BASES, THE OPPOSING MANAGER WILL PICK THE RUNNER. IF A PLAYER ARRIVES LATE, THEY ARE ADDED INTO THE LAST SLOT IN THE ORDER – NO EXCEPTIONS!

(4) DEFENSIVE SUBSTITUTION IS UNLIMITED, PROVIDED ALL GAME ROSTERED PLAYERS PLAY DEFENSIVELY FOR A MINIMUM OF 6 OUTS. (NOT NECESSARILY CONSECUTIVELY) AND THE PITCHING RULES HEREIN ARE NOT VIOLATED. IT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED HAVE PLAYERS PLAY A MINIMUM OF 3 DEFENSIVE INNINGS AND NOT TO SIT ANY PLAYER MORE THAN 1 INNING BEFORE ALL OTHER PLAYERS HAVE SAT AT LEAST ONE TIME.

(5) B, C AND 8 YEAR OLD DIVISIONS ONLY: A MAXIMUM 5 RUNS PER HALF INNING "SLAUGHTER RULE" WILL BE IN EFFECT FOR INNINGS 1 THRU 5. NO RESTRICTION ON SCORING WILL APPLY DURING THE 6th INNING. THE 10-RUN RULE WILL NOT BE IN EFFECT.

EXCEPTION: IF A FENCE-CLEARING HOME RUN ENDS AN INNING DUE TO SLAUGHTER RULE, ALL RUNS WILL SCORE. FOR EXAMPLE, A TEAM HITTING A THREE RUN HOME RUN AFTER ALREADY SCORING FOUR RUNS WILL BE CREDITED FOR SEVEN RUNS IN THE INNING.

NOTE: IT IS EXPECTED THAT IF A GAME IS ONE-SIDED, THE COACH WHO IS IN THE LEAD WILL ATTEMPT TO KEEP THE GAME WITHIN RESPECTABLE LIMITS (IE; NO BUNTING OR STEALING, KEEP RUNNERS FROM TAKING EXTRA BASES EVEN ON OVERTHROWS). SHOULD ANY INSTANCES OF COACHES RUNNING UP THE SCORE BE REPORTED, THEY WILL BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY AND IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED UP BY THE DISTRICT STAFF. ANY UNSPORTSMAN-LIKE CONDUCT IS GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OF THE OFFENDER(S) FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE GAMES.

(6) ANY DECISIONS DUE TO WEATHER, ETC LIES SOLELY WITHIN THE DESCRETION OF THE UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF AND THE SITE DIRECTORS. SHOULD A SITE DIRECTOR NOT BE PRESENT, THE DECISION LIES WITH THE HOME FIELD'S MANAGER UNTIL THE FIRST PITCH IS THROWN. AT THAT POINT, THE DECISION LIES SOLELY WITH THE UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF.

(7) IN 'C' AND 8 YEAR OLD GAMES, FOUR OUTFIELDERS MAY BE USED FOR A TOTAL OF 10 PLAYERS ON THE FIELD. THE FOURTH OUTFIELDER CANNOT BE USED AS A "SHORT FIELDER" OR INFIELDER. ALL OUTFIELDERS MUST TAKE THEIR POSITION SOMEWHERE ON THE OUTFIELD GRASS.

B. PITCHING

REGULAR SEASON PITCH COUNT RULES WILL BE USED. DAYS OF REST MUST BE OBSERVED. PITCH COUNTS TO BE KEPT BY THE TWO DUGOUTS AND CONFIRMED WITH THE OTHER BENCH EACH HALF INNING. IF THERE IS A DISAGREEMENT ON PITCH COUNT FOR A PARTICULAR HALF INNING, THE UMPIRE IN CHIEF WILL DETERMINE WHAT PITCH COUNT WILL BE USED. IN ADDITION, THE FOLLOWING WILL BE OBSERVED:

- (1) NO PITCHER MAY PITCH:
 - a. MORE THAN 3 INNINGS PER GAME.
 - b. AGAIN IN THE SAME GAME ONCE HAVING BEEN REMOVED AS THE PITCHER (EITHER REMOVED FROM THE GAME OR MOVED TO ANOTHER POSITION).
- (2) BALKS SHALL NOT BE CALLED, UNLESS AN OBVIOUS ATTEMPT IS BEING MADE TO DECEIVE A BASERUNNER (e.g. STANDING ON THE RUBBER WITHOUT THE BALL.) LITTLE LEAGUE RULE REGARDING BALKS WILL BE IN EFFECT. NO WARNINGS WILL BE ISSUED.
- (3) ALL PITCHERS MUST PITCH FROM 46' REGARDLESS OF ABILITY.

