

Local Rules for All Ages of Play Great Falls Little Leagues 2015

Sunflower Seeds and Gum have been banned during games and practices from all dugouts and playing fields on all Americans, Malmstrom, Riverside and Westside fields. This is a unanimous decision by all League Presidents and will be strictly enforced by umpires and league officials. Little League prohibits the use of tobacco and alcohol during league play

Profanity will not be tolerated.

GAME TIME LIMITS

- Tee Ball . . . 1 hour or 3 innings whichever comes first.
- Minor B Baseball & Softball. . . 1.5 hours or 5 innings whichever comes first.
- Minor A Baseball & Softball . . . 2 hours or 6 innings whichever comes first.
- Major Baseball & Softball . . . 6 innings
- Junior & Senior Baseball & Softball . . . 7 innings

ON SCHOOL NIGHTS

- No new inning can start after 8 p.m. for Tee Ball, Minors & Majors.
- No new inning can start after 8:30 p.m. for Juniors & Seniors.
- No game can continue past 9 p.m.

- ☐ It is the umpire's decision to call a game due to darkness or weather.
- ☐ LL rules dictating what a complete game is must be adhered to. If a game is not "completed" by time the limit for Majors, Juniors & Seniors or is called by umpire for darkness or weather, the game is suspended and will continue on the next day or next "agreed upon" day.
- ☐ **10 Run Rule** - If a team is losing by a score of 10 or more runs, the losing manager has the option to concede the game. The option to discontinue play due to a 10-run rule is strictly the option of the losing team only. *Exception: Minor A Baseball/Softball. The 10 run rule cannot be called unless the losing team has completed 3½ innings if they are the home team or 4 innings if they are the visiting team.*

☐ UMPIRES

Umpires for Minor A, Major, Junior & Senior Baseball and Minor A, Major, Junior and Senior Softball will be scheduled from a city wide pool of qualified and approved volunteers. Every attempt will be made to have umpires on each game. If none are available:

- ☐ Teams will be responsible for umpiring their own games. Each team must provide one volunteer to umpire if necessary.
- ☐ The Home team is responsible for the home plate umpire.
- ☐ The Visiting team is responsible for the field umpire. The field umpire shall position themselves behind first base in foul territory if there are no runners on the base. When there are runners on the bases they shall position themselves behind second base. They are responsible for making all calls on the bases.
- ☐ Each league has plate umpire equipment to loan upon request.

Cancelled Games:

If regular season games are cancelled or postponed due to weather, it is the home team coach that is responsible for rescheduling. The coaches of the teams involved must agree upon the date and time of the rescheduled game. Games are to be made up within one week. The game must be played on the field where originally scheduled, unless otherwise approved by both coaches involved and both league presidents. Saturday games are to be expected if weather cancels games during the week.

City Tournament Games will be rescheduled as necessary, by the League Presidents, to complete such tournament in a timely manner. Saturday and Sunday games and/or double header games could become necessary for the completion of the Great Falls City Tournament.

☐ **INCLEMENT WEATHER PHONE NUMBERS (after 4:30pm):**

Americans, 761-0642 Riverside, 590-1381
Malmstrom, 731-2422 Westside, 761-7525