

All rules and regulations should be followed according to the 2011 Little League Baseball Rule Book. The following are additional rules that the Ankeny Little League organization adopted. If you have any questions about these, please contact your league administrator.

<u>Rule:</u>	<u>5/6</u> <u>T-ball</u>	<u>7</u> <u>Machine</u> <u>Pitch</u>	<u>8</u> <u>Coach</u> <u>Pitch</u>	<u>9</u> <u>A</u>	<u>10</u> <u>AA</u>	<u>11</u> <u>AAA</u>	<u>12</u> <u>Majors</u>	<u>13/14</u> <u>Juniors.</u>	<u>SR/</u> <u>BIG</u>
Batting/Fielding - A hit ball is considered foul unless it travels 10 ft in fair territory.	X								
Batting/Fielding – No walks or strikeouts are allowed. Each batter is allowed 6 pitches. After 6 pitches, the batter will hit from a tee.		X							
Batting/Fielding – Batters will receive a maximum of 4 pitches from kid pitchers and up to 4 pitches from the coach. The coach at the mound is expected to call strikes from the kid pitcher. Batters will lose one coach pitch throw for each called kid pitch strike. Batters will not lose any coach pitches for swinging strikes. The goal is to get the kids swinging at kid pitches.			X						
Batting/Fielding – If a batter is hit by a kid pitcher, it is a dead ball and the batter will take the base.			X						
Batting/Fielding – No Batting practice from home plate on field- please utilize the batting cages.				X	X	X	X	X	X
Batting/Fielding – No bunting.		X	X						
Batting/Fielding – Runners can advance until the pitcher has the ball in the 15 ft diameter circle around the mound.	X								
Batting/Fielding –All players bat and play the field, with 6 infielders and the rest outfield. (8 yr olds will play with 9 players during city tournament)	X	X	X						
Batting/Fielding– Players bat round robin and will field 3 innings per game. Managers can use free substitutions throughout the game.				X	X	X	X	X	X
Batting/Fielding – Runners are able to steal home beginning May 09, 20110. (Note – Once the base runner has established his/her position at third base, the runner may attempt to advance home in the event a pickoff play attempt is made by the fielding team from the start of the season.)				X					
Batting Cages – Teams may use one side of the batting cages at any practice time in order to allow others to practice on the other side.				X	X	X	X	X	X
Cancelled/Reschedule Games – Manager may not cancel or reschedule any game without permission from their League Administrator. Any game canceled or rescheduled without permission will be considered a forfeit. Contact the league administrator to set the schedule.				X	X	X	X	X	X
Rescheduling Games – The league administrator will reschedule canceled games on the first available Friday or Sunday of the same week of the cancellation if possible. The goal is to get the game made up as soon as possible after the cancellation so that the season doesn't conflict with other tournaments.				X	X	X	X		
Rescheduling Games – The league administrator will reschedule canceled games on the first available date of the same week of the cancellation if possible. Due to regular games scheduled on Fridays for these ages, Sunday may be the next available. The goal is to get the game made up as soon as possible after the cancellation so that the season doesn't conflict with other tournaments.								X	X
Rain Outs – Rain outs may or may not be rescheduled (many of the lower ages don't reschedule). Any managers wishing to reschedule a game should work with their league administrator.	X	X	X						

