



RANCHO NIGUEL LITTLE LEAGUE LOCAL PLAYING RULES FOR 2009

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III. GENERAL PLAYING RULES (Major's, AAA and AA)

- a. Little League Rule 3.03 is replaced with the following: Free substitution of players is permitted for all divisions of play. Pitchers once removed from the mound may not return as pitchers in the Majors division and Minor League. All players in the AA and Major divisions must play a minimum of nine (9) defensive outs and must bat at least once. All players in the AAA division must play a minimum of six (6) defensive outs and must bat at least once. The bottom of the last inning is assumed even if it is not played. If this rule is violated, the player will play the entire game the following game and the manager will be subject to penalties as described in the National Little League rules. A player arriving after the first pitch may be placed at the bottom of the batting order and must play (6) defensive outs.
- b. All players will be included in the batting order whether or not they are playing a defensive position.

IV. PITCHER LIMITATIONS

- a. AA, AAA and Major's will follow National Little League Pitching Regulation VI Option (1).
- b. In AA, pitchers are limited to two (2) innings max per game. One pitch constitutes one inning.

VI. SPECIAL MINOR LEAGUE (AAA and AA) PLAYING RULES

- a. The Mercy Rule shall not apply as it does in Majors. Instead, there is a five (5) run or "once-through the order" limit per inning, except for the 6th inning, or last inning as designated by the umpire. A total of more than five (5) runs may be counted in the 6th inning, or last inning as designated by the umpire but the teams are still limited to "once-through the order". A total of more than five (5) runs for an inning may be counted in the event of an over-the-fence home run or ground rule double.
- b. Stealing home shall not be permitted in AA. A player may not score from any base unless it follows a batted ball or the player is awarded home (e.g. walk, catcher's interference, obstruction, or batter hit by a pitch).
- c. There is no "infield fly" rule in AA.

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