Cedar Mill Little League Baseball A Rules

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1. Game Length

- a. Games shall last five innings or 1 hour and 30 minutes.
- b. Each inning will end after three outs or four runs scored.
- c. Game length is limited to 1 hour 30 minutes. No inning shall begin after one hour and 15 minutes from the scheduled start time.
- d. Each team will bat an equal number of times.
- e. Rainouts may be made up. It is both managers' responsibility to secure a field and time for make-up games. Times and fields must be reserved with the Division Coordinator.

2. Pitching and batting

- a. Coaches will pitch to their own team
- b. The coach/pitcher will sit on a bucket placed approximately 35' from home plate.
- c. The batter will be out after the fifth swinging strike, including fouls. Called strikes will not count.
- d. If a ball hits the coach or bucket, it is still in play.
- e. Both teams will bat their entire roster.

3. Base running

- a. A base runner called out will return to the bench.
- b. Base runners will not advance on overthrows.
- c. Base runners will not advance once a batted ball is returned to the infield after it has been in the outfield.
- d. Players will advance one base per hit (unless called out), unless the batted ball reaches the outfield at which time they may advance until the ball returns to the infield.
- e. No leading off, players will stay on the base until the ball is hit.
- f. No stealing.

4. Fielders

- a. Only nine players will play in the field at the same time.
- b. Each team will play with a catcher, a pitcher position, first baseman, second baseman, short stop, third baseman and three outfielders.
- c. Outfielders will play normal outfield positions and not play as "extra" infielders.

5. General Rules

- a. It is required that all players wear a protective cup
- b. There will be no official score kept.
- c. There will be no umpires. Coaches of the batting team will umpire their team when at bat.
- d. No "on deck" circle. The only player swinging a bat is the player who is currently up at the plate.
- e. Home team occupy first base dugout, Visitors occupy third base dugout.
- f. The home team will provide baseballs and the pitching bucket for the game.
- g. Coaches will be allowed to be in the outfield while their team is fielding.