

WEST BOYNTON BEACH BY LAWS and LOCAL GOVERNING RULES

WEST BOYNTON BEACH BY LAWS and LOCAL GOVERNING RULES: The Board of Directors (BOARD or BOD) of West Boynton Little League (WBLL) have adopted the following rules, regulations and procedures as the By-Laws of our local organization. The purpose of these By-Laws is to provide all members with the proper information on the rules and procedures that WBLL will follow during the Fall and Spring seasons. These By - Laws are subject to ratification yearly as each new board of directors takes office. Prior to the new board of directors approval of these By - Laws, they are subject to changes and or additions as required for the governing of WBLL. These By - Laws are not meant to replace Little League Inc rules, nor replace any portion of the WBLL constitution, they are meant only for clarification and guidance to existing policies, and procedures. WBLL will be guided by the "Little League Operating Manual" and the "Official Regulations and Playing Rules." If any part of these by-laws are found to conflict with current Little League rules and guidelines, the current BOARD may revise any portion of the By-laws as necessary.

1.00 MISSION STATEMENT:

The objective of the League shall be to firmly implant in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger, and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens. To achieve this objective the League will provide a supervised program under the rules and regulations set forth by the League. All Directors, Officers, and Members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance. WBLL exists to enable children to play baseball. It does not exist to cater to the egos of Managers, Coaches or Parents.

2.00 BOUNDARIES:

The boundaries of West Boynton Little League are:

Southern: North side of Boynton Beach Boulevard from the west side of Military Trail to the east side of 441.

Northern: South side of Hypoluxo Road east of Jog Road to the West side of Military Trail.

South side of Lantana Road from the west side of Jog Road to the east side of 441

* As of 12/14/05 - includes the Development of Winston Trails.

Eastern: West side of Military Trail from the south side of Hypoluxo Road to the north side of Boynton Beach Boulevard

Western: East side of 441 form the North side of Boynton Beach Boulevard to the south side of Lantana Road

3.00 REGISTRATION FEES:

\$95.00

WBLL will provide each player a hat, uniform shirt, a pair of socks and an end of the season participation trophy and / or award. Registration also includes Little League insurance coverage.

Registration fees may increase or decrease as determined by the BOD based upon the financial requirements of the league.

4.00 MEMBERSHIP:

Only members in good standing of West Boynton Little League are allowed to manage, coach, umpire, volunteer, become members of the BOARD, or be team parents.

4.01 How to become a member:

As stated in the Constitution Article III - 2b: "Regular members of the league automatically include all current Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, Board Members, Officers of the Board and any other person who is recognized by the Board as a volunteer in the Local League, includingTeam Parent."

4.02 How long does a membership last?:

Membership in the league begins at the beginning of the fall season and ends the following year after the yearly meeting that is held in August.

4.03 Membership form:

The League shall create a membership form that each member shall fill out and submit to the league. The form shall include at the following: Name, address, phone number, division, team name, position, and approval line for the President.

5.00 BOARD MEETINGS:

Meetings of the WBLL Board of Directors shall normally be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Special meetings may be held at anytime as the situation demands. Changes to the normal meeting dates can be made, if required, due to WBLL scheduling.

6.00 BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOARD) POSITIONS: ELECTED AND APPOINTED

6.01 PRESIDENT

Voting member

- 1 Presides at League meetings, and assumes full responsibility for the operation of the league
- 2 Presides over all committees to which he is a member.
- 3 Shall serve on Executive committee, By-Law committee, and on all committees as outlined under the committee membership section.
- 4 Receives all mail, supplies, and other communications from Little League International
- 5 Brief all league personnel on all phases of the rules, regulations, and policies.
- 6 Acts as contact between WBLL , Little League International, and District 7
- 7 Appoints **ALL** Managers, coaches, umpires, and committees. All appointments are subject to BOARD approval.
- 8 Represents WBLL at all District 7 meetings
- 9 Shall act as Tournament Director or designate an alternate person for all Tournaments held at WBLL.
- 10 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
- 11 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
- 12 Represents WBLL with PBC Parks and Recreation Department

6.02 VICE PRESIDENT

Voting Member

- 1 Presides at League meetings in the absence of the President
- 2 Works with other officers and committee members
- 3 Is ex-officio member of all committees, including Executive Committee, and on all committees as outlined

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under the committee membership section.

- 4 Carries out such duties and assignments as may be delegated by the President.
 - 5 Chairs committee for Opening Day
 - 6 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 7 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 8 In charge of organizing all Tournament Team affidavits, including but not limited to reviewing affidavits, reviewing Tournament Books, keeping accurate records of all Tournament players, and collecting affidavits once a tournament team is eliminated.
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6.03 SECRETARY

Voting member

- 1 Maintains register of members and directors
 - 2 Records the minutes of meetings and disseminates same to all board members within 7 calendar days
 - 3 Sends out notice of meetings
 - 4 Drafts all correspondence as directed by the President or BOARD
 - 5 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 6 Shall disseminate BY-LAWS to the BOARD
 - 7 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 8 Shall serve on Executive Committee, and on all committees as outlined under the committee membership section.
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6.04 TREASURER

Voting member

- 1 Dispenses league funds as approved by the BOARD
 - 2 Reports on the status of league funds at every regular scheduled meeting of the BOARD. Reports SHALL include, as a minimum, a copy of the bank statement from all accounts, a check register listing all debits and deposits since the last report. All debits will list the check number or that it was a debit card, the purpose of the debit and the amount. All deposits shall list the source of the funds, and the amount.
 - 3 Maintains WBLL financial records
 - 4 Shall prepare and maintain the WBLL budget
 - 5 Shall prepare a financial statement for the President to present at the Annual Membership Meeting.
 - 6 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 7 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 8 Shall serve on Executive Committee, and on all committees as outlined under the committee membership section.
 - 9 Shall prepare a financial statement at the end of the fiscal year. The treasurer shall provide to the Leagues' tax accountant all of the information necessary for the proper filing of IRS tax return. The financial statement and the IRS tax return shall be provided to the Board for approval within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. A copy of both items shall be sent to Little League International, and the District 7 Administrator within seven days of the Boards approval.
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6.05 PLAYER AGENT

Voting member

- 1 Represents all players in the league
 - 2 Conducts registration
 - 3 Conducts annual tryouts / All Star Evaluations
 - 4 Conducts annual draft. Maintains the list of all players eligible for the draft. Supervises all trades.
 - 5 Presents a budget to the BOARD for the cost of Evaluations.
 - 6 Evaluates the ability of all players, when requested by the team Manager or parents, to determine the skill level of the player involved. It is the Player Agents decision (with BOARD approval) as to whether a player should play down or up a division. Safety of all players shall be the primary concern in the evaluation. Needs of the league may also be a factor in the decision.
 - 7 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 8 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 9 Shall serve on the Disciplinary Review Committee
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6.06 SAFETY OFFICER

Voting member

- 1 Coordinates all safety activities and ensures that all volunteers know and understand the proper procedures when injuries occur.
- 2 Ensures Safety in player training
- 3 Ensures Safe playing conditions. Includes attending PBC field conditions class sometimes referred to as "squishy class".
- 4 Ensures that all injuries are reported on an accident / injury report form. Maintains the League records on accidents and injuries. Will present at the BOARD meetings a written report to be presented to the Secretary for inclusion in the minutes, a listing of all accidents, and causes thereof since the last BOARD meeting.

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Report should include any actions taken to prevent the accident from recurring.

- 5 Ensures that all accident / injury report forms are sent to Little League, Inc and to the District 7 Safety Officer within 72 hours of the accident.
- 6 Maintains League Safety Manual. Includes creating, updating, printing, publishing, and dissemination of the Manual.
- 7 Ensures that the League Safety Manual is completed by February 1st. The Manual shall be presented to the BOARD for review. Upon completion and approval by the BOARD, the manual shall be presented to the District 7 Safety Officer for submittal to the District Administrator, by February 15th, who will then submit the Manual to Little League, Inc.
- 8 Reviews all volunteer forms for accurate information. Charged with conducting background checks on all volunteers, currently through the Choice Point system. Background checks must be conducted at least once a year (Spring and Fall) on each volunteer. Maintains up to date list of all volunteers who have passed their background checks, and copies of those results.
- 9 Ensure that each team bag includes one (1) properly stocked 1st aid kit, and that a 1st aid kit is located, and properly stocked in the concession stand, and the equipment store room.
- 11 Will review with the President the background information on all Managers, Coaches, Umpires, Team Parents, and Volunteers. ALL information obtained is confidential unless the President selects a volunteer for a position as listed above. The Safety officer MUST inform the President and the BOARD of any person whose background check reveals a conviction or guilty plea for any crime involving or against a minor. Any negative comments found on a background check must be discussed with the President and the BOARD.
- 12 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
- 13 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
- 14 Works with the Player Agent in player ability evaluation

6.10 CHIEF UMPIRE

Voting member

- 1 Organize, solicit, train, schedule and supervise all persons acting in the capacity of "umpire" at the WBLL park.
- 2 Co-ordinate with the District 7 "Chief Umpire" as the representative for WBLL in the capacity of "Umpire Consultant."
- 3 Co-ordinate with the District 7 Chief Umpire regarding any and all umpires requirements for use during any tournament games.
- 4 May designate up to 2 persons per season to receive league reimbursement for umpire uniforms. Consideration should be given to those persons who will be involved in the League for a period of time, and who will be available for umpire duties during tournaments.
- 5 Shall maintain an inventory list of umpire equipment, and shirts required for the WBLL umpires.
- 6 Shall submit a budget to the treasurer for the anticipated umpire equipment, and replacement uniform requirements
- 7 Shall maintain the record of games for umpire assignments. This list shall be turned into the treasurer in a timely manner at the end of each season to allow the treasurer to review and obtain gift cards. The Chief umpire is responsible for handing out the gift cards, and ensuring that each card has a signed receipt. Any cards not distributed must be returned to the treasurer with the receipt sheet.
- 8 Maintains records of umpire schedules to present to the BOARD for "Thank you - Gift Certificates."
- 9 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
- 10 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.

