

Minors 6/7 Baseball

Rules: 2018 Spring

- Season shall be split into two halves. First half shall be coach pitch, then transitioning to machine pitch for the 2nd half.
- No new inning shall start after 1hr, 45 minutes
- A continuous batting lineup shall be utilized
- All players shall play at least two innings in the infield
- Ten run slaughter rule will not be utilized

Coach Pitch:

- Defensive Players: Ten (10) players may play defense at one time. No player shall sit the bench in consecutive innings. Infielders must play standard infield positions. All outfielders must play in the grass.
- Offensive Players: All players will be in the batting lineup at all times. The lineup shall be rotated every game in such that no player bats in the same place of the lineup.
- Batting: Offensive Coach will pitch 7 balls to the batter. If the last ball is fouled, the batter will continue to bat until they put the ball in play, misses, or doesn't swing.
- The coach pitcher should stand or kneel twenty feet from home plate while pitching
- A half inning will consist of three defensive outs or 5 runs, whichever comes first
- There shall be no bunting, base stealing, or running on overthrows
- The catchers position shall be utilized
- No player shall play the same position twice in one game. No player shall play the outfield in consecutive innings.

Machine Pitch:

- Pitching Machine shall be set at 46 feet from the back of home plate to the front of the machine. Speed shall be set to 34 mph. Pitching machines will be setup for each division and labeled accordingly
- The player pitcher will stand outside the pitchers circle and no closer than the front of the pitching machine. The ball is dead if it strikes the pitching machine or a coach on the field, or if it comes to rest inside the pitcher's circle. In the event of a dead ball, the batter is awarded first base and all other base runners advance one base.
- A coach from the hitting team will feed the pitching machine and call balls/strikes. Batter will not walk and will not be awarded first base if hit by a pitch.

- The batter will be out after three strikes. A batter will receive no more than 7 pitches in an “at bat”. A strike is a pitch that is swung at by the batter and is missed, or is fouled by the batter when there are fewer than two strikes; or touches the batter as the batter strikes at it. If the 7th or subsequent pitch is fouled, the batter will continue until he/she gets a hit or makes an out.
- Stealing and/or base stealing will not be allowed
- Base runners may, at their own risk, advance only one base on initial overthrow for a ball that remains in play. Runners may only advance one base for a ball ruled out of play
- Teams shall play with ten defensive players with the additional player positioned in the outfield. Two defensive coaches are allowed on the field positioned behind the outfielders.
- Infield fly rule will not be in effect

Equipment:

- Atlee Little League urges all male players to wear a protective cup. The use of a cup will be mandatory for all players playing the catchers position
- All batting helmets must have facemasks attached
- Catchers equipment must consist of helmet, chest protector and leg guards. The catchers helmet must have a dangling throat guard.
- No tee ball bats are to be used in this division as tee ball approved soft balls are not used in this division
- All bats should be USA Baseball approved