

# DRY CREEK LITTLE LEAGUE

## SUPPLEMENTAL RULES

### 7-8 YEAR OLD DIVISION

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #1

This level of play is instructional. All players should have the opportunity to play all positions. Coaches should allow all players regardless of gender and/or ability to play all positions. To make sure this happens all coaches will exchange before the start of the game a defensive and offensive line-up. No player shall play a position more than 2 times per game. If a player does then the team will have to forfeit the game.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #2

Each batter will receive a maximum of ten (10) pitches. If, the batter has not made an attempt at the first five (5) pitches, on the tenth pitch, the batter does not put the ball in play, s/he is out. However, a foul ball on the tenth pitch will allow the batter additional pitches until s/he either puts the ball in play, or fails to hit the ball. All other rules concerning strikes, foul balls and declaring the batter out on strikes apply.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #3

Bunting is illegal. A batter who deliberately attempts to bunt will be warned and the pitch called a strike. If the batter attempts to bunt again anytime during the game, he will be out. A bunt on the 10th or following pitch will be an automatic out.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #4

Bass runners may not lead off or steal a base. A base runner may no leave the base s/he occupies until the batter hits the ball.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #5

Once a batter hits a ball into fair territory, the play ends when a player throws to the appropriate base. If there is an overthrow any runner who is more than half way to a base (except for first base) may continue to that base. Otherwise, the runner(s) will return to the base they just left. The umpire will make the final decision as to when the play is over by calling "Time". An umpire's decision is non-negotiable.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #6

Eight is the maximum number of runs which may be scored by a team in any of its first four at bats. Unlimited runs may be scored in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> innings. There is no free substitution in the batting order. You must bat **ALL** players present and continue to bat them in order.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #7

Ten (10) players may play on defense at any one time. The tenth player will play in the outfield for a total of 4 outfield positions. If a team has more than 10 eligible players, those players who did not play during the team's defensive half of an inning must play during the team's next defensive half inning.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #8

The time limit for games will be two hours. An inning cannot start after this point. If the time limit is reached while an inning is in progress, that half inning will be completed and the full inning will be completed if the home team is losing.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #9

If in the judgment of the umpire, a player is injured, the umpire will immediately stop play. Any base runner(s) who are attempting to progress to a subsequent base will be awarded that base.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #10

If after four innings, three and one-half if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of ten (10) runs or more, the coach of the team with the least runs has the option to concede victory to the opponent.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #11

An umpire will be furnished by the league. Please remember these umpires are teenagers and at times may make a mistake just like adults. Please do not harass or allow your parents to harass the umpires. If this does occur the umpire has been instructed to leave the field and call the league immediately. Disciplinary action may result to the coach or team due to unsportsmanlike conduct. An umpire's call is final and non-negotiable.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #12

Spectators are to remain a minimum of fifteen feet behind an imaginary line from the field. Spectators will not be allowed to bully or physically "crowd" any field line. It is the responsibility of each team to control spectators on their side of the field.

SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #13

The coach pitcher **will** only have **ONE** ball on the field at any time.

SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #14

Two base coaches will be allowed (first and third base line). Two field coaches will be allowed in the outfield.

SUPPLEMENTAL RULE #15

One of the offensive team's coaches will pitch overhand to his/her team's batters. The pitching distance will be 40 - 46' from the back of home plate to the front of the pitching rubber and the distance between bases will be 60'. The pitcher coach must remain neutral and cannot "coach" the runner. The pitcher coach may not field the ball and should make every attempt to avoid interfering with the players.