6.07 INFORMATION OFFICER

Non Voting Member

- 1 Maintains WBLL website. The actual maintenance of the site may be delegated to another volunteer, however, this shall not relieve the Information Officer of the websites responsibility.
- 2 Maintains WBLL "Group Call" system, and disseminate information to the League as required.
- 3 Maintains WBLL League player database
- 4 Ensures that the league rosters are uploaded or mailed to Little League, Inc
- 5 Collects, posts, and distributes important information on league activities
- 6 Works in conjunction with the DVP's of each division to set up, maintain, and disseminate the League practice schedule, and season game schedule.
- 7 Shall maintain all original copies the player registration. Shall provide all DVPs with a copy of the player registration for their respective divisions. It is the DVP's responsibility to give the copy of the registration form to each manager after the draft. Email is acceptable.
- 8 Responsible for creating, organizing, and "publishing" the Leagues Spring brochure. The brochure shall include as a minimum the Board of Directors listing, team rosters, list of managers, coaches, team parents, game schedules, and list of sponsors with their advertising.
- 9 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
- 10 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
- 11 Shall ensure that the Player Agent, and DVPs have the necessary information in regards to player numbers,

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and ages to conduct the draft.

12 Maintain online registration.

6.08 COACHING COORDINATOR Non Voting Member

- 1 Represents Managers and Coaches in the League
 - 2 Presents a Manager/Coach training budget to the BOARD
 - 3 Coordinates and schedules clinics in the Fall and Spring seasons for Managers and Coaches.
 - 4 Records and maintains the list of Managers and Coaches who have attended the coaching clinics.
 - 5 Ensures that all Managers and Coaches have attended the required clinics and training at least once per year. The required year begins Spring then Fall.
 - 6 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 7 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 8 Shall serve on Disciplinary Review Committee
 - 9 Maintain a record of each Manager and Coach that includes any disciplinary actions, parent evaluations, and letters of recommendations.
 - 10 Shall ensure that a list is created and turned into the President, Secretary, and Information Officer, listing the manager, coaches and team parent of each team in the league. This list shall be added to the minutes of 1st Board meeting after it is completed. It is his / her responsibility to inform the BOARD, of any changes to this list.
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6.09 AUXILIARY PRESIDENT Non Voting Member

- 1 Responsible for soliciting bids for the purchase of uniforms, trophies, medallions, Little League patches and any other items as directed by the BOARD for the League. Informs BOARD as to options available.
 - 2 Orders and then follows up on orders placed for the League.
 - 3 Co-ordinates, organizes, solicits (with the help of all BOARD members), sponsors for the League.
 - 4 Works with the League Information Officer to provide the sponsorship information required for addition into all League brochures.
 - 5 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 6 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
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6.11 EQUIPMENT MANAGER Non Voting Member

- 1 Shall maintain a list of all League equipment, and shall inventory items located both off site and in the equipment storeroom, located at the park.
 - 2 Recommend to the BOARD inventory replacement with proposed budgetary cost.
 - 3 Maintain League team equipment bags
 - a Inventory each bag for completeness and the safety condition of the equipment.
 - b At the beginning of the each season, hand out a bag to each team Manager, recording division, team name, team number, and Manager.
 - c Hand out practice and game balls for each season
 - d Collect deposit checks from team Managers and turn them in to the treasurer.
 - e At the end of the season: collect each team bag, inventory contents, check for damage or missing items. Return deposit checks if applicable.
 - f Return bags to offsite storage location.
 - 4 Repeat above procedure three (3) for each tournament team.
 - 5 Maintain cleanliness, and organization of equipment store room.
 - 6 Order and arrange for delivery or pickup of line marking dust and "quick dry" as necessary.
 - 7 Maintain equipment located in the equipment room.
 - 8 Ensures Safe playing conditions. Includes attending PBC field conditions class sometimes referred to as "squishy class".
 - 9 Tournaments: Shall be in charge of the fields during all tournaments to ensure that they are raked and striped prior to the each game. Shall appoint as necessary a committee of volunteers to be the "Field Crew."
 - 10 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 11 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
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6.12 DVP - JUNIOR / SENIOR Non Voting Member

- 1 Manage the division based upon the WBLL Mission Statement.
- 2 Act as liaison between the BOARD and the Managers and Coaches.
- 3 Disseminate all information from the BOARD to each team ensuring that the Manager, coaches, players and parents are being kept informed with pertinent information.
- 4 Ensure that all teams are complying with the rules and regulations of both WBLL and Little League, Inc
- 5 Ensure that all volunteers have complied with BOARD requirements for background checks, clinics, roster updates, membership forms, and rules and regulations as set forth by both WBLL, WBLL By-Laws, and Little League, Inc.
- 6 Act as liaison between WBLL, the Chief Umpire, other leagues, and District 7 staff during interleague play.
- 7 Maintain and disseminate pitch count information to each manager.

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- 8 Disseminate BY-LAWS to all Managers.
 - 9 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 10 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 11 Shall require that coaches report scores and the players pitch count record on a weekly basis. The DVP is responsible for reviewing the pitchers records to ensure compliance with WBLL BOARD of directors rules and Little League's rules.
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6.13 DVP - MAJORS Non Voting Member

- 1 Manage the division based upon the WBLL Mission Statement.
 - 2 Act as liaison between the BOARD and the Managers and Coaches.
 - 3 Disseminate all information from the BOARD to each team ensuring that Manager, coaches, players and parents are being kept informed with pertinent information.
 - 4 Ensure that all teams are complying with the rules and regulations of both WBLL and Little League, Inc
 - 5 Ensure that all volunteers have complied with BOARD requirements for background checks, clinics, roster updates, membership forms, and rules and regulations as set forth by both WBLL, WBLL By-Laws, and Little League, Inc.
 - 6 Act as liaison between WBLL, the Chief Umpire, other leagues, and District 7 staff during interleague play.
 - 7 Maintain and disseminate pitch count information to each manager.
 - 8 Disseminate BY-LAWS to all Managers.
 - 9 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 10 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 11 Shall require that coaches report scores and the players pitch count record on a weekly basis. The DVP is responsible for reviewing the pitchers records to ensure compliance with WBLL BOARD of directors rules and Little League's rules.
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6.14 DVP - MINORS Non Voting Member

- 1 Manage the division based upon the WBLL Mission Statement.
 - 2 Act as liaison between the BOARD and the Managers and Coaches.
 - 3 Disseminate all information from the BOARD to each team ensuring that Manager, coaches, players and parents are being kept informed with pertinent information.
 - 4 Ensure that all teams are complying with the rules and regulations of both WBLL and Little League, Inc
 - 5 Ensure that all volunteers have complied with BOARD requirements for background checks, clinics, roster updates, membership forms, and rules and regulations as set forth by both WBLL, WBLL By-Laws, and Little League, Inc.
 - 6 Create and disseminate WBLL modified rules for the division, once the rules have BOARD approval.
 - 7 Maintain and disseminate pitch count information to each manager.
 - 8 Disseminate BY-LAWS to all Managers.
 - 9 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 10 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 11 Shall require that coaches report scores and the players pitch count record on a weekly basis. The DVP is responsible for reviewing the pitchers records to ensure compliance with WBLL BOARD of directors rules and Little League's rules.
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6.15 DVP - COACH PITCH Non Voting Member

- 1 Manage the division based upon the WBLL Mission Statement.
 - 2 Act as liaison between the BOARD and the Managers and Coaches.
 - 3 Disseminate all information from the BOARD to each team ensuring that Manager, coaches, players and parents are being kept informed with pertinent information.
 - 4 Ensure that all teams are complying with the rules and regulations of both WBLL and Little League, Inc
 - 5 Ensure that all volunteers have complied with BOARD requirements for background checks, clinics, roster updates, membership forms, and rules and regulations as set forth by both WBLL, WBLL By-Laws, and Little League, Inc.
 - 6 Create and disseminate WBLL modified rules for the division, once the rules have BOARD approval.
 - 7 Disseminate BY-LAWS to all Managers.
 - 8 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
 - 9 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.
 - 10 Shall require that coaches report scores on a weekly basis.
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6.16 DVP - TEE BALL Non Voting Member

- 1 Manage the division based upon the WBLL Mission Statement.
- 2 Act as liaison between the BOARD and the Managers and Coaches.
- 3 Disseminate all information from the BOARD to each team ensuring that Manager, coaches, players and

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parents are being kept informed with pertinent information.

- 4 Ensure that all teams are complying with the rules and regulations of both WBLL and Little League, Inc
- 5 Ensure that all volunteers have complied with BOARD requirements for background checks, clinics, roster updates, membership forms, and rules and regulations as set forth by both WBLL, WBLL By-Laws, and Little League, Inc.
- 6 Create and disseminate WBLL modified rules for the division, once the rules have BOARD approval.
- 7 Disseminate BY-LAWS to all Managers.
- 8 Shall be an active participant in all tournaments held at the WBLL fields. Including but not limited to scorekeeper, umpire, field maintenance, pitch count recorder, "runner", or any other duties required by the Tournament director.
- 9 Shall assist all BOARD members in carrying out their duties - at a minimum during registration, evaluations, opening day, equipment hand out, equipment collection and equipment inventory.

THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH OF THE POSITIONS ON THE BOARD MAY BE ADJUSTED, OR ALTERED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDENT OR THE BOARD.

7.00 COMMITTEES:

7.01 BY LAW COMMITTEE:

The President of the League will appoint a Committee of no less than (5) nor more than 8 members on a yearly basis that will function as an ad-hoc committee. The ad-hoc committee will review the by-laws and recommend changes as needed. The Board of Directors will review and alter if necessary any proposals for changes.

7.02 DISCIPLINARY REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Executive Committee Members, Player Agent, Coaching Coordinator, and the DVP of the respective division.

7.03 DISTRICT COMMITTEE:

The Board of Directors may appoint a District Committee consisting of the WBLL President as chairman and two (2) other Directors. The Committee shall assist the District Administrator in interleague district functions including the selection of members of the District Administrator's Advisory Committee and the selection of tournament sites and area tournament directors.

7.04 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer

7.05 PROTEST COMMITTEE:

The Executive Committee together with the DVP of the respective division, will be responsible for the application of rules interpretation. The President shall chair the committee.

8.00 INJURY POLICY:

Refer to West Boynton Beach Little League Safety Manual.

9.00 SPONSORSHIPS:

All sponsors are greatly appreciated. Sponsoring a team entitles each sponsor to a team plaque, their name and logo on the team uniform, and an advertisement in the Spring Player Brochure. Sponsorship does **NOT** entitle parents or players to any special treatment in regards to selection as Managers, Coaches, team placement, or provide preferential treatment for vendors at the field.

10.00 EQUIPMENT POLICY:

Equipment will be handed out to each Manager at the beginning of each season. The equipment is required to be returned at the end of the season at the time and place designated by the Equipment Manager. A refundable deposit (the amount of which shall be determined by the BOD) must be paid by the Manager when the equipment is received, and it will be returned when the equipment is returned. The deposit check will not be cashed unless equipment is not returned in a timely manner, the equipment is lost or stolen, or if in the opinion of the Equipment Manager, the equipment has been abused beyond normal wear and tear. We understand that kids will be using the equipment, and that **normal** wear and tear is to be expected during the season of use.