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Coaching – Base coaches can be 1 adult and 1 player. If player is coaching the base, a helmet must be worn.							X	X	X
Coaching – Base coaches must be managers or coaches.	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Dugouts – Maximum of 3 adults in the dugout at all times. Players must be in the dugout behind the fence.	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Dugouts – Maximum of 4 adults in the dugout at all times. Players must be in the dugout behind the fence			X						
Home Team – Home team occupies the 3 rd base dugout.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Visitor Team – Visitor team occupies the 1 st base dugout.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Home Team – Home team responsible for base umpire.		X	X	X					
Batting team coach to call balls and strikes during the game.			X						
Home Team – Home team is responsible for the 1 st base umpire (if needed)				X	X	X	X	X	
Innings – Maximum 3 innings per game.	X								
Innings – Maximum 4 innings per game.		X							
Innings – Maximum 5 innings per game.			X						
Innings – Maximum 6 innings per game, unless tied.				X	X	X	X		
Innings – Maximum 7 innings per game, unless tied.								X	X
League Games – There will be inter-league play (NL vs AL).				X	X	X	X	X	X
League Standings – All games will count toward the standings used to determine the representatives from each division or league that will go to the county tournament of champions (if applicable). In case of a tie for first place the tiebreaker will be head to head record, league records, inter-league record, then 1 playoff game.				X	X	X	X	X	X
Maintenance – All players and managers are responsible for picking up trash inside dugouts, around fences, field and seating areas.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Outs – Innings consist of 3 outs or 4 runs, whichever comes first.		X	X						
Innings consist of 3 outs or 5 runs, whichever comes first				X					
Mercy rule – Ankeny Little League will follow the Little League International rule according to section 4.10. (Pg 68 of 2011 rules)				X	X	X	X	X	X
Pitching – Kids will start pitching at the beginning of the season. Kid pitchers will throw up to 4 pitches to each batter. Pitchers are able to pitch to a maximum of 12 players.			X						
Catchers are required to use a catchers mit.			X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pitching Machine – Managers must position themselves on the side or behind the pitching machine.		X							

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Players – Teams are allowed to start with 8 players without penalty – no mandatory out for 8 players.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Practice – Infield practice can be taken before a game Visitors go first, home second. Each team can take practice for 10 minutes.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Practice – Players and coaches shall not bat hard balls directly into the field fences or the batting cage fences. This is to prevent major field maintenance costs.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Time Limit- 1 ½ hour time limit – no new innings starting after 1 ½ hour. On Sat. the time limit will be 1 hour and 15 min. – no new innings starting after 1 hour and 15 min.			X						
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Time Limit- Monday – Friday 8:00pm (finish inning).				X	X	X	X		
Time Limit– No time limit for games during the week.								X	X
Time Limit – 1 hour and 45 min. time limit – no new innings starting after 1 hour and 45 minutes for games played during the weekend.				X	X	X	X	X	X
Coaches on the field will call the outs at the bases. (Umpires will be provided for the 8 Yr Old City Tournament).		X	X						

Other General Rules of Conduct:

1. Managers and coaches must remember that they are setting an example for all players.
2. Absolutely NO profanity will be allowed by players, managers, coaches or parents.
3. There is no tobacco allowed at the Ankeny Little League complex.
4. Managers are responsible for their team’s behavior while they are on the playing field.
5. Managers must keep players in the dugout during the game when the player is not participating, unless the player has left the game.
6. Each manager will control the conversation of his or her players toward the other team in a sportsman like manner. No derogatory chanting, etc. will be allowed. No direct gesturing (ex. clapping on the bases) intended to distract the pitcher will be tolerated.
7. Managers will not leave the dugout at any time without calling and receiving time-out from an umpire.
8. Managers will not allow any player to question an umpire’s decision or judgment.
9. The manager will always approach the umpire in a sportsman like manner.
10. Any umpire’s decision which involves judgment is final. No player, manager or coach shall object to a judgment decision. The manager should bring umpiring complaints to the Head Umpire AFTER the game. A complaint form must be completed.
11. If there is a reasonable doubt that any umpire’s decision may be in conflict with the rules, the manager may appeal the decision and ask that a correct ruling be made. The appeal shall be made only to the umpire who made the protested decision. The game may be protested, if the manager does not agree with the umpire’s interpretation of the rule, in the normal protest sequence, as in the Little League Rule Book.
12. The manager will cooperate with the umpires in an effort to control the conduct of the fans of family members and/or friends of their player’s team.

NOTE: The umpire may eject players in violation of these rules. The home plate umpire or any Board Member may eject a manager or coach or fans in violation of these rules.