



LEHI CITY

RECREATION

2022 Pony Baseball Rules

7th-8th Grade

Game Time

1 hour 45 minutes for the regular season and for tournament.

Bat Rules

Players are allowed to use up to a 2-3/4" diameter barrel bat. For Pony league the max drop bat size is -5. If a bat is 2-1/4" diameter barrel, there are no weight restrictions. Wooden bats are allowed. All bats must be compliant with the **current** USSSA restricted bat list. No retooled bats will be allowed. The restricted list can be found at www.quickscores.com/lehi.

Line Up

Game clock will start at the scheduled game time. If line ups are not turned in, one run will be added to the opposing team's score every minute that expires. If a game goes over the allotted time then we want to start the next game within 5 minutes.

Batting

During season play coaches are required to bat everyone and play everyone. **No exceptions!!** During post season tournament play, Lehi will follow the rules as per the U.B.B.A. State Tournament rules.

Base Running/Stealing

The Pony league will play with lead offs and pick offs for regular season and tournament play. This will also continue for U.B.B.A. State tournament play. Balks can be called in this league. Running on dropped third strikes will be allowed for the Pony league. In this scenario, 1st base cannot be occupied with less than two outs but can be occupied if there are already two outs.

Extra Innings

No extra innings will be played during the regular season. Games can end in a tie. No new inning will begin after time has expired. This is for season play only.

Mercy Rule

For all leagues, if a team is leading its opponent by 12 runs after 3 innings, 10 runs after 4 innings, or 8 runs after 5 innings, the team in the lead will be declared the winner.

Penalties

Any team failing to field at least 9 players will be assessed an out in the batting order for each missing player at the place designated by the coach (before the game starts). Game will be declared a forfeit if a team cannot field at least 7 players.

Pitching

Pitchers are allowed 24 outs per week. If a pitcher throws 1 more pitch than 12 outs then that pitcher cannot pitch again until 1 full calendar day's rest. Pony pitchers can throw a max of 21 outs in one day. Pitchers are allowed 5 warm-up pitches. We will try and start every new inning within 2 minutes from the last out.

Metal cleats are not allowed at all on the pitching mounds. Pitchers must wear rubber cleats, turf shoes, or gym shoes while pitching on the portable mounds. No exceptions!!!!

Pitching Charts

All coaches are required to sign the pitching chart after their game has been completed. If it is not signed it becomes official with what the scorekeeper has recorded. All pitching must be reported to the tower.

Infield Fly

The infield fly rule can be called in all leagues. However, it is completely up to the discretion of the umpire in all age groups. All umpire decisions are final.

THE HOME TEAM WILL TAKE THE 3RD BASE DUGOUT.