Each equipment bag shall contain the following:

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| Tee Ball: | (1) | One (1) Batting Tee |
| | (2) | One (1) Tee Ball Bat |
| | (3) | One (1) helmet with face shield |
| | (4) | Three (3) batting helmets |
| | (5) | Two (2) dozen (#53) Tee Ball Baseballs |
| | (6) | One (1) 1st aid kit |
| | (7) | One (1) Little League Rules and Regulations booklet |
| Coach Pitch: | (1) | One (1) catcher's mitt |
| | (2) | One (1) catcher's helmet with throat guard |
| | (3) | One (1) catcher's chest protector |
| | (4) | One (1) set catcher's shin guards |
| | (5) | Two (2) batting helmets |
| | (6) | One (1) helmet with face shield |
| | (7) | Two (2) dozen (#79) practice baseballs |
| | (8) | One and a half (1-1/2) dozen (#76) game baseballs |
| | (9) | One (1) 1st aid kit |
| | (10) | One (1) Little League Rules and Regulations booklet |
| Minors: | (1) | One (1) catcher's mitt |

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419		(3)	One (1) catcher's chest protector
420		(4)	One (1) set catcher's shin guards
421		(5)	Two (2) batting helmets
422		(6)	Two (2) dozen (#79) practice baseballs
423		(7)	One and a half (1-1/2) dozen (#76) game baseballs
424		(8)	One (1) 1st aid kit
425		(9)	One (1) Little League Rules and Regulations booklet
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427	Majors:	(1)	One (1) catcher's mitt
428		(2)	One (1) catcher's helmet with throat guard
429		(3)	One (1) catcher's chest protector
430		(4)	One (1) set catcher's shin guards
431		(5)	Two (2) batting helmets
432		(6)	Two (2) dozen (#79) practice baseballs
433		(7)	Two (2) dozen (#76) game baseballs
434		(8)	One (1) 1st aid kit
435		(9)	One (1) Little League Rules and Regulations booklet
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437	Juniors / Seniors:	(1)	One (1) catcher's mitt
438		(2)	One (1) catcher's helmet with throat guard
439		(3)	One (1) catcher's chest protector
440		(4)	One (1) set catcher's shin guards
441		(5)	Two (2) batting helmets
442		(6)	Four (4) dozen (#73) practice / game baseballs
443		(7)	One (1) 1st aid kit
444		(8)	One (1) Little League Rules and Regulations booklet
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The league shall provide a left handed catchers mitt on a as needed basis to the Juniors division and above. The league shall maintain an inventory of mitts in the press box that can be used as needed for an individual game for the majors division and below.

11.00 MANAGER / COACH SELECTION:

- 1 The President of West Boynton Little League will appoint all Managers and Coaches. The President may, if he desires, form a committee to gather input for his selection. The committee should contain as a minimum the DVP's of the respective divisions. The committee may also include anyone required by the constitution, or whomever the President may select. The President is under no obligation to discuss his choices. The committee (i.e. DVP) must give the list of possible manager / coach candidates to the safety officer prior to any meeting with the President, so that each selection can be reviewed prior to the Presidents selection
- 2 **NO MANAGER, COACH, OR UMPIRE, HAS TENURE REGARDLESS OF YEARS OF SERVICE.**
- 3 The President will meet with the Safety Officer to discuss his selections, and obtain background check information. All information disclosed will be confidential.
- 4 The President will present his selectee's to The Board for approval. The Board will approve or disapprove the Presidents selection. The President at his discretion may submit his list of Manager and Coaches as a group or individually for approval. The President must inform the board of any negative information obtained on the background checks of a Manager or Coach selectee prior to any voting. The President is under no obligation to discuss the reasons for his selections. Any negative information discovered by the Safety Officer and discussed with the President will be confidential unless the President puts forth such person as a Manager or Coach selectee.
- 5 Upon Board approval of Managers, the President will delegate to the DVP's of each division the responsibility for contacting the Managers to set up each team.
- 6 ALL managers and coaches **MUST** umpire a minimum of **two (2) games** (bases or plate) during the season as scheduled by the Chief Umpire. Failure to meet that requirement automatically removes the manager or coach from consideration for All Star Manager, and for any manager or coach position the following recreation season. This applies to Coach Pitch Division and above. A minimum of four games must be umpired to qualify for the certificate. The BOARD has the right to waive this requirement on a case by case basis if required.

DVP's: Once the draft or player selection (fall player selection procedure) is completed and player selections are made, the DVP will contact the team Manager and obtain his request for Coaches. The DVP will submit the list of Coach candidates to the President prior to the next Board meeting. This list must be submitted with sufficient time to allow the President to research the selectee, and to obtain background check information. It is the DVP's responsibility to ensure that all Managers and Coaches who are submitted for consideration have complied with all required rules of the Board. (i.e.. attended Coach Clinic.) The DVP shall ensure that the Coaching Coordinator has a complete list by team in his division, regarding managers, coaches, and team parents.

11.01 Manager / Coach Responsibilities:

- 1 Any person selected to the position of Manager or Coach assumes the responsibility for the safety and welfare of the players selected for his or her team, and the conduct of their parents. All Managers and Coaches must review, understand and agree with the Mission Statement as set forth by the league. The actions of the Manager and Coaches must be above reproach.
- 2 **THERE WILL BE NO SMOKING AT THE PARK. DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT THE PARK.**
- 3 The manager is responsible for adhering to the requests of the Board of Directors and DVP's regarding paperwork needed to the operation of the league. This shall include as a minimum player update information, volunteer information, game scores, pitch count information and any other information required.

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- 4 All managers and coaches MUST adhere to the Board requirement for attendance at coach clinics. Failure to attend the required clinic is cause for removal as a manager or coach. Failure to provide all required information for background check information is cause for removal as a manager or coach.

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490 **11.02 Team Volunteers** Each team shall consist of the following volunteers who MUST be approved by the WBLL President and BOARD:
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492	Tee Ball: Manager	Coach Pitch: Manager	Minors: Manager
493	Two (2) Coaches	Two (2) Coaches	Two (2) Coaches
494	Team Parent	Team Parent	
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496	Majors: Manager	Juniors: Manager	Seniors: Manager
497	Two (2) Coaches	Two (2) Coaches	Two (2) Coaches
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499 Other people may volunteer to help the manager with aspects of running the team. However, only those persons approved by the President and the
 500 BOARD shall be considered volunteers for membership purposes.
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502 **12.00 BACKGROUND CHECKS:**

- 503 1 Background checks obtained in the Spring Season are good through the Fall Season of the same year. All Background checks obtained in the Fall
 504 season are only valid for the Fall season.
- 505 2 A background check is required for all WBLL volunteers and vendors. All volunteers and vendors must completely fill out the Little League
 506 volunteer application, provide a copy of their driver's license, and provide their social security number.
- 507 3 Conducting a background check on a volunteer does not constitute automatic membership into the league.
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509 **13.00 TEAM SELECTION**

510 Age Groups:

511 It is the policy of WBLL for players to play within their respective age division. The Player Agent may approve a players request to play "down"
 512 based upon ability or experience. Requests to play "up" to a higher division must be approved by the Board. The Player Agent and Safety officer
 513 will review the players ability and make their recommendation to the Board. Approval shall only be granted in extreme cases for safety issues, or
 514 because of the need in the upper divisions for additional players.
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Age Divisions		
516 Tee Ball	Age 5 and 6	League age will be determined using Little League Inc guidelines.
517 Coach Pitch	Age 7 and 8	
518 Minors	Age 9 and 10	
519 Majors	Age 11 and 12	
520 Juniors	Age 13 and 14	
521 Seniors	Age 15 and 16	
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523 Determining League Age:

- 524 Fall: Age on April 30th of the following year.
- 525 Spring: Age on April 30th of the current year (the year the player will be playing.)
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527 **13.01 Fall Season:** Teams will be selected by the respective divisional DVP's. DVP's must discuss team selections with the Player Agent for his approval.
 528 Prior to announcement of teams, DVP's will hold a meeting with the managers to go over team selections. Trading of players will be
 529 allowed at this time with the approval of the Player Agent, and DVP. The primary purpose of the team selection is to create parity
 530 among the teams. Special requests by parents will be honored by the DVP if possible keeping in mind the primary purpose of team
 531 parity.

532 **13.02 Spring Season:** Team selection is made by draft. The draft will be conducted after player evaluations.

533 Evaluations:

- 534 1 Evaluations are required for the following divisions: Coach Pitch, Minors, Majors, and Juniors, and Seniors.
- 535 2 Evaluations are not required for Tee Ball. Tee Ball team selection will follow the fall team selection process.
- 536 3 WBLL will provide an independent evaluator for the evaluations.
- 537 4 Selection of Managers must be determined prior to evaluations. It is the Managers responsibility to attend the evaluations, Should the
 538 Manager be unable to attend the evaluations, he may designate someone to act in his stead. Only one official evaluator from each team
 539 will be sanctioned during the evaluation.
- 540 5 The Player Agent will compile the list of players within each division who will attend tryouts.
- 541 6 Attendance at the initial or the secondary evaluation is mandatory. Players who do not attend the evaluation may not be eligible for the
 542 draft during the initial rounds. The names of players who do not attend the evaluations will be placed into a random draw selection.
 543 The Board may at its discretion assign scores to a player if they feel that it is in the best interest of the League or draft process.
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- 545 7 It is the responsibility of the DVP of each division to contact any player who does not attend the initial evaluation for their respective
 546 age group to remind them of any secondary evaluations. Should a player not attend the secondary evaluation the DVP shall contact the
 547 parent of each player to ensure that that player will still be participating in the draft and the little league season. The DVP shall report
 548 to the Player Agent in both cases.
- 549 8 Any player who signs up after the draft may be placed on a team by the player agent after consulting with the DVP for the needs of the
 550 division. The Player Agent may place the player on **any** team he feels has the most need. The player agent will take into account the
 551 new players ability, and each teams individual requirements. Although the order of the draft may be considered by the player agent, he
 552 is under no obligation to place a player on a team based upon draft order.
- 553 9 The Board reserves the right to stop registration after the draft on a by division basis.
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554 **14.00 DRAFT:**

555 **DATE:** The MAJORS Division draft shall be conducted a minimum of 5 days prior to the draft of any other division.