C. STEALING & BUNTING

STEALING (INCLUDES PASSED BALL / WILD PITCH) AND BUNTING WILL BE TO MAJOR LEAGUE RULES EXCEPT AS NOTED IN THE FOLLOWING

- (1) A DIVISION
 - BUNTING PERMITTED. NO "BUTCHER BOY" ALLOWED.
 - STEALING PER MAJOR LEAGUE RULES (I.E.; LIVE BALL)
- (2) B DIVISION
 - BUNTING PERMITTED. NO "BUTCHER BOY" ALLOWED.
 - REGARDING STEALING THE FOLLOWING WILL APPLY:
 - (i) NO STEALING OF HOME AT ANY TIME
 - (ii) NO DELAYED STEAL OR RUNNING ON OVERTHROW OF PITCHER BY CATCHER.
 - (iii) ANY RUNNER ATTEMPTING TO STEAL MUST LEAVE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BALL CROSSES THE PLATE. DELAYED STEAL WILL BE TREATED AS IF A RUNNER HAS LEFT EARLY (IE; THEY WILL BE SENT BACK IF NOT THROWN OUT). JUDGMENT RESTS WITH UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF.
 - (iv) CATCHER OR PITCHER CAN THROW "BEHIND" THE RUNNER. IN THIS CASE THE BALL IS LIVE AND IN-PLAY. RUNNER CAN ADVANCE AT HIS OWN RISK
 - (v) OVERTHROW BY CATCHER ON STEAL (NOT THROWN BEHIND THE RUNNER) RESULTS IN DEAD BALL, RUNNERS CANNOT ADVANCE ANY FURTHER.
EXAMPLE: FIRST AND THIRD, RUNNER STEALS SECOND. CATCHER THROWS TO SECOND. RUNNER AT THIRD MUST HOLD, NO MATTER THE RESULT OF THE CATCHER'S THROW
EXAMPLE: FIRST AND SECOND, RUNNER ON SECOND STEALS THIRD, CATCHER OVERTHROWS THIRD. RUNNER SAFE AT THIRD, RUNNER ON FIRST WILL BE PUT ON SECOND ONLY IF UMPIRE JUDGES THE RUNNER WAS IN MOTION TO SECOND.
EXAMPLE: RUNNERS ON FIRST AND SECOND. RUNNER ON FIRST BREAKS FOR SECOND. CATCHER OVERTHROWS SECOND OR THIRD. RUNNERS PLACED ON SECOND AND THIRD.

(3) C DIVISION

BUNTING PERMITTED. NO "BUTCHER BOY" ALLOWED.

ONLY STEALING OF THIRD BASE IS PERMITTED. OVERTHROW BY CATCHER

ON STEAL RESULTS IN DEAD BALL, RUNNERS CANNOT ADVANCE.

NO STEALING OF HOME AT ANY TIME.

NO DELAYED STEAL OR RUNNING ON OVERTHROW OF PITCHER BY CATCHER.

ANY RUNNER ATTEMPTING TO STEAL MUST LEAVE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BALL CROSSES THE PLATE. DELAYED STEAL WILL BE TREATED AS IF A RUNNER

HAS LEFT EARLY (IE; THEY WILL BE SENT BACK IF NOT THROWN OUT).

JUDGMENT RESTS WITH UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF.

OVERTHROW FROM THE FIELD WILL BE LIMITED TO ONE BASE ADVANCEMENT.

IF A PLAY IS ATTEMPTED ON THE ADVANCE AND IT IS OVERTHROWN AGAIN,

THE PLAY IS DEAD AND RUNNERS DO NOT ADVANCE FURTHER. NOTE THAT

THE ADVANCEMENT IS AT THE RISK OF THE RUNNER UNLESS THE BALL

LEAVES THE FIELD OF PLAY. IN THIS CASE, BOOK RULES WILL APPLY.

(4) 8 YEAR OLD DIVISION

NO BUNTING PERMITTED.

NO STEALING OR ADVANCING ON PASSED BALL / WILD PITCH OR OVERTHROW FROM CATCHER BACK TO PITCHER.

OVERTHROW FROM THE FIELD WILL BE LIMITED TO ONE BASE ADVANCEMENT.

IF A PLAY IS ATTEMPTED ON THE ADVANCE AND IT IS OVERTHROWN AGAIN,

THE PLAY IS DEAD AND RUNNERS DO NOT ADVANCE FURTHER. NOTE THAT

THE ADVANCEMENT IS AT THE RISK OF THE RUNNER UNLESS THE BALL

LEAVES THE FIELD OF PLAY. IN THIS CASE, BOOK RULES WILL APPLY.

D. DROPPED THIRD STRIKE

ALL GAMES WILL BE PLAYED WITHOUT DROPPED THIRD STRIKE RULE.

GAME REPORT SAMPLE

DATE: July 10
TEAMS: DARIEN vs. NORWALK
LOCATION: Veteran's park
DIVISION: B

Final score was Norwalk 15, Darien 12. Only one umpire showed up, so a second umpire was recruited from the stands.

Six run rule was used once for Darien, twice by Norwalk.

No incidents of note to report.

Perry Pierce, Manager Darien