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8 YEAR OLDS RULES ADDENDUM- 2017

- 7 INNING GAME, 2 HOUR 20 MINUTE TIME LIMIT FOR A GAME
- \$70 UMPIRE FEES- SPLIT BY BOTH TEAMS
- 3 STEALS PERMITTED PER INNING- DELAYED STEAL ALLOWED AS A STEAL
- NO STEALING HOME- A PLAYER MAY INHERIT HOME PLATE ON CONTINUOUS PLAY ON A BATTED BALL OR BY BEING FORCED IN BY A WALK. IF A PLAYER ROUNDS 3RD BASE AND IS TAGGED OUT HE IS OUT. IF A PLAYER ROUNDS 3RD BASE AND MAKES IT HOME SAFELY HE IS TO RETURN TO 3RD BASE- NO PENALTY.
- MAXIMUM 5 RUNS PER INNING ALLOWED EXCEPT FOR LAST INNING WHERE THERE IS NO CAP ON RUNS ALLOWED. NOTE- IF THE UMPIRE DECLARES ANY INNING AS THE LAST INNING THEN THAT INNING HAS UNLIMITED RUNS. THE DECLARATION MUST BE DONE BEFORE THE AWAY TEAM BATS. ONCE THAT INNING IS DECLARED AS THE FINAL INNING THAT DECISION IS FINAL. IN ANY INNING WHERE THE THE RUN RULE IS MET, AND THERE IS STILL A PLAY IN PROGRESS, THE CAP IS STILL 5 RUNS BUT THE PLAY SHOULD CONTINUE TO THE END. THE ADDITIONAL RUNS WILL NOT COUNT.
- MERCY RULE IS 12 RUNS AFTER 4 INNINGS- NO SUDDEN DEATH- HOME TEAM MUST BE ALLOWED TO BAT IF NECESSARY.
- NO INFIELD FLY RULE
- 4 OUTFIELDERS PERMITTED- NO SHORT CENTER
- UNIVERSAL BATTING IS OPTIONAL
- IF A PLAYER LEAVES THE GAME EARLY AND THERE IS NO PLAYER TO REPLACE THAT PLAYER THERE IS NO OUT RECORDED FOR THE VACANT SPOT IN THE LINEUP.
- 42' DISTANCE FROM MOUND TO PLATE
- PLAY IS CONSIDERED DEAD WHEN THE PITCHER IS IN THE VICINITY OF THE PITCHERS MOUND AND HAS POSSESSION OF THE BALL.
- BUNTING IS ALLOWED-NO SLASH BUNTS ALLOWED. Penalty for SLASH BUNT is- batter is out.
- BAT ALLOWED- 2 ¼ ONLY. IF COMPOSITE, SEE NJBL APPROVED LIST.