556 **NOTE:**

- 557 1 Majors Division: The purpose of the Majors Division draft is to provide a minimum of 12 players per team. The number of teams will
 558 be decided by the Board. It is the responsibility of the Board to select the number of teams required to minimize the impact on the

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minors divisions. In order to maintain the required number of players in the majors division, managers may be allowed to pull players up from the minor division. The number of players being allowed to "move up" must be made known to all managers prior to evaluations if possible so that managers may watch the minor division evaluations.

- 2 Once the number of players moving up has been determined, the minor division player may selected during any round. Once a minor division player is selected he shall be contacted by the Manager. Should the player pass on the opportunity to move up to the majors division, he will not be eligible to play on any other major division team for that season. The manager, working through the Player Agent, may then select another player from the pool available.
- 3 Once all teams have been finalized. The player agent will inform the DVP and the managers of the Minors division of the players now available for the draft. This will help to reduce the disruption to that division should players be "moved up" after the draft.
- 4 The son or daughter of a Manager in the Minors division is NOT eligible to be moved up unless approved by the Board and Player Agent, prior to the evaluations, and a suitable Manager can be found as a replacement should it become necessary.

PROCESS:

Conduct of the draft process is the responsibility of the Player Agent. The Player Agent will provide guidelines, written instructions, and player selection sheets.

DVP

- 1 The DVP of each division will conduct a pre draft meeting with the managers of their division. They will inform the Player Agent and President of the meeting date and time. The President and Player Agent have the option to attend the meeting should they desire. The purpose of the meeting is to ensure all Managers know the date of the draft, and understand the procedures that will be followed during the draft. They shall be given written instructions (prepared by the Player Agent), regarding the draft. If there are changes to the approved Manager list, the President, Player Agent, and the Board must be informed immediately.
- 2 Each Manager or Representative must be prompt and prepared to expedite the draft. (No players are allowed at the draft). Team draft numbers will be chosen by a random lottery. All special circumstances must be discussed prior to the draft, no exceptions. Managers are not allowed to exchange their team draft numbers, unless the Player Agent allows this option for all divisions.
- 3 A Manager's son or daughter must be frozen (protected) by the Manager/Father. (**NO EXCEPTIONS**). **WBLL** guidelines shall be followed in regards to the round a player is frozen (protected).
- 4 There will be **NO** protection of coaches in the Junior / Senior, Majors, or Minors divisions. The coach pitch division may have only one protected coach if recommended by the DVP and approved by the BOARD. Tee Ball has no draft so requests may be honored as long as team parity is maintained.

WBLL Current guidelines for player protection:

League age	Round	League age	Round
7	5	11	4
8	4	12	3
9	5	13	4
10	4	14	3

ROUNDS

- 6 The draft round will be conducted as follows: The example shown below is based upon an eight (8) team division.

Round #	1st Pick	2nd Pick	3rd Pick	4th Pick	5th Pick	6th Pick	7th Pick	8th Pick
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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This selection process shall continue until all players have been selected.

- 1 The Player agent will record for each player the team chosen, and the round selected.
- 2 There will be a time limit of one (1) minute per pick and it will be enforced. Failure to make a selection within the time limit will cause the pick to be moved to the end of the round.
- 3 Trading will be allowed at the end of the draft. Each manager may only offer 2 trades. However, they may be involved in more. Any drafts offered or accepted must be for players selected within a range of one round of the player asked for (i.e. 1 up, the same, or 1 down.)
- 4 Trades will not be allowed for any reason once the player agent has closed the draft.
- 5 Under **NO** circumstances will managers discuss the draft with anyone regarding players draft location.
- 6 DVP's will provide all Managers a copy of the player registration sheet, or an information sheet with all of the pertinent information required for the manager to contact the players. Managers must contact their selected players within 2 days after the draft. Any player refusing to play for a particular Manager will be removed from the roster of the team and a refund will be given.

15.00 PARENT CODE OF ETHICS

16.00 MANAGER / COACH CODE OF ETHICS

Each parent is required to read and sign the parent code of ethics. The Board has adopted a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY regarding behavior at the fields.

Each Manager / Coach is required to read and sign the manager / coach code of ethics. The Board has adopted a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY regarding behavior at the fields and during games.

DISCIPLINE

The penalties listed below are meant to clarify the Boards position on penalties. This does not replace nor supersede the penalties that are imposed by Little League International, or District 7. This includes but is not limited to actions during games regarding treatment of umpires, comments made during the game within hearing of parents and players, and failure to control parents and players.

Pitch Count Violation: The following penalties shall be imposed for violation of WBLL pitch count policy. The manager of the team is

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628 responsible for the actions of the team whether or not he is present.

629 1st violation: The Manager shall be suspended the following game.

630 2nd violation: The Manager shall be suspended for three games.

631 3rd violation: The Manager shall be suspended for the remainder of the season, barred from becoming a manager or
632 coach the following season, and automatically become ineligible for consideration as an All Star Manager, Coach or
633 Board Member.

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636 Field behavior: The following penalties may be imposed for violations of WBLL "Code of Ethics", and Little League Inc policies
637 regarding on field behavior. This includes treatment of umpires, and comments made during the game within the hearing of the player
638 and parents, and failure to maintain discipline among players and parents. Penalties may imposed upon managers, coaches, players,
639 parents or spectators.

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641 1st Violation The Manager, coach, player, parent, or spectator shall be suspended the following game.
642 2nd Violation The Manager, coach, player, parent, or spectator shall be removed from their position, or the
643 field for the reminder of the season. The ejected manager or coach shall be barred from
644 becoming a manager or coach the following season, and shall have their name removed from
645 consideration as All Star manager or coach.

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647 ANYONE suspended for a game, is not allowed to be at the next game or the park during the game.

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649 WBLL has zero tolerance for sports rage. Any person that threatens to attack or physically attacks another individual will be ejected
650 from the park and a criminal trespass order will be requested through police authorities to prohibit that individual's further entry. This
651 type of conduct has no place within our youth sports program and offenders will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

652 17.00 TOURNAMENTS: District and All Stars (International)

653 It is the intent of the WBLL Board of Directors to participate fully in all district and international tournaments at all age levels.

654 District

655 Fall: All teams are eligible to participate in the tournament, based upon current District guidelines.

656 Spring: Teams will participate based upon current District guidelines. Currently the levels are Coach Pitch, 9 year old team, 10
657 year old team, Majors strong team and Juniors strong team.

658 All Star Tournament teams

659 Spring Teams will participate based upon current Little League guidelines. Currently the levels are 9/10 year old team, 10/11
660 year old team, Little League, Juniors, and Seniors.

661 17.01

Selecting Managers and Coaches

Eligibility of Managers and Coaches shall follow Little League Guidelines.

662 Selection of Managers: Managers and coaches shall be selected from regular season team managers and / or coaches as listed below.
663 It is the intent of the BOARD, that manager selection is based upon current Little League Inc, guidelines.
664 Should Little League guidelines change, WBLL's guidelines will follow suit.

665 Coach Pitch: Coach Pitch Division
666 9-10 Division Minors or Majors Division
667 10-11 Division Minors or Majors Division
668 Little League Division Majors Division
669 Junior League Junior or Senior Division
670 Senior League Junior, Senior, or Big League Division

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676 1 Any Manager or Coach who desires to be the Manager of an all star team (does not include Division Strong teams), must
677 submit a letter to the Board expressing their desire to be considered for the position of Manager, and for the age division
678 that they wish to manage. The letter shall contain a statement and promise by the manager that he will fully commit his
679 time and efforts to the players, parents, and the League during the Little League Tournaments. He or she must make
680 known in the letter if there are any commitments that may require the Manager to give less than his full attention to the
681 League. He must also state that the League will be notified immediately should any changes develop after the letter is
682 submitted that may alter their commitment. Letters shall be submitted to the Board by the date required by the Board.
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684 2 The Board will gather all letters of request and review each candidate for the position of Manager. Once a list of
685 candidates if finalized, and approved, the President shall make the list of candidates known to all Managers and Coaches
686 to allow them time to consider the selectees. The Board reserves the right to remove the name (s) of any Manager or
687 Coach.
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689 3 The President, with the DVP's assistance shall call a meeting of all Managers and Coaches within the respective age group
690 / division. The Managers and Coaches shall then vote for their choice for All Star Manager. The votes shall be sealed
691 after the vote. The vote shall be counted by independent members of the Board and then the results sealed until the results
692 of the vote shall be made public (the date determined by the Board.)
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694 4 Manager votes shall be tabulated from highest to lowest.
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696 5 The Manager receiving the highest votes will be given his choice of teams to manage within the age division voted on.
The Manager receiving the 2nd highest votes will be given the next choice and so on. The Manager may chose from
District or International teams, (if applicable.)
- 6 As long as there are enough "qualified" candidates, NO Manager should be allowed to manage more than one All Star

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team. All candidates must be qualified in the opinion of the BOARD.

7 The BOARD reserves the right after the voting to remove a manager selectee, or to limit the offer of which team to manage.

17.02

Player Selection

District Teams		International	
Juniors	Strong Team	Juniors	See Below
Majors	Strong Team	Little League	See Below
10 year old	See below	11-10 yr old	See Below
9 year old	See below	10-9 yr old	District Voting Results
Coach Pitch	See below		

17.03

VOTING

DVP's will circulate a form to all teams for the parents of all eligible players interested in tournament play. The parents will be required to sign, and state yes or no for the availability of their child to play during the tournament. The form will include the anticipated start and finish dates for each tournament. The form must be returned to the DVP. The DVP will then turn the form into the Player Agent.

The Player Agent, and the Information Officer will create a ballot listing all eligible players for the respective age groups, (12,11,10, 9.), this does not include the Coach Pitch Division. Ballot sheets shall be created to allow for one (1) vote from the players, and one (1) vote from the Managers and Coaches. The Manager / Coach ballot should be designed to be different from the player ballot.

On the date of the vote, each player shall vote for players in his current division. In the Coach Pitch division the team Manager shall submit the name(s) of up to three (3) players (in lieu of voting). This vote (or Manager selection) shall be used to determine the players asked to attend the All Star Tryouts. Due to the impartiality of this type of selection, the DVP, President, or Player agent shall be given wildcard "Silver Bullets." "Silver bullets" are the ability to add players that in the opinion of the DVP, President or Player Agent that were overlooked in the selection process.

- 1 Any player who "plays up" will receive an automatic invitation to attend the tryouts for his or her age group. Except for players playing up to the Juniors Division.
- 2 JUNIORS DIVISION: Voting is not required in the Junior Division. All players shall be eligible for tryouts.
- 3 Votes shall be tabulated by neutral members of the Board of Directors. Results shall be sealed until the next Board meeting, where the results shall be opened, reviewed and approved.
- 4 The top 25 players will be asked to attend the All Star Tryout. Coach pitch up to 3 players per team will be asked to attend.
- 5 The DVP will notify the Managers of all players who are selected for the tryout.
- 6 The Managers of each player will then notify the player and parent of the selection.
- 7 Player Agent shall organize and run the tryouts. DVP's shall assist the Player Agent in obtaining volunteers to assist during the tryout.
- 8 Those candidates who have asked to be considered as the All Star Manager, the President, the Player Agent, and the Chief Umpire, respective division DVP's, and coaching coordinator. Only one voter per person. will be asked to attend the tryout, to evaluate and vote on the players attending. They shall vote on what they consider to be the top 8 players. **JUNIORS DIVISION:** All managers will be asked to evaluate the candidates at the tryout as well as those listed above.
- 9 Votes shall be tabulated by neutral members of the Board of Directors. Results shall be sealed until the next Board meeting, where the results shall be opened and approved.
- 10 The top eight players shall automatically be asked to become members of the All Star Team. In the case of ties for the eighth spot, the Board reserves the right to select the last player.
- 11 The next 12 players shall be made available to the All Star Manager to select from to fill out the team roster, up to the maximum allowed by Little League.
- 12 Once the top 20 players have been selected, the Manager shall be notified as to the top eight players and the next 12 available to select from, in the order of total votes received.
 The manager shall select and declare the remainder of his roster before the Board, when presented with the list of players.
 Once the Manager begins contacting the players, should anyone not be available, the Manager may select additional players as needed to fill his roster, (from the original list provided). The Manager MUST work with and notify the Player Agent of the reason for the change of roster. The BOARD grants the authority to the Player Agent to approve / disapprove the changes requested by the manager. Should changes become necessary, the Player Agent is required to inform the board of the changes. A meeting of the BOARD is not required, email is sufficient.
- 13 The tryouts for the Juniors Division is to determine those players who need to be evaluated. Any player in the Juniors Division may be selected to the All Star team, whether or not they attended the evaluations. All players must be voted on as stated above.

17.04

Tryouts for District Teams may be held at any time.

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Tryouts (if held) for International Teams shall be held as per Little League guidelines, (currently June 15th.)

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Uniforms:

WBLL will provide a jersey, hat, socks, and belt for each player.

Each parent will be asked to pay a uniform fee to help offset the cost of the All Star uniforms, the amount of which shall be determined by the Board. Parents are responsible for purchasing game pants as designated by the Board.

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- 766 **17.07** Gifts WBLL may provide a gift to each player on the Spring District tournament teams and the
 767 Spring All Star teams.
- 768 **17.08** Banquet An All Star banquet will be held in September recognizing the prior Spring season players. The
 769 location of the banquet will be determined by the Board. Each player will be provided with a
 770 free meal. Parents, siblings, other family members, and family guests will be charged a
 771 nominal fee for their meals.
- 772 **18.00** Disciplinary Actions:
 773 In order for the WBLL Board of Directors to take any action regarding a disciplinary matter for a manager, coach, player, or parent, the following
 774 must occur:
- 775 1 A Disciplinary form must be filled out and submitted to the respective divisional DVP. The DVP must
 776 notify the Player Agent, the Coaching Coordinator, the Safety Officer, or the President of the League
 777 depending upon the situation and the individual involved.
 - 778 2 After notification of the disciplinary matter, the information will be forwarded to the Judicial Committee for
 779 review and action. The Judicial Committee must make every effort to meet prior to the next scheduled
 780 game when possible.
 - 781 3 After the Judicial Committee has investigated the matter it will schedule a hearing with the parties involved
 782 and recommend action to the Board of Directors.
 - 783 4 In extreme circumstances a member of the Executive Committee may suspend a player, umpire, coach,
 784 manager or volunteer until the Judicial Committee meets to review the case.
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- 787 **19.00** Umpire Gift Certificates: WBLL will provide at the end of each season gift certificates for those persons who have volunteered and
 788 been scheduled by the Chief Umpire, to umpire games. The Chief Umpire shall keep records of individuals
 789 who have umpired, and the number of games umpired.
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- 791 **20.00** Opening day The Vice-President shall be in charge of the Opening Day Committee.
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- 793 **21.00 GENERAL RULES:**
- 794 1 No Managers / Coaches / Players may take soft toss or pepper drills against field fencing or batting cages. Managers and Coaches must
 795 pay attention to this rule and prevent the destruction of the field fencing.
 - 796 2 All players using the batting cages must wear a helmet
 - 797 3 No one is allowed to use the batting cages unsupervised.
 - 798 4 A player that leaves a game for any reason other than injury (determined by the Chief Umpire) will be recorded as an out the next time
 799 the player is scheduled to bat. This rule applies to ejected players. Teams will be charged with one only per player each time they
 800 come up in the batting order.
 - 801 5 **TIME LIMIT:**
 802 Game time limits shall be imposed as listed below. There will be **no new innings** started during regular season after the
 803 time limits listed below. Time limits may be altered or changed for tournaments as directed by the Board of Directors. If
 804 the inning has started, it may finish beyond the time limit. Games shall only be finished if by completing the inning the
 805 outcome of the game may change (if the home team is ahead or the either team has no chance of winning (for example -
 806 using the Little League 5 run rule) - the bottom half of inning need not be played. A new inning begins when the 3rd out
 807 is made at the end of the last 1/2 inning. If an inning can not be completed due to the drop dead time limit, the score shall
 808 revert back to the last full inning played. The home team need not play if they are ahead.
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| | No new Inning | Drop Dead |
| 811 Tee Ball | 1 hr | 1hr 15min |
| 812 Coach Pitch | 1hr 15min | 1hr 30min |
| 813 Minors | 1hr 15min | 1hr 30min |
| 814 Majors | 1hr 45min | 2 hr |
| 815 Juniors | 1hr 45min | 2 hr |
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 818 * Any division playing in an interleague format will follow District 7 rules regarding time limits.
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- 820 6 No Manager or Coach is allowed to warm up a pitcher. Any player warming up the pitcher must as a minimum wear a catchers mask,
 821 and cup.
 - 822 7 All Managers and Coaches must adhere to Little League Pitch Count Rules.
 - 823 8 No player may sit the bench for 2 consecutive innings unless rule #38 applies. Excludes Juniors division.
 - 824 9 Majors division and below: Continuous batting order will be utilized, during regular season. Juniors division may elect the
 825 continuous batting order or bat 9 players with substitutions.
 - 826 10 Any division playing under interleague rules, will adhere to all interleague rules.
 - 827 11 Due to safety reasons, only players, managers, coaches, team parents, or approved volunteers are allowed in the dugout or on the field.
 828 No player is allowed on the field during practice or game whose parents have not filled out a registration form. Siblings and friends are
 829 not permitted in the dugout.
 - 830 12 Prior to the first game or practice the Manager and Coaches utilizing the field must remove the counties "slide over bases" and install
 831 the breakaway bases provided by the League. The last team to use the field must remove the breakaway bases, place them in the
 832 equipment store room, and install the counties "slide over bases."
 - 833 13 It is the responsibility of the Manager, Coach, and Umpires to ensure that the equipment room is locked whenever they are done using
 834 the room.

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- 835 14 Each team is responsible for emptying the recycle bins located in the dugout after each practice and game.
836 15 Every Friday night, the Managers of the minors division are responsible for placing the large recycle bins at the entrance to the park so
837 that they can be emptied on Saturday morning.
838 16 Every Saturday morning the Tee Ball Managers are responsible for bringing the large recycle bins back to the storage area (after they
839 are emptied)
840 17 During the regular season, teams are permitted to start and complete a game at any time with only eight players present. The location
841 of the eight players on the field will be left to the discretion of the team Manager involved. **The position of catcher must be one of**
842 **the positions selected.** Managers are permitted to insert late arriving players at the bottom of the order at the completion of any half
843 inning. Inability to field the minimum amount of players (8) will result in forfeiture of the game. **The "ninth" batting slot shall be**
844 **recorded as an out. No Majors' or Juniors' division teams may be considered as the leagues "strong team" representative**
845 **with a roster of less than 9 players.**
846 18 The name allowed on the back of the jersey will be the last name of the player, in standard 2" letters.
847 19 All requests for refunds must be made in writing or email and forwarded to the treasurer for handling. There will be a minimum
848 \$10.00 charge as a processing fee for any refunds. No refunds will be given after uniforms have been handed out to the player.
849 20 No batter is allowed to commit the "butcher boy" play at the plate. This play is where the batter shows bunt and then swings at the
850 ball. The penalty for violating this rule is the batter being called out and base runners cannot advance. Excludes Juniors and above.
851 21 **Mercy Rule:** If after (4) innings, (3-1/2) innings if the home team is ahead, one team has a lead of (10) runs or more, the Manager of
852 the team with the least runs shall concede the victory to the opponent. Note: If the visiting team has a lead of (10) runs or more, the
853 home team must bat in its half of the inning. This rule is for Minors and Majors division. Coach pitch shall be governed in the same
854 manner with a (20) run or more lead. Junior division is 5th inning.
855 22 An Official game is a game played after 4 full innings for majors division and below, or the home team is ahead after 3-1/2 innings (5
856 or 4 -1/2 for juniors and above).
857 23 Rainouts: It is up to the Managers of both teams to reschedule the game with the DVP. The DVP must work with the Chief Umpire to
858 reschedule umpires.
859 24 No game may be played without an umpire.
860 25 It is the responsibility of the Manager and Coaches to know and understand the "Official Regulations and Playing Rules", WBLL
861 division rules, and WBLL by laws. **Ignorance of the rules shall not be a valid excuse for any rules violation.**
862 26 Regular season games may end in a tie. Tournament games must be played until a winner is declared.
863 27 In the event spectators become unruly and exhibit behavior detrimental to the league sportsmanship objectives, the Chief Umpire will
864 issue a warning to both Managers, who will in turn inform their parents/spectators of the Chief Umpire's ability to suspend the game if
865 the conduct does not improve. The Chief Umpire can eject the Manager if he is not attempting to control, or if he is unable to get
866 control of the parents / spectators. Notice of such suspension will be forwarded to the DVP and then addressed by the Executive and
867 Disciplinary Committees.
868 28 Any player who pitches in a game must adhere to Little League rules to play the position of catcher. The intent of this rule is to follow
869 Little League International rules. If LL rules change, WBLL may change their rules to comply.
870 29 WBLL will adhere to ALL pitch count rules.
871 30 The Home team occupies the 3rd base dugout and is responsible for maintaining the official scorebook. The Visiting team occupies the
872 1st base dugout and is responsible for maintaining the official pitch count record for the game.
873 31 A Manager, Coach or Player who is ejected from a game shall leave the vicinity of the playing area immediately and is prohibited from
874 further contact with the team and officials during the remainder of the game. An ejected Manager, Coach or Player must leave the park.
875 Failure to comply with this rule will result in a game forfeiture and further disciplinary action.
876 32 A player shall be given 1 warning for "throwing" the bat. That warning shall also be considered a team warning. Should players
877 continue to "throw" the bat after the warning, the umpire may declare the batter out.
878 33 WBLL has zero tolerance for sports rage. Any person that threatens to attack or physically attacks another individual will be ejected
879 from the park and a criminal trespass order will be requested through police authorities to prohibit that individual's further entry. This
880 type of conduct has no place within our youth sports program and offenders will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
881 34 Use of an ineligible pitcher is not grounds for a game forfeiture. The ineligible pitcher is to be removed, and penalties will be imposed
882 as the Board directs.
883 35 Suspended games due to rain, darkness or other occurrence that are not official shall be considered a "no-game". Suspended games
884 after the 4th inning, are completed games and will go to the team leading at the end of the last completed inning. In the case of
885 pitchers, WBLL shall comply with Little League rules regarding pitcher of record, and pitch counts for games that are suspended prior
886 to game being completed. Even if a game is considered a "no-game" pitching records must be kept.
887 36 Coach Pitch and Minors division - A five-run limit is to be imposed, which would complete the half inning. **THIS RULE IS TO**
888 **COMPLY WITH LITTLE LEAGUE RULES.**
889 37 No Manager or Coach may drop a player from his or her team roster under any circumstance without prior approval of the DVP and the
890 Board of Directors.
891 38 Managers may discipline any player by not permitting said player to play in a game, provided that the player/parent is notified and the
892 DVP approves the action at least 24 hours prior to a game. Such disciplinary action should require that the player attend the game in
893 uniform and, "sit the bench". This type of discipline would include but not limited to excessive absences from practices, fighting, poor
894 sportsmanship, disrespect and vulgarity. Should this action be taken, the manager of the opposing team and the Chief Umpire shall be
895 notified prior to the starting of the game. If during the game a player requires discipline, the manager must inform the plate umpire that
896 39 Although Little League currently only requires that players in the position of catcher wear a protective cup, it shall be the policy of
897 WBLL that all players, regardless of position, shall wear a protective cup as per Little League guidelines for catchers.
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CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

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901 To avoid a conflict of interest between WBLL and any other baseball program it shall be the policy of WBLL that any
902 WBLL member, who is also a member of the Board of Directors of any other baseball program, SHALL not be allowed to
903 be a member of the West Boynton Beach Board of Directors.

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be a member the west boynton beach board of directors.

22.00 All regular season games in all divisions within West Boynton Little League will be played in accordance with the rules of Little League baseball, Inc. These rules can be found in the rulebooks specific to each division that is distributed to each team at the beginning of the season. To enhance the enjoyment of the game of our players, WBLL has adopted the following local division rules.

22.01 TEE BALL PLAYING RULES:

- 1 All Teams shall use continuous batting order. The batting order should change weekly to allow every player a chance to bat in a different positions in the batting order.
- 2 Each team shall bat once through the order. Each team has the right to bat an equal number of players. The team with the fewest players may bat through their lineup plus additional players to equal the number of batters on the opposing team.
- 3 The half (1/2) inning shall be complete when any of the following conditions are met:
 - a Five runs (5) runs have been scored by the team at bat
 - b Three outs have been made by the defensive team
 - c The team at bat has batted through the batting order as per rule #2 above.
- 3 A maximum of five (5) runs scored or three (3) outs will constitute completion of a half inning. Based upon current Little League guidelines.
- 4 A regulation game will consist of six (6) innings. No new inning will start after one hour. Drop dead is one hour and fifteen (15) minutes. See Section 18.5
- 5 All players must be rotated to a different position each inning. All players shall play infield and outfield.
- 6 There will be no standings or records kept during the regular season. Seeding for any tournament shall be by random selection.

22.02 COACH PITCH PLAYING RULES

PLAYING RULES:

- 1 A regulation game will consist of six (6) innings. No new inning will start after one hour and fifteen (15) minutes. Drop dead is one hour and thirty (30) minutes. See Section 21.5
- 2 Score and standings will be maintained in the spring recreation season
- 3 A maximum of five (5) runs scored or three (3) outs will constitute a half inning. Based upon current Little League guidelines.
- 4 The batting order will be continuous, containing all players attending the game.
- 5 There will be a pitcher, catcher, four infielders and four outfielder permitted on the field at one time.
- 6 Play will stop when the defensive player holds the runners on base. Once all running has stopped, the defensive player may request timeout. The timeout will be given at the discretion of the umpire.
- 7 One base maximum on overthrows to 1st and 3rd base. Runners may not advance on an "overthrow" on a defensive play. Players should be encouraged to attempt to make the proper defensive play to develop basic skills. Two consecutive overthrow advancements are not in affect.
 - * If a runner is approaching 1st and the ball is over thrown, the runner can advance to 2nd, however the runner must stop at 2nd even if the ball is thrown to 2nd and over thrown once again
 - * If a runner is approaching 3rd and the ball is over thrown, the runner would be granted home however all other base runners would only be allowed to advance one base.
- 8 Runners on base may not advance to the next base until the ball is hit. Base stealing is not allowed.
- 9 Bunting is not allowed.
- 10 Sliding is permitted if the player slides feet first only. Headfirst slides will result in an automatic out.

PUTTING THE BALL IN PLAY:

- 1 Coach/pitcher will deliver OVERHAND, no arc (as flat as possible) pitches.
- 2 The batter will receive a maximum of five (5) pitches. The 3-strike rule will be in affect. If the ball hasn't been hit in play after the fifth pitch, he/she is called out. There will be no walks. The coach/pitcher is on the field to pitch only and may not interfere with play, or direct or assist in the play of the game. If the batted ball hits the coach/pitcher, the ball is considered live and still in play.
- 3 A player gets unlimited last pitch foul balls.

FIELDING POSITIONS:

- 1 Pitcher stands three (3) feet to either side of the coach/pitcher or within an eight (8) feet radius of the 40 feet pitching rubber used in higher divisions. The pitching distance will be 36 feet.
 - * The defensive pitcher must wear a masked batting helmet at all times
- 2 Catcher wears all league issued equipment and MUST wear a protective cup.
- 3 Outfielders must stand at least 3 feet behind the clay infield lines.
- 4 Infielders must be positioned on the clay.
- 5 A player is allowed to play a maximum of two innings per game at any one position.
- 6 No player will be benched for more than 2 innings and cannot be benched for 2 consecutive innings. See General rule 38 for exception.
- 7 Each player must play a minimum of 2 different infield positions per game pending a full 6-inning game. In addition, each player must play a minimum of 1 infield position within the first 3 innings. Basic breakdown is every kid must play the infield once every 3 innings.
- 8 Each player must play a minimum of 1 outfield position before the start of the 5th inning.

COACHING

- 1 There will be 3 coaches allowed on the field when on offense. Coaching positioning will consist of a first (1) base coach, a third (3)

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- 973 base coach and the pitching coach.
974 * The pitching coach will assist in coaching the opponent's defensive pitcher
975 2 There will be 3 coaches allowed on the field when on defense. Coaching positioning will consist of a left field coach, located near the
976 clay infield/outfield line, right field coach located near the clay infield/outfield line and a coach behind the plate. The outfield coaches
977 will give verbal direction to all players and the home plate coach should remain quiet when a batter is in the box.
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22.03 MINORS DIVISION PLAYING RULES

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980 1 The Minors Division shall play by the current Little League "Official Regulations and Playing Rules",
981 2 All tournaments played within the division shall use REGULAR season playing rules.
982 3 Continuous batting order will be utilized.
983 4 Little League rules and regulations regarding pitch counts will be observed in both Fall and Spring season. Managers are to report
984 pitchers and pitch count to the DVP, as per DVP instructions.
985 5 See section 21.5 for game time limits.
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22.04 MAJORS DIVISION PLAYING RULES:

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988 1 The Majors Division shall play by the current Little League "Official Regulations and Playing Rules",
989 2 In the Spring season the Majors strong team shall be determined by an end of the season interleague tournament. If possible, the
990 tournament schedule should allow enough time to play a double elimination format.
991 3 Continuous batting order will be utilized during regular season.
992 4 Spring end of season tournament shall use Tournament season playing rules.
993 a If for any reason the 1st place team is **unable** to participate in the District 7 Strong Team Tournament, the runner up will
994 be sent in their place. If the runner up team is unavailable for any reason, the 3rd place team will be sent ... WBLL will
995 participate in the Division 7 Strong Team Tournament.
996 b Whichever team participates in the District 7 Strong Team Tournament, that team shall be considered the WBLL Strong
997 team winner. Only that team will be considered shall be All Star recognition.
998 5 See section 21.5 for game time limits.
999 6 Little League rules and regulations regarding pitch counts will be observed in both Fall and Spring season. Managers are to report
1000 pitchers and pitch count to the DVP, as per DVP instructions.
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22.05 JUNIORS DIVISION PLAYING RULES:

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1003 1 The Minors Division shall play by the current Little League "Official Regulations and Playing Rules",
1004 2 In the Spring season the Juniors Strong Team shall be determined by an end of the season interleague tournament. If possible, the
1005 tournament schedule should allow enough time to play a double elimination format.
1006 1 Tournament shall use Tournament season playing rules.
1007 2 Continuous batting order may be utilized, it is not required.
1008 3 If for any reason the 1st place team is unable to participate in the District 7 Strong Team Tournament, the runner up will
1009 be sent in their place. If the runner up team is unavailable for any reason, the 3rd place team will be sent ... WBLL will
1010 participate in the Division 7 Strong Team Tournament.
1011 3 Little League rules and regulations regarding pitch counts will be observed in both Fall and Spring season. Managers are to report
1012 pitchers and pitch count to the DVP, as per DVP instructions.
1013 4 Should the Juniors Division play interleague baseball, WBLL will comply and play by the rules and regulations of District 7.
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23.00 DEFINITION OF TERMS

BATTER

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1017 a) Players must keep their helmets on until they have reached the dugout.
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1019 b) A batter shall take his/her position in the batter's box promptly when it is their time to bat. The batter's legal position shall be with both feet within the batter's
1020 box. The batter shall not leave that position in the batter's box after the pitcher comes to a set position or starts a windup unless the following happens;
1021 1) the batter swings at a pitch
1022 2) the batter is forced out of the batter's box by a pitch
1023 3) a member of either team requests and is granted time
1024 4) a defensive player attempts a play on a runner at any base
1025 5) the batter feints a bunt
1026 6) a wild pitch or passed ball occurs
1027 7) an Umpire calls time
1028 c) The batter is not at liberty to step in and out of the batter's box at will. The Chief Umpire **may** grant the hitter's request for time once the hitter is in the
1029 batter's box. The hitter is allowed to place his front foot outside the batter's box and keep the other inside the batter's box. Once the Chief Umpire calls "play"
1030 and the hitter does not assume his/her position in the batter's box and delays play, the Chief Umpire will call a strike on the batter without the pitcher having to
1031 deliver a pitch. The ball will remain alive. The Chief Umpire shall award additional strikes without the pitcher having to deliver the pitch if the batter remains
1032 outside the box and further delays play once the Chief Umpire calls "play". If the batter walks out and away from the batters box the Chief Umpire, at his
1033 discretion, will call the batter out regardless of the count.
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RUNNER

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1036 Teaching base runners how and when to slide is an important part of the Coach's responsibility. Players should be instructed to slide, **avoid or evade being put**
1037 **out without violent contact** on any close play at second, third and home. It is also a Coach's responsibility to alert a player when he/or she should slide, so as to
1038 avoid either personal injury or injury to a fielder. If in the opinion of the Umpire the runner should have slid into the base to avoid excessive contact, and such
1039 contact was made, the runner will be declared out. In extreme circumstances where a runner comes into a base with cleats up to intentionally spike a defensive
1040 player or bulls over or "trucks" a defensive player the runner is out and he is to be ejected from the game and serve an additional one game suspension.

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PITCHER

- 1041
1042 a Three (3) hit batters in one inning will cause automatic removal of the pitcher. They must be charged as HBP batters by the Umpire, no exceptions.
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1044 b "Quick Returns" by a pitcher are illegal. A "Quick Return" or sometimes called a "Quick Pitch" is when a pitch is made with the obvious intent
1045 to catch a batter off balance. The first time the Chief Umpire will call the pitch a ball if it is a strike and the pitcher given a warning. If it
1046 happens again, the pitcher will be removed from the mound. The pitcher may play another defensive position.
- 1047 c Any player on a regular season team may pitch. (NOTE: There is no limit to the number of pitchers a team may use in a game.)
- 1048 d The Manager must remove the pitcher when said pitcher reaches the pitch count limit for his/her age group as required by Little League rules. The
1049 pitcher may remain in the game at another position:
- 1050 e The Managers are responsible for assuring that their scorekeepers keep an official pitch count record.
- 1051 f The scorekeepers or the visiting team must provide the current pitch count of a pitcher to the Managers and/or Umpires. However, the Manager is
1052 responsible for knowing when his/her pitcher must be removed.
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1054 The scorekeeper or the visiting team should inform the Chief Umpire when a pitcher has delivered his/her maximum limit of pitches for the game,
1055 as noted in the aforementioned rules. The Chief Umpire will inform the pitcher's Manager that the pitcher must be removed in accordance with
1056 Little League rules. However, the failure by the pitch count recorder to notify the Chief Umpire, and/or the failure of the Chief Umpire to notify the
1057 Manager, does not relieve the Manager of his/her responsibility to remove a pitcher when that pitcher is no longer eligible.

NOTES:

1058 1. The withdrawal of an ineligible pitcher after that pitcher is announced, or after a warm-up pitch is delivered, but before that player has pitched a ball to a batter,
1059 shall not be considered a violation.
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1061 **ADJUDGED** is a judgment decision by an umpire.

1062 An **APPEAL** is an act of a fielder in claiming violation of the rules by the offensive team.

1063 A **BACKSTOP** is the barrier erected behind the catcher in order to allow the catcher to retrieve passed balls easily.

1064 A **BALK** is an illegal act by the pitcher with runner or runners on base entitling all runners to **advance** one base.

1065 A **BALL** is a pitch which does not enter the strike zone and is not struck at by the batter. (NOTE: If the pitch touches the ground and bounces through the strike
1066 zone it is a "ball." If such pitch touches the batter, the batter shall be awarded first base. If the batter swings at such a pitch and misses, it is a strike.

1067 A **BASE** is one of four points which must be touched by a runner in order to score a run; more usually applied to the canvas bags and the rubber plate which mark
1068 the base points.

1069 A **BASE COACH** is a team member in uniform or one (1) adult manager or coach who is stationed in the base coach's box at first or third base to direct the
1070 batter and the runners.

1071 A **BASE ON BALLS** is an award of first base granted to batters who, during their time at bat, receive four pitches outside the strike zone.

1072 A **BATTER** is an offensive player who takes a position in the batter's box.

1073 **BATTER RUNNER** is a term that identifies the offensive player who has just finished a time at bat until that player is put out or until the play on which that
1074 player becomes a runner ends.

1075 The **BATTER'S BOX** is the area within which the batter must stand during a time at bat.

1076 The **BATTER ON DECK** is the area in front of the batter's dugout where the next batter after the one at bat prepares to enter the BATTER'S BOX.

1077 The **BATTERY** is the pitcher and the catcher.

1078 The **BATTING ORDER** is the list of current defensive players in the order in which they are to bat. Exceptions: WBLL Rules may state that the batting order
1079 may contain the entire roster of players.

1080 **BENCH** or **DUGOUT** is the seating area facilities reserved for the players, substitutes, manager and coaches when they are not properly engaged on the playing
1081 field. Guests, batboys and/or batgirls are not permitted.

1082 A **BUNT** is a batted ball not swung at, but intentionally met with the bat and tapped slowly. (Tee ball, and coach pitch: Bunts are not permitted. Batters are not
1083 permitted to take a half-swing. If the umpire feels the batter is taking a half-swing, the batter may be called back to swing again.)

1084 A **CALLED GAME** is one in which, for any reason, the umpire-in-chief terminates play.

1085 A **CATCH** is the act of a fielder in getting secure possession in the hand or glove of a ball in flight and firmly holding it before it touches the ground providing
1086 such fielder does not use a cap, protector, pocket or any other part of the uniform in getting possession. It is not a catch, however, if simultaneously or
1087 immediately following contact with the ball, the fielder collides with a player, or a wall, or if that fielder falls down, and as a result of such collision or falling,
1088 drops the ball. It is not a catch if a fielder touches a fly ball which then hits a member of the offensive team or an umpire and then is caught by another defensive
1089 player. If the fielder has made the catch and drops the ball while in the act of making a throw following the catch, the ball shall be adjudged to have been caught.
1090 In establishing the validity of the catch, the fielder shall hold the ball long enough to prove complete control of the ball and that release of the ball is voluntary and
1091 intentional. A catch is legal if the ball is finally held by any fielder, even though juggled, or held by another fielder before it touches the ground. Runners may
1092 leave their bases the instant the first fielder touches the ball.

1093 The **CATCHER** is the fielder who takes the position back of the home base.

1094 The **CATCHER'S BOX** is that area within which the catcher shall stand until the pitcher delivers the ball.

1095 A **COACH** is appointed to perform such duties as the manager may designate.

1096 A **DEAD BALL** is a ball out of play because of a legally created temporary suspension of play.

1097 The **DEFENSE** (Or DEFENSIVE) is the team, or any player of the team, in the field, not at bat.

1098 A **DOUBLE HEADER** is two regularly scheduled or rescheduled games, played in immediate succession.

1099 A **DOUBLE PLAY** is a play by the defense in which two offensive players are put out as a result of continuous action, providing there is no error between
1100 putouts.

1101 (a) A force double play is one in which both putouts are force plays.

1102 (b) A reverse force double play is one in which the first out is made at any base and the second out is made by tagging a runner who originally was
1103 forced, before the runner touches the base to which that runner was forced.

1104 **DUGOUT** (see definition of "BENCH")

1105 A **FAIR BALL** is a batted ball that settles on fair ground between home and first base, or between home and third base, or that is on or over fair territory when
1106 bounding to the outfield past first or third base, or that touches first, second or third base, or that first falls on fair territory on or beyond first base or third base, or
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1108 that, while on or over fair territory touches the person of an umpire or player, or that, while over fair territory, passes out of the playing field in flight.

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1110 *NOTE*: A fair fly shall be adjudged according to the relative position of the ball and the foul line, including the foul pole, and not as to whether the fielder is on
1111 fair or foul territory at the time such fielder touches the ball.

1112 **FAIR TERRITORY** is that part of the playing field within, and including the first base and third base lines, from home base to the bottom of the playing field
1113 fence and perpendicularly upwards. Home plate, first base and third base and all foul lines are in fair territory.

1114 A **FIELDER** is any defensive player.

1115 **FIELDER'S CHOICE** is the act of a fielder who handles a fair grounder and, instead of throwing it to first base to put out the batter-runner, throws to another
1116 base in an attempt to put out a preceding runner. The term is also used by scorers (a) to account for the advance of the batter-runner who takes one or more extra
1117 bases when the fielder who handles the safe hit attempts to put out a preceding runner; (b) to account for the advance of a runner (other than by stolen base or
1118 error) while a fielder is attempting to put out another runner; and (c) to account for the advance of a runner made solely because of the defensive team's
1119 indifference. (Undeclared steal).

1120 A **FLY BALL** is a batted ball that goes high in the air in flight.

1121 A **FORCE PLAY** is a play in which a runner legally loses the right to occupy a base by reason of the batter becoming a runner. (*NOTE*: Confusion regarding this
1122 play is removed by remembering that frequently the "force" situation is removed during the play. Example: Runner on first, one out, ground ball hit sharply to first
1123 baseman, which touches the base and the batter-runner, is out. The force is removed at that moment and the runner advancing to second must be tagged. If there
1124 had been a runner at second or third, and either of these runners scored before the tag-out at second, the run(s) would count. Had the first baseman thrown to
1125 second and the ball had been returned to first, the play at second would have been a force-out, making two outs, and the return throw to first would have made the
1126 third out. In that case, no run would score.)

1127 A **FORFEITED GAME** is a game declared ended by the Chief Umpire in favor of the offended team by the score of 6 to 0, (7-0 Junior/Senior/Big League) for
1128 violation of the rules.

1129 A **FOUL BALL** is a batted ball that settles on foul territory between home and first base, or between home and third base, or that bounds past first or third base
1130 on or over foul territory, or that first falls on foul territory beyond first or third base, or that while on or over foul territory, touches the person of an umpire or
1131 player, or any object foreign to the natural ground.

1132 *NOTE (1)*: A foul fly shall be judged according to the relative position of the ball and the foul line, including the foul pole and not as to whether
1133 the fielder is on foul or fair territory at the time that fielder touches the ball.

1134 *NOTE (2)*: In Tee Ball, the ball is foul if it travels less than 15 feet in fair territory from home plate. The ball is also foul if the batter hits the tee
1135 with the bat

1136 **FOUL TERRITORY** is that part of the playing field outside the first and third base lines extended to the fence and perpendicularly upwards.

1137 A **FOUL TIP** is a batted ball that goes sharp and direct from the bat to the catcher's hands and is legally caught. It is not a foul tip unless caught and any foul tip
1138 that is caught is a strike, and the ball is in play. It is not a catch if it is a rebound, unless the ball has first touched the catcher's glove or hand.

1139 A **GROUND BALL** is a batted ball that rolls or bounces close to the ground.

1140 The **HOME TEAM** is the team which takes the field first at the start of the game.

1141 **ILLEGAL** (or **ILLEGALLY**) is contrary to these rules.

1142 An **ILLEGAL PITCH** is (1) a pitch delivered to the batter when the pitcher does not have the pivot foot in contact with the pitcher's plate; (2) a quick return
1143 pitch, or any other act meeting the criteria established with runners on base a balk will be declared.

1144 An **ILLEGALLY BATTED BALL** is one hit by the batter with one or both feet on the ground entirely outside the batter's box.

1145 **INELIGIBLE PITCHER** - See Little League rules.

1146 **INELIGIBLE PLAYER** - Applies to regular season violations of regulations regarding league age, residence (as defined by Little League Baseball, Inc) and
1147 participation on the proper team within the Local League.

1148 An **INFIELDER** is a fielder who occupies a position in the infield.

1149 An **INFIELD FLY** is a fair fly ball (not including a line drive or an attempted bunt) which can be caught by an infielder with ordinary effort, when first and
1150 second, or first, second and third bases are occupied, before two are out. The pitcher, catcher and any outfielder stationed in the infield on the play shall be
1151 considered infielders for the purpose of this rule. When it seems apparent that a batted ball will be an Infield Fly, the umpire shall immediately declare "Infield
1152 Fly" for the benefit of the runners. If the ball is near the baseline, the umpire shall declare "Infield Fly if Fair." The ball is alive and runners may advance at the
1153 risk of that ball being caught, or retouch and advance after the ball is touched, the same as on any fly ball. If the hit becomes a foul ball, it is treated the same as

1154 *NOTE (1)*: If a declared Infield Fly is allowed to fall untouched to the ground, and bounces foul and remains foul before passing first or third base,
1155 it is a foul ball. If declared Infield Fly falls untouched to the ground, outside the baseline, and bounces fair before passing first or third base, it is an
1156 Infield Fly.

1157 *NOTE (2)*: The Infield Fly Rule does not apply in Tee Ball or Coach Pitch.

1158 **IN FLIGHT** describes a batted, thrown, or pitched ball which has not yet touched the ground or some object other than a fielder. If the pitch touches the ground
1159 and bounces through the strike zone, without being struck at by the batter, it is a "ball." If such a pitch touches the batter, that batter shall be awarded first base. If
1160 the batter hits such a pitch, the ensuing action shall be the same as if the ball was hit in flight.

1161 **IN JEOPARDY** is a term indicating that the ball is in play and an offensive player may be put out.

1162 An **INNING** is that portion of a game within which the teams alternate on offense and defense and in which there are three putouts for each team. Each team's
1163 time at bat is a half-inning. It will be held that an inning starts the moment the third out is made completing the preceding inning.

1164 **INTERFERENCE**: (a) Offensive interference is an act by a member of the team at bat which interferes with, obstructs, impedes, hinders or confuses any fielder
1165 attempting to make a play. If the umpire declares the batter, batter-runner or a runner out for interference, all other runners shall return to the last base that was, in
1166 the judgment of the umpire, legally touched at the time of the interference, unless otherwise provided by these rules. (b) Defensive interference is an act by a
1167 fielder which hinders or prevents a batter from hitting a pitch. (c) Umpire's interference occurs (1) when an umpire hinders, impedes or prevents a catcher's throw
1168 attempting to prevent a stolen base, or (2) when a fair ball touches an umpire on fair territory before passing a fielder. (d) Spectator interference occurs when a
1169 spectator reaches out of the stands or goes on the playing field, and touches a live ball. (e) On any interference the ball is dead.

1170 The **LEAGUE** is a group of teams who play each other in a pre-arranged schedule under these rules for the league championship.

1171 **LEGAL** (or **LEGALLY**) is in accordance with these rules.

1172 A **LINE DRIVE** is a batted ball that goes sharp and direct from the bat to a fielder without touching the ground.

1173 A **LIVE BALL** is a ball which is in play.

1174 The **MANAGER** is a person appointed by the president to be responsible for the team's actions on the field, and to represent the team in communications with the
1175 umpire and the opposing team. (a) The manager shall always be responsible for the team's conduct, observance of the official rules and deference to the umpires.

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1176 (b) If a manager leaves the field, that manager shall designate a coach as a substitute and such substitute manager shall have the duties, rights and responsibilities
1177 of the manager.

1178 **OBSTRUCTION** is the act of a fielder who, while not in possession of the ball, impedes the progress of any runner. A fake tag is considered obstruction.
1179 (NOTE: Obstruction shall be called on a defensive player who blocks off a base, base line or home plate from a base runner while not in possession of the ball.)

1180 **OFFENSE** is the team, or any player of the team, at bat.

1181 **OFFICIAL RULES.** The rules contained in this book.

1182 **OFFICIAL SCORER.** That person who maintains the official records of the game.

1183 **ON DECK.** The area outside of the dugout where the next batter to bat warms up. NO on deck batters are permitted in Little League.

1184 An **OUT** is one of the three required retirements of an offensive team during its time at bat.

1185 The **OUTFIELD** is that portion of the field in fair territory which is normally covered by outfielders.

1186 An **OUTFIELDER** is a fielder who occupies a position in the outfield, which is the area of the playing field most distant from home base.

1187 **OVERSLIDE** (or **OVERSLIDING**) is the act of an offensive player when the slide to a base, other than when advancing from home to first base, is with such
1188 momentum that the player loses contact with the base.

1189 A **PENALTY** is the application of these rules following an illegal act.

1190 The **PERSON** of a player or an umpire is any part of the body, clothing or equipment.

1191 A **PITCH** is a ball delivered to the batter by the pitcher.

1192 A **PITCHER** is the fielder designated to deliver the pitch to the batter.

1193 The Pitcher's **PIVOT FOOT** is that foot which is in contact with the pitcher's plate as the pitch is delivered.

1194 "**PLAY**" is the umpire's order to start the game or to resume action following any dead ball.

1195 A **QUICK RETURN** is a pitch made with obvious intent to catch a batter off balance. It is an illegal pitch.

1196 **REGULATION GAME.** See Little League Rules.

1197 A **RETOUCH** is the act of a runner returning to a base as legally required.

1198 A **RUN** (or **SCORE**) is the score made by an offensive player who advances from batter to runner and touches first, second, third and home bases in that order.

1199 A **RUNDOWN** is the act of the defense in an attempt to put out a runner between bases.

1200 A **RUNNER** is an offensive player who is advancing toward, or touching, or returning to any base.

1201 "**SAFE**" is a declaration by the umpire that a runner is entitled to the base for which that runner was trying.

1202 **SET POSITION** is one of the two legal pitching positions.

1203 A **STRIKE** is a legal pitch which meets any of these conditions :

1204 (a) is struck at by the batter and is missed;

1205 (b) is not struck at, if any part of the ball passes through any part of the strike zone;

1206 (c) is fouled by the batter when there is less than two strikes;

1207 (d) is bunted foul (batter is out and ball is dead, if batter bunts foul on third strike);

1208 (e) touches the batter's person as the batter strikes at it (dead ball);

1209 (f) touches the batter in flight in the strike zone; or

1210 (g) becomes a foul tip (ball is live and in play).

1211 The **STRIKE ZONE** is that space over home plate which is between the batter's armpits and the top of the knees when the batter assumes a natural stance. The
1212 umpire shall determine the strike zone according to the batter's usual stance when that batter swings at a pitch.

1213 A **SUSPENDED GAME** is a called game which is to be completed at a later date.

1214 A **TAG** is the action of a fielder in touching a base with the body while holding the ball securely and firmly in the hand or glove; or touching a runner with the ball
1215 or with the hand or glove holding the ball, while holding the ball securely and firmly in the hand or glove.

1216 A **THROW** is the act of propelling the ball with the hand and arm to a given objective and is to be always distinguished from the pitch.

1217 A **TIE GAME** is a regulation game which is called when each team has the same number of runs.

1218 "**TIME**" is the announcement by the umpire of a legal interruption of play, during which the ball is dead.

1219 **TOUCH.** To touch a player or umpire is to touch any part of the player or umpire's body, clothing or equipment.

1220 A **TRIPLE PLAY** is a play by the defense in which three offensive players are put out as a result of continuous action, providing there is no error between
1221 putouts.

1222 A **WILD PITCH** is one so high, or low, or wide of the plate that it cannot be handled with ordinary effort by the catcher.

1223 **WIND-UP-POSITION** is one of the two legal pitching positions.

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Approval of By - Laws

The BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WEST BOYNTON LITTLE LEAGUE hereby adopts the listed By-Laws as a guide for the running of WBLL for the Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 Season. Should changes in the By-Laws become necessary during the Fall 2009 - Spring 2010 season, the BOARD may make changes with approval of a 2/3 majority vote of the BOARD. Changes to the By-Laws should only be made in extraordinary circumstances; i.e. to correct mistakes, clarify articles, and to ensure safety. It is the intent of the BOARD, that changes shall not be made for convenience.

It is the responsibility of the Secretary to ensure that all members of the BOARD receive a copy of the approved BY-LAWS. The President shall ensure that a copy of the BY-LAWS is maintained in the Press Box. The DVP's will ensure the all Managers (at a minimum) receive a copy of the BY-LAWS. All Managers must sign a statement sheet that they have received a copy of the BY-LAWS, and the sheet shall be turned in the President prior to the first game being played. Sending the BY-LAWS to each Manager by E-mail is an acceptable way to provide a copy of the BY-LAWS. The Secretary shall provide a copy to any member upon request, again E-Mail is acceptable